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Dear Dr. Lonsdale:

The four maps arrived safely here. The drafting is very well done. My impression is that the line work and general appearance of these maps is much better than previous work done by the Bureau draftsmen. So please convey Mr. Macon my appreciation and thanks for his efforts.

It would be practically impossible for me to check the maps without reference to the original photographs. So I wish to propose that you send me the photographs that cover the easternmost of the maps. After I have checked these I would return them and the next set could be send to me. Or, if you prefer you might send all the photographs for the four maps in one bundle.

Whether or not Shell Oil Company would support this proposal I can not predict, but I would be glad to advocate it strongly. However, I believe the right time to make this proposal would be when the maps are all finished and ready to go into printing. I have the impression that when the drafting of these maps is finished, they will look very impressive; Hence it would then be much easier to persuade the Shell Oil Company to help you financially. So it would be well to push this drafting job more vigorously.

My health is very much improved; I am now able to travel. My work is doing fine; there is good reason to believe publications will come out of some of the work. Please give my regards to the Bureau staff.

V ery truly yours,