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Robert Shibley
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Dear Mr. Shibley:

I am in receipt of your recent letter to Michigan State University dated January 7, 2010. Your letter is replete with mischaracterizations about the University's *Appropriate Use of MSU E-Mail Services by Internal Users on MSUnet* policy.

The policy makes clear that the University provides its email services to its students, faculty, and staff to facilitate the academic and administrative functions that support the University's mission of teaching, research, and service. The University's email services are not intended as a public forum for the expression of personal opinions. Rather, other means exist within the University community for the expression and dissemination of personal opinions. Contrary to the assertions contained in your letter, the University's policy is both legal and appropriate.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lou Anna K. Simon".

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