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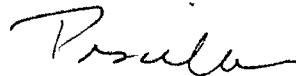Carlisle PA 17013-2885
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Dear Martha:

At long last I have enough AtariLab Starter Sets to send you one. This is for the Archives.

This edition of the Starter Set contains a cartridge with 2 8Kbyte chip-on-board (COB) rather than DIP mounted ROMs. You are invited to open up the cartridge and take a look! After having about 600 of these COB's manufactured, testing revealed that they are not as reliable as the DIP mounted ROMs. Atari has still not approved COB's for computer products although they do use them with the VCS cartridges. To make a long story short, you are getting a 'factory second' for a cartridge, and there is about a 10% chance it will fail. If you have any problems, please give me a call,and I will send you a new cartridge PCB immediately.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Laws