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Dear Nell:

As you know from the Third Yearly Proposal and Second Yearly Progress Report we submitted recently, we believed we would have an estimated cumulative balance on contract AT(45-1)-1780 of \$3,596 at the end of the current grant year May 31, 1965. Even though the time is short since we submitted our best thinking to you on project needs, we now feel a critical need for a second gas chromatograph that can handle our testosterone assay on a routine basis. This second gas chromatograph need not be nearly as sophisticated an instrument as the one we presently have and will fall within the price range of \$3,000 - \$4,000 (including sales use tax and freight). We would appreciate your consideration of our request to use the cumulative fund balance for purchase of the routine testing gas chromatograph.

Dr. Donald Brusca has achieved our original objective of establishing a method of urinary testosterone assay in a phenomenally short time. Our present gas chromatograph is now tied up completely 8 hours or more a day, running these tests just to keep up with urines sent from subjects at the Oregon State Penitentiary. We would now like to be able to assign this test, which is now routine, to a technician under his supervision, thus freeing him and the expensive, original instrument for research on developing chemical assay methods for urinary estrogens. This is an infinitely far more

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difficult task for which there is little useful guidance in the literature. He is most anxious to proceed.

Your help in solving our current dilemma will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Meta Heller

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REPOSITORY: DOE-RICHLAND
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