Professor, Dr. H.B. Stenzel, Shell Oil Co., 3836 Bellaire Blvd. Houston 25, Texas.

Dear Professor Stenzel:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of November 11th. I am very grateful for your promise to send me a copy of the bulletin on the Stone City Pelecypods and other paleontological publications of yours.

Our Paleocene material from West Greenland has been produced by expeditions during several years, and having worked with this fauna for many years I am well acquainted with most of the American literature on the Lower Tertiary. I am in possession of Miss Gardner's bulletin on the Widway Group of Texas and also know the Bulletins of American Paleontology, i.a. the publication of G.D. Harris, Catherine van Winkler Palmer, Th. Aldrich and many others. I also know that the Cannonball member now is considered to be Paleocene.

In a work on the Gastropod Genus Gilbertina I am treating one of the Cannonball member species, described by T.W. Stanton as Ringicula dubia, and showing that it belongs to the genus Gilbertina which is abundantly represented in the Lower Paleocene of West Greenland and Denmark. This genus is also known from the Midway Group of Texas, but it has not been possible for me to obtain specimens of the species occurring there, viz. G. texana Gardner. I have Gilbertina material from West Greenland, Denmark, Sweden, Austria, Belgium, France and Russia.

It may already now be maintained that the Paleocene (and the Danian) fauna of West Greenland is very close to the contemporaneous faunas of Europe, whereas the resemblance to the North American faunas, especially the Midway, is not so great; however, with the Cannonball member there seems to be some species in common.

We shall with pleasure send you those of our publications you wish to get, except one, viz. no.31: Bøggild: Shell Structure, which unfortunately is out of print. I shall however keep in mind that you are interested in this work, and forward it to you if I should succeed in obtaining a copy. I regret that it will be about a month before we can send you these publications, as our stock for the time being, owing to rebuilding of our museum, is quite inaccessible.

I have asked two of our biggest second-hand book stores to send you their sales catalogues of geological and paleontological literature, and I hope that you may find something of interest in them.

With kindest regards,

