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Dear Dr. Stenzel,

I Have recently received for identification a lot of oysters (Crassostrea sp.) from the Caribbean coast of Colombia, S.A. I have tentatively determined them to be C. rhizophora Guilding, using for reference McLean 1951 and Warmke & Abbott, 1961. However I have no literature dealing directly with the Colombian fauna and, as a correct identification is of some importance, I would appreciate your examining the specimens for me.

I originally contacted Dr. J.P.E. Morrison of the USNM with this request. He referred me to you, stating that he felt you to be much better qualified to answer such a request. Please advise me whether you will agree to examine the specimens and I will forward them by return mail.

Sincerely,

William G. Lyons

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