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Dear Tom;

We are happy to make available for you additional dried blood spot samples from individuals from Texas. I'm delighted that the Hispanic samples we sent you previously were so informative. In addition to more Hispanic samples, we can provide 150 each of the following population groups: "White," African American, Asian, and American Indian. The samples will be essentially random, and anonymized.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Hutcherson".

Eldridge T. Hutcherson, Ph.D.
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