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Dear Prof. Huth,

Regarding submission JOC-14-0316, it appears that after a week the manuscript has not yet been assigned to an editor and has not gone out for review. May I ask whether this is the usual time-line?

If not, is there a problem that I can help to resolve?

Perhaps the controversial subject of the manuscript, or the prior submission history are of concern?

If so, is there anything I might do to allay these concerns?

If it is of any help to know, my professional position is member of the scientific staff at the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory, SLAC, Stanford University.

My work involves using x-ray absorption spectroscopy to study elements of interest -- chiefly sulfur and the first row transition metals -- in complex biological or physical environments.

My professional work requires routine attention to systematic error, and that experience has been applied to the work in JOC-14-0316.

I did not claim my professional affiliation with the manuscript because the work within JOC-14-0316 was carried out on my personal time, and is no part of my work at Stanford. However, I have attached my publication list for your inspection.

If it will help, my immediate supervisors at Stanford are:

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Please feel free to contact them, if there is a desire to reference my standing as a scientist. Other professional references, i.e., of my collaborators, can also be supplied as might be desired.

I hope this email is not inappropriate or intrusive. I understand that the provenance and subject of the manuscript are unusual, and my hope is only to facilitate a standard review process.

Thank-you very much for your understanding and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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These things are, we conjecture, like the truth;

But as for certain truth, no one has known it.

Xenophanes, 570-500 BCE

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