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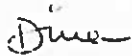
Dear Jim:

After careful consideration of the automation requirements of the Sladen Library, and the options available to us from DALNET and automation vendors, we feel it is necessary to resign from DALNET and pursue an automated library system independently. As I stated verbally when I announced our resignation, the growth of Henry Ford Health Care Corporation in the past twelve months, and the expected growth during the next two years, make it essential that we develop our own network. By the end of 1986, we will have at least 19 off-campus locations, perhaps more.

We remain extremely interested in and supportive of DALNET and the concept of joint library automation in Detroit. I will be sure to design our system with dial access ports, and would like to assure you that we will also be dialing into DALNET. As plans are finalized we are open to loading our bibliographic records into the DALNET database if the members wish that to occur, and we'll consider any other cooperative measure as appropriate. We will complete system planning in 1986 and request funding for the 1987 budget year.

My staff and I have enjoyed participating in DALNET. Best wishes for the future.

Sincerely,



Nardina L. Nameth  
Director of Library Services

cc: Ric Cameron, Associate Administrator  
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Dear Dina:

Many thanks for your letter of 29 October regarding Henry Ford's automation plans. While we regret that you will not be initially involved in the DALNET effort, we are delighted to hear of your dial-access interests, with possible future development in the area of a bibliographic database load. In the meantime, we wish you all the best with your automation planning and implementation. We look forward to future reports on your network development.

Sincerely,

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