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Dr. Paul Pearson
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Atomic Energy Commission
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Dear Mr. Pearson:

I am pleased to present a short statement on the progress of the report on the classification of the United States.

We have finished connecting the 215 plates, and are now preparing the plates which we expect to consist of about 800 printed pages. The amount of the raw proofs back from the GPO in January.

This morning I talked with our Associate Editor, John Lee, who stated that the Smithsonian Institution intends to order from the Government Printing Office, only 2500 copies, which would cover only its own administrative needs. It was sorry to learn from the associate editor that so few copies were being ordered and in my opinion this is the where near enough to cover the needs of other government agencies. If you are interested in obtaining copies for the AEC, I suggest that an order be placed along with that of the Smithsonian Institution. The estimated cost would be \$11,000.00 for the Smithsonian and \$3,000.00.

The plates and drawings have come out very nicely and I am convinced that this contribution on the fishes of the Antarctic and Antarctic Islands will be of great importance to those who work with that fauna in the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Leonard P. Schultz
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Curator of Fishes

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