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From: Slanker, Lindsey [lslanker@nrsc.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 1:46 PM
To: hampton4je@cox.net
Subject: Hey, there

I understand so much is going on in your life right now, and I wrestled with even sending an email, but I just have to be completely honest with you. I care so much about you. I care so much that you have been first on my heart, in my mind and in my prayers most days in the past several months.

My feelings were hurt last week—they were hurt because once Mike felt ok I called you to go to lunch and you told me you were too busy—not too busy right now, let's do something later, but too busy and I didn't hear from you again. I called later and you didn't even return the call—simply an email. Granted I had company coming the following day, but I would never have been too busy to even talk to you. I don't profess to understand what you are going through and because of that I just trusted that you needed space and left you alone.

After the email Mike just received from Doug I am deeply troubled by the reference to my being angry and disappointed in you—and even more so by the idea that I threatened our relationship or business relationship. I feel like since the moment the entire truth came out I have tried to be nothing but a friend...whether by listening, giving you a place to stay, or by leaving you alone. If I ever made you feel those things I am terribly sorry. I am so distraught that you could have felt those things without letting me know. I had no idea you ever interpreted those things by my words or actions.

I'm not sure how we moved from excited to get together for dinner and spend time over the week to not wanting to see me, or even talk to me. And, maybe I am reading more into this than there is...I certainly hope that is the case...that maybe you just needed space and time to be alone over the week of the 4th...but I am terribly confused and hope that maybe we can talk this through—anytime, day or night. I do care about you and can only hope and pray that we would not let a misunderstanding get in the way of a special friendship.

Love, Lindsey