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Dr. William Schneider,
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Dear Dr. Schneider:

Enclosed are a total of 17 CD's which represent the *entire* run of Raven's Story interviews and production from 1995 until present. There are several recent CD's, plus I converted all the 1995 and 1996 Digital tape productions to CD's. Hopefully this will make the information more accessible to users. Is the jukebox/internet idea that we discussed last spring still a viable option? I am still interested in working with you to make this information more accessible to users, especially over the internet. I have all the produced segments on each of the 17 CD's in the form of audio "wav" files. Most radio and internet people say the data would have to be converted to "real audio" or "mp3" files for efficient electronic transfer. Perhaps we could do the project in cooperation with the KIYU or KUAC radio stations. I was wondering if it would be possible to get a student worker to do the file converting? If not, there may be some chance I could get a Fish and Wildlife volunteer to do it this summer. Beyond the file conversion, I do not know what else would be needed. Would there be any small grants available to help pay for this?

Also enclosed are the original interview session tapes for Lloyd and Amelia DeWilde and John and Lorraine Honea. You should have all the other originals in your collections already. I have raw tapes for another five people, and hope to continue to produce 1-3 new CD's per year.

Sincerely,



Mike Spindler
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