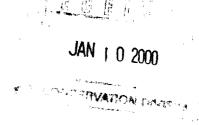
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Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

Please dismiss the above case. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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