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Dear WCG Volunteer,

I would like to personally thank you, the volunteers who donate your computing power and who have stayed with us during the last 19 months as we've transitioned to the new World Community Grid – thank you for your continued support and for your patience!

As you may be aware, I lead an academic research team at the Krembil Research Institute in Toronto, Canada. WCG is a passion of mine, as I know it is for many of you.

We are operating the new WCG on a budget that is a small fraction of what IBM was contributing to this project. The contrast between the level of resources that I have access to and those of IBM couldn't be greater, as I'm sure you can appreciate. We are now at an inflection point in the life of WCG. As we are restarting WCG today, we hope to expand it both in terms of the scope of the science that we support as well as the size of the volunteer base, but we are facing a financial crisis. New hardware is needed to support the central operations of WCG as well as our very small team of systems support engineers – to be direct, **we urgently need money.**

Together with our Advisory Board (who are passionate WCG volunteers themselves), we continue to search for long-term partners, and other options, to support the operation of WCG. For now, however, I'm asking you to consider making a financial donation to WCG. Any amount is appreciated, be it a one-time donation, or if possible, a modest recurring monthly donation.

Together, we will enable a platform that empowers world-changing research for the benefit of humanity. Thank you!

Dr. Igor Jurisica

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