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Dear Jim:

This is just a note for your files with regard to the NEA Lifeline Grant (# ARRA 29 - 2010) that the Symphony was offered several weeks ago as the "next in line" for the remainder of the grant period. To confirm our conversation, the Symphony will be unable to accept this grant.

Unfortunately, the Symphony has just been notified that our donated office space (which we have had for all of our 23 year history) will no longer be available to us. We do not even have a line item in our budget for paid office space !! So, we are trying every possibility for donated or partially donated space, however, nothing has materialized to date, and we must move by mid-August. Being that our Summerfest starts next week and runs for one month, we must finalize space and begin the packing and moving process in the couple several weeks. Not knowing the exact financial ramifications that this will mean for the Symphony, our Board has made the decision to not hire anyone for the Bookkeeper position at this time.

Thanks so much,

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