To: Mr. Stuart Ashman New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs 407 Galisteo St. Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Mr. Ashman,

Several weeks ago, we sent a letter expressing concerns about the publishing practices of the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science, in particular those of the former and acting executive directors, Dr. Spencer Lucas and Dr. Adrian Hunt. Your response suggests that you investigated our concerns of ethical misconduct by asking Dr. Lucas and Dr. Hunt if, in their own opinion, they had done anything wrong, and accepted their response that they had "adhered to the publishing practices and polices of the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science." We would appreciate being sent copies of these Publishing Practices and Policies (they can be mailed to the addresses below).

Much thanks,

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