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Dr. Susan Blunck **Education Department** University of Maryland Baltimore County 1000 Hilltop Circle Baltimore, Maryland 21250

Dear Dr. Blunck:

Thank you for working with the Master Science Teacher Institute conducted by Montgomery County Public Schools, July 21-23, 1997. This summer institute is part of our effort to effect a systemic change of middle school science. Your participation with the institute helped to provide Master Science Teachers with an up-to-date vision of effective inquiry-based science instruction and the national science reform movement.

Prior to the institute, you met with me and the Science Connections staff to plan the institute and help make decisions on the role you and other consultants would play. During the institute, you modeled effective classroom teaching and helped Master Science Teachers think about their own teaching. Your activities, insights, experiences with other national inquiry-based instruction were presented in a well-organized format. You included teachers in planning the daily goals and activities and respected feedback they gave you. The teachers appreciated the time you took to answer questions and discuss concerns with them. Naturally, the evaluations of your sessions were excellent, and many commented on your excellent modeling of the constructivist classroom.

Thank you again for working with our Master Science Teachers and your commitment to helping Montgomery County Public Schools with our Science Connections Project. We look forward to a continued professional relationship with you and the University of Maryland Baltimore County over the life of our project. Please do not hesitate to invite us to participate in any of your collaborative projects.

Sincerely

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