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Subject: Successful Apollo 11 Mission

Attention: J. Santourian

Gentlemen:

We have received the following message from our prime contractor, North American Rockwell Corporation:


"ON SUNDAY, JULY 20, 1969, APOLLO 11 LANDED SAFELY ON THE MOON AND THE WORLD REJOICED. SINCE THAT TIME NEIL ARMSTRONG, MICHAEL COLLINS, AND EDWIN ALDRIN HAVE RETURNED TO EARTH WITH DATA AND SAMPLES WHICH WILL CONTRIBUTE GREATLY TO MAN'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE UNIVERSE. THE MOST DARING ADVENTURE IN HISTORY - MAN'S FIRST ACTUAL EXPLORATION OF THE MOON - HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED. THIS MISSION, WHICH WAS UNDOUBTEDLY THE GREATEST TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENT OF ALL TIME, COULD NOT HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED WITHOUT THE DEDICATION OF YOUR FIRM AND ALL OF THE OTHER CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS INVOLVED IN THIS IMAGINATIVE UNDERTAKING. PLEASE ACCEPT OUR CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTANT ROLE IN THIS MISSION WHICH WAS PLAYED BY YOUR COMPANY. OUR THANKS ARE EXTENDED TO YOU AND ALL OF YOUR PERSONNEL WHO CONTRIBUTED SO GREATLY TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS EPIC MISSION."

We at Collins Radio Company wish to acknowledge the important contribution made by our suppliers of high reliability component parts and materials to the successful performance of the Command Module Communication and Data System and the Lunar Module Signal Processor.

Throughout the years of the program, our primary goal has been a successful lunar landing mission. We extend our warmest appreciation to your company for your conscientious endeavors in achieving this goal and heartiest congratulations on the successful performance of your products in this mission.

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