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Mr. Forrest C. Allen, Director Department of Physical Education University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

We are enclosing herewith quotations and correspondence received against your Purchase Request 1221. Originally, POV 966 was issued to the Theodore Mayer Company of Chicago as per your request in your letter of October 12.

On the purchase request you had indicated the estimated cost to be \$2.50 a dozen and because you had personally interviewed the representative of that company previously, we assumed that the estimated price was also the actual cost. However, upon receipt of the order, the firm asked that they be allowed to increse their price to \$3.00 a dozen.

Feeling quite sure that we had concerns in Kansas that could bid on these towels for that price, we did not allow the increase at the time and have taken the additional time to secure four different bids.

Owing to the range of price quoted, we hesitated to place the order until you have been given an opportunity to examine the samples. The samples are being sent to you today under separate cover. May we say here that it would be satisfactory to return Weaver's sample to them direct after you have made your selection.

If you still feel that the Theodore Mayer towel is the one you desire at the increased price, of course we will be governed by your decision. We would like to see the towel bought from some withinstate merchant if at all possible.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Rusiness Manager