

Phineas J. Lardass

President

[Company Name]

123 Main Street

Baltimore Maryland

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Dear Madam Stillman,

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for loaning me the use of your business car during the final leg of my recent journey. You found me near the end of my rather long trip back from my Congressional fact finding mission to Bora Bora. I had my yacht meet me in Miami for what was planned to be a leisurely passage up the east coast to Baltimore, but unfortunate engine problems had caused a detour to the shipyard in Thorny Point. Dreading what I feared would have been a mind numbingly tedious train ride riding with the riff raff, I was overjoyed when we met and you offered the use of your business car while you were away on your shopping expedition to Paris. My trip was pleasant and your staff, most accommodating.

I did find one aspect of the trip somewhat challenging, however. Being a

man of considerable girth, I found it difficult to make the large step to get on and off your car. Your Porter's practice was to use either an old milk crate or a cinder block as a step stool. While that seemed to be in keeping with the penny pinching reputation of the E & P, it did not strike me as an arrangement suitable for a lady of your station in life. To remedy this situation I had my lackeys down in the shops produce the enclosed step stool. Please accept this small token of my thanks.

Your humble servant,

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