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Subject:

Two reports attached to the letter dated July 27, 2001 from the Chancellor,
University of Missouri-Columbia

Dear Sir:

This letter is sent in reference to the following documents sent to your office under the
Chancellor's transmittal letter dated July 27, 2001:

- (1) July 25, 2001, Independent Assessment of the Continuing Effectiveness of
Corrective Actions Taken to Address Past Chilling Effects at the University of
Missouri-Columbia campus; and
- (2) July 25, 2001, Independent Assessment Report Review of the Freedom of
MURR Employees to Report Problems Without Fear of Retaliation.

Please disregard the "confidential" stamp on these documents. We have no objection to
these documents being placed into the Public Document Control system.

Sincerely,

Ralph Butler
Interim Director and Chief Operating Officer

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