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Dr. H.B. Stenzel  
C/O Bureau of Economic Geology  
Austin, Texas

Dear Doctor Stenzel:

We are pleased to acknowledge your letter of January 12, advising us of your decision to join our staff on February 1st. In accordance with the program tentatively discussed at the time of your last visit in Houston it is our plan to assign to you a field problem in the Balcones Fault zone, recognizing that for some months at least this assignment will occupy the greater portion of your time.

We expect, however, that from time to time it will be desirable for you to assist us in paleontological, and possibly other problems elsewhere and we would appreciate it if you would plan to come to Houston on February 1st for a further discussion of details of the assignment and final arrangements for your taking the field.

We confirm that your salary is to be \$275.00 per month. Your headquarters will be officially designated as San Antonio and you will be entitled to actual expenses when your assignment requires your absence from these headquarters for longer than one working day.

The above are the official regulations regarding expenses. We realize that in your case your family now resides in Austin and that your first field assignment may possibly be within a reasonable driving distance from Austin. During such time as these conditions obtain it will be in order for you to submit an expense account covering your actual expenses even though living at home, providing the

charge for lodging and subsistence does not exceed \$75.00 per month. When you are in Houston on the first we will discuss the details of this arrangement further, to the end that your expense accounts will come through in the regular form.

We are attaching application form and patent release and would appreciate it if you will complete these forms in duplicate.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roy R. Thomas".

RFM/MJ