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Mr. Mel Pullen Acorn Computers Ltd. 4A Market Hill Cambridge

Dear Mel Pullen,

The BBC Microcomputer and Prestel Telesoftware

Thank you for hosting the meeting on 21 September involving, in addition to the two of us, Paul Bond, Richard Russell and Mike Brown.

You and your colleagues and Richard Russell will no doubt be in further touch with Mike Brown about any small adjustments to the CET Prestel telesoftware format to ensure flexibility for future development.

My chief purpose in writing this letter is to put on record the important and very welcome assurance by yourself and Richard that the teletext/videotex decoder whose design is being finalised will enable the BBC microcomputer to download from Prestel, and to execute, applications programs in BBC Basic. If anything crops up to jeopardise this assurance, I would ask you to let me know at the earliest possible opportunity.

For our part, we hope to put up shortly on Prestel one or two programs suitable for use on the BBC micro. You may care to test them with your decoder, and let me know the results.

Yours sincerely,

L. A. Gilbert

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