Dear Judge:

I would like to welcome you as a judge of the Border Leicester breed and on behalf of the breeders, I thank you for accepting the assignment.

At the request of the Board of Directors of the American Border Leicester Association, I am attaching a copy of the Border Leicester Standard of Excellence for your review. The standard includes the breakdown of points including conformation, specific breed characteristics and wool counting as 40% of the scorecard. Since this is considered a long-wool breed, it is very important that all sheep are shown according to the breed standard with 3-5 months growth of fleece. In addition to this standard, these animals should not be over-washed to remove the natural lanolin from the wool, nor should they be carded, combed, or blocked; stray locks may be trimmed, but not so much that it distracts from the natural character and uniform growth length of the fleece.

I hope that you have a positive experience judging Border Leicesters. Please do not hesitate to contact me or any board member should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Holliday Thomas
Holliday Thomas, President
American Border Leicester Association