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Dear Scott,

I am glad to hear of your interest in the TITANIC and that you have chosen the great liner as the topic of your project. You did not mention when your project is due. I hope that this letter is in time to be of help. If not, perhaps your interest is continuing so that you will make use of the information.

You said that you have read the NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, by which I think you meant the December 1985 issue. I hope that you have now seen the new December 1986 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, with its article about our summer's explorations of the TITANIC. That should be of some help to you. You might also want to contact the TITANIC Historical Society, at Box 53, Indian Orchard, MA 01151-0053. They are the best source of detailed information about the ship, including books, models, deck plans, etc.

Our Public Information Office does have slides, photographs, etc. available for purchase. There is a charge to cover the costs of producing and shipping the material as the demand is simply too great for the Institution to be able to afford free distribution. A price list is enclosed. Please note that all requests for material should be directed to the Public Information Office.

In the meantime, I am enclosing a copy of the brochure about the TITANIC which the Institution produced after the 1985 discovery. I hope that you will enjoy it.

Sincerely,

RDB (copy)

Dr. Robert D. Ballard
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Enclosures

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Dear Dr Ballard,

I read the article about The Titanic in National Geographic. I'm doing a project about The R.M.S. Titanic, and I would love a lot of information, and I would appreciate the way the Titanic looks now in total. I hate to seem pushy or corny but I have to write a twenty page report, and there isn't a lot of information a fifth grade person is to get. Any information will be appreciated.

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