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Dear Phil:

I am sending you this note at the request of Vint Cerf. I understand that the Computer History Museum wishes to make use, in a not-for-profit capacity, of the copyrights in a piece of software known as NLS/Augment, which I am told is a PDP-10 emulator ("NLS/Augment").

I also understand from emails that Vint has provided me that ownership of the intellectual property rights in NLS/Augment is said to have passed at various times from SRI to McDonnell Douglas to British Telecom and, ultimately, to MCI. MCI did acquire certain assets from British Telecom's North American subsidiary in a transaction that closed in January 1994. It does not appear, however, that MCI acquired ownership of the intellectual property rights in NLS/Augment as a result of that transaction, although based on the documents available to me it is not possible to conclusively determine what rights MCI may or may not have in NLS/Augment.

In any case, Verizon Business Network Services, Inc., as the successor to MCI Telecommunications Corporation, Inc., has no objection to the Computer History Museum's use, for not-for-profit purposes for the benefit of the general public, of whatever copyrights may exist in NLS/Augment.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Peterson", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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