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Dr. Peter Spyers-Duran  
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Dear Peter:

Earlier this year I wrote to tell you that Northwestern University and TBG, Inc. had signed a letter of intent for the acquisition of the NOTIS system by TBG.

Now I am writing to inform you that Northwestern and TBG have agreed to discontinue their discussions regarding NOTIS. After many months of hard work and serious discussions on both sides, the parties concluded that it is not possible to reach an agreement on the terms of the acquisition.

I want to assure you that Northwestern University remains committed to the NOTIS venture and especially to its customers. We will continue to support all of the NOTIS users and to develop enhancements to the NOTIS software to the very best of our abilities. The NOTIS staff is extremely aware of the needs of the libraries that are implementing NOTIS and are pledged to provide the best service, product, and support available.

There are a number of organizational and financial issues that are now under review by the University Administration which will be resolved before the end of the year. Our obligations to our current and future NOTIS users are paramount in our discussions. I welcome your input on these issues and will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

John P. McGowan  
University Librarian