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**Ian Aberbach** and **Jinjia Li\*** (jli32@syr.edu), Department of Mathematics, 215 Carnegie, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244. *Vanishing conditions which force regularity in local rings of prime characteristic.*

Let  $(R, k)$  be a local ring of positive prime characteristic. We show that under mild conditions, if a free resolution of  $k$  has stably phantom homology at the  $i$ th spot for some  $i > 0$ , then  $R$  is a regular local ring. Consequently, if  $R$  is an excellent local domain and  $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, R^+) = 0$  for some  $i > 0$ , then  $R$  is regular (where  $R^+$  is the absolute integral closure of  $R$ ). Both of the two results were previously known only for  $i = 1$  or  $2$  via completely different methods. An improved version of a recent result of Bridgeland and Iyenyar (in the positive characteristic case) also follows from this. (Received September 18, 2007)