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Dear Mr. Coleman,

As we discussed briefly, KCET's "BY THE YEAR 2000" series has had a program on "Family Diversity" on the burner for some time. Staffing changes, the Persian Gulf crisis and the very nature of television have conspired to push "Family Diversity," among other stories, down the schedule. NOW is the time, and am I couldn't be more grateful that you and your project exist.

I hope that the producer and research staff assigned to "Family Diversity" can mine the wealth of information that you have amassed over the last three years. I can't imagine doing this project without your cooperation and the contacts you have developed among both the political infrastructure and those people who represent the extraordinary number of diverse families affected.

The political storm that other media tell me is brewing on the horizon can only serve to expand public debate and create much more watchable television in the process...a goal we both share. Informing the public on issues of such fundamental and far reaching importance is KCET's mandate, and would seem to coincide with the interests of Spectrum Institute.

I know you read the papers too, and must be aware of the financial throes PBS and KCET are going through at the moment. While co-production grants and similar arrangements have been possible in certain past instances, they are not even a subject of discussion at this point. However, if I can be of personal help in locating or expediting grants from other sources, you have only to ask.

My sincere thanks for your efforts on behalf of family diversity in general and for your anticipated cooperation on "Family Diversity" in particular.

Very truly yours,


Trace Percy
Coordinating Producer