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December 28, 1937.

My dear Dr. Lillie:

May I thank you for your letter of November 29th. The officers of The Rockefeller Foundation, over the past ten years, have followed with interest the activities of the Committee on Oceanography of the National Academy of Sciences, and have observed with real satisfaction the developments which, in such important instances, resulted from the recommendations of that Committee. Both pure and applied research in this field have unquestionably experienced a notable and important advance during the last years.

In acknowledging your final report and your notification of the disbanding of this special Committee of the Academy, we would like to emphasize our confidence that the influence of the Committee's activities will by no means cease. The Rockefeller Foundation is deeply appreciative of the fact that the support it was able to contribute was made much more effective and of much more permanent significance because of the wise counsel which the Committee furnished.

Sincerely yours,

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