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Annie Cocchia  
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Dear Ms. Cocchia,

As per our previous communications regarding this OWB grant, the timing of the fiscal funding cycle of the Oregon Wine Board does not align with the nature of this research, which spans a vintage. As such grant #2009-362, while theoretically due May 9, 2010 is just getting started for this vintage. I have received the first two grant fund payments for this grant (this money is held in my SOU account) and have enclosed the final funds request form (due June 15, 2010).

For a progress report from the last submitted report dated February 9, 2010 for #2009-362 and the 2010 vintage, the following grant-related activities have occurred or are planned over the spring, summer and fall:

- Data from the 2009 and prior vintages were used in the Oregon Wine Industry Symposium "2009 Vintage Overview" on February 23, 2010.
- The temperature sensors were downloaded for the dormant period (November 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010) and the sensors were re-initialized for 15 minute sampling for the growing season (April 1 – October 31, 2010).
- I have also collaborated with Marcus Buchanan, the OSU Viticulture Extension agent for Southern Oregon on a soils moisture-irrigation project that can draw from the reference network collaboration, equipment, and historical data.
- Spring weather updates for frost have been sent out periodically to growers during the spring.
- Phenology observations have started to be collected on bud break, with other events to follow later this summer.
- Fruit sampling will occur on September 13, 2010 as in prior years that will provide a ripening report for all members of the Umpqua Valley Winegrowers' Association.

- Harvest information will be collected from growers at the end of the vintage.
- Temperature sensor data will be downloaded at the end of October.
- Final reports will be completed and mailed out to association members by mid to late November.

If you need any more information regarding these grants please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Jones', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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