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Subject: Re: PAGES Open Science Meeting publication  
Date: Fri Sep 18 12:57:16 1998  
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Ray

this is simply to say that I will get my paper to you as soon as I can. Frank knows that I am currently involved with writing a bid on behalf of the earth science community to try to extract 8 million pounds for a 5 year project from NERC to support Palaeo/Modelling validation work. I was not allowed to say no to this request and it is involving me in a lot of meetings and associated crap. I am now redrafting the proposal. Also I must write my application to NERC for a fellowship - if this fails Sarah and I are unemployed after December as things stand. God knows there is little chance of success but the application must be in by the end of September and I have not started it yet. This is a big deal for me and I am putting you down as my primary suggested scientific referee. The PAGES paper can only be done in mid October and I really need your and Frank's understanding on this. I had to do the Thematic bid proposal as Nick Shackleton asked me to, and I want to put him down as my primary Personal reference! In early October I have to attend a NERC Earth Science Board meeting to defend the Thematic bid; a meeting of PEP3 in Belgium; a UK CLIVAR meeting in London; an EC meeting to present our ADVANCE-10K results in Vienna. This is not bullshit. I will do the PAGES meeting paper as fast as I can and you must please allow me the leeway. Sorry - but this will not really hold the publication up. If I could sort out some funding I could afford to drop some of these things but with the EC future also up in the air at the moment, I have to try to juggle these things. Sorry again Ray

Keith

At 09:07 PM 9/12/98 -0400, you wrote:

>This is a reminder that the due date for your paper to be reviewed for the  
>Special edition of Quaternary Science Reviews was August 31....unless you  
>made a special deal with me (and have sent your checks to my Swiss bank  
>account) you should send me your manuscript AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!!

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>Thanks

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>Ray

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