24th June 1963 C.S.I.R.O. Stowell Avenue Hobart, Tasmania Australia

Mr. Charles H. Schauer Research Corporation 405 Lexington Ave. New York 17, New York

Dear Hap:

This letter is addressed to you because it relates to money. Things are working in a nearly routine manner at Bothwell, giving me an opportunity to figure out what it has cost. A synopsis is on the attached sheet. All items are rounded to the nearest ten pounds. Attempting an exact division of many bills into the various categories seemed unrewarding.

I decided to write off the automobile completely, rather than carry along an asset of unknown and dwindling value. Two complete surveys were made because of a fundamental design change. In retrospect, this was the difference between failure and success of the entire project. The large repairs on car are caused by driving over obstacles in open country. I didn't believe it worthwhile to purchase a second vehicle just for use at Bothwell. Aside from these matters, there has been relatively little waste. I may have lost track of costs in America, but things are not cheap in Australia.

A rather large sum has been advanced from my own resources. I have done this knowingly and voluntarily because I believed in the fundamental soundness of the enterprise. The Research Corporation has been very flattering in its support of my adventures and I am most appreciative. However, RC is in no way obligated to make up the difference. Never-the-less, if RC is of such a mind, I will be pleased to receive whatever they see fit. Perhaps \$15000 now with the remainder after the first of the year would be appropriate.

Sufficient data has now been reduced to show that I have struck upon a scientifically good thing in a manner hoped for, but never realized at Halcakala. Already the evidence at hand is far beyond that possible to secure from the multimillion dollar satellite programs. I believe the improvement of celestial detail and information which could be secured by expanding the installation would be worth the effort, time and money.

Unfortunately, the cost is getting beyond the resources of me or RC. I would like to stay away from NSF or NASA because of their apparent phenomenal incompetence. Do you or Sam Smith have any friends at Rockefeller or Carnegie who might be interested? Some years ago I wrote a story describing my experiments at Wheaton. Recently, I stumbled on an abstract of the article. A few factual statements were made. Then the reviewer waxes lyrical and ended "A romance of research in modern times." This type of romance is becoming expensive.

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Best regards,

Grote Reber

Property Improvements

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Lease Surveying Roads Ramps and gates Building	40 1020 1870 590 <u>960</u>	4480
Antenna System		
Poles, posts and anchor logs Dig holes Setup poles, posts and bury anchor logs Crossarms, hardware, insulators Antenna couplers and line transformers Attach fittings and string wires	1740 1490 3270 2030 1650 2710	12890
Scientific Apparatus		
Electronic Equipment Tools and furnishings	820 540	1 36 0
Transportation		
Automobile Fuel, oil and tires Repairs and maintenance Insurance and taxes Hired transport of people Hired transport of goods	1250 470 390 160 130 110	2510
Operation		
Labor Material Rent Office supplies	1040 380 150 60	
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