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Dear Prospective Client,

Thank you for taking the time to review our open adoption correspondence program. This program was designed to assist adoptive families and birth families with their communication needs. Many family's post adoptive needs include writing letters, sending pictures and setting up visits with birth parents. We have successfully done this for over 14 years. I invite you to review this packet to see how we can assist you with your post adoption needs.

The goal of the correspondence service is to provide a mechanism through which birth families and adoptive families can foster their semi-open or open adoption. Open adoption is a term that has many meanings and covers a wide array of relationships that can evolve differently for each family. Each situation is unique and we will work to address the specific needs of the families who join our program. Our intent is to make semi-open and open adoption as successful as possible for everyone involved. We will support any post adoption agreements and help families navigate the waters of open adoption.

The services we offer are for both adoptive families and birth families. We treat both parties as equals and keep our focus on healthy communication for all parties involved. The services we offer include: correspondence services, planning visits, and visitation support.

Enclosed is a description of our services, the fee schedule, correspondence request sheets and the correspondence service application. The application is designed for you to fill out in order to initiate the use of our correspondence services. If you have a Post Adoption Contact Agreement (PACA) please provide us with a copy. If you do not have a PACA please provide any document that delineates the terms of the post adoption relationship.

Please contact Wendy Lane if you have any questions regarding our correspondence program. She can be reached at wendy@family-star.com or at 716-639-3030.