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Dear Mr. Merks:

Re: "Abuse of Statistics".

Articles of a controversial nature can be published in the *CIM Bulletin* under the heading "Forum". Dr. Frits Agterberg and I have reviewed your manuscript and we agree that it is suitable for publication in this category, with minor modifications. I have made some comments directly on the enclosed manuscript for your consideration, but I would like to emphasize the following points:

1. References should be cited in the text by the last name of the author or authors and the year of publication. References should be listed at the end of the article in alphabetical order in the style indicated in "Guidelines for Authors of Technical Papers" (copy enclosed).
2. Can you cite a specific reference for the quotation by Wells? This would be particularly pertinent in the two locations in the text where you state that he was impressed with statistics.
3. Subscripts should be used in the equations; i.e., x_i instead of x_i .

In preparing your revised text, please follow the "Guidelines for Authors of Technical Papers"; note, however, that an abstract is not required for a short communication such as yours. If possible, please submit your revised text on diskette, using WordPerfect 5.1. The revision should be submitted to me at the address below. Would you also please submit a photograph of yourself along with a brief biographical outline which can be included with the publication of your manuscript.

I look forward to receiving your revised manuscript.

Yours truly,

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