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Thomas A. Mutch, Chairman
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Dear Dr. Mutsch:

Your letter of August 6, 1968, has been received some time ago. I also received your telephone message two days ago. I apologize for the long delay. It is because I am no longer in good health and take an inordinate amount of time to get simple things done.

Bill Berggren was one of my students at the University of Houston. He was the best of the lot. Outstanding was his unlagging interest in geology and ability to work under difficult conditions. He used to be a lab technician at Shell Development Company until 5 p.m. every day, then he would show up at the University of Houston to take classes or to teach as a graduate assistant. An unbelievable workload which he handled without ill effects. It makes me think he will be able to handle the additional work load you have in mind for him.

He has done a good deal of publishing on planctonic foraminifera and is considered an expert in that line. His work is much admired locally by our micropaleontology professor.

He has a good neutral personality and does not get into intrafaculty fights. He seems to be quite ethical in his work and publications. I have great confidence in him and hope he does not get overloaded.

T. A. Mutch

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He has my full support in his present application for a part-time visiting professorship.

With best regards and apologies.

Sincerely yours,

H.B. Stenzel
Visiting Professor

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