SAMPLE APPLICATION LETTER – EXPEDITE (essential requirements in bold) March 21, 2011

To The China Center for Children's Welfare and Adoption/CCCWA,

My name is **Virginia Ann Ching**. I was born on July 7, 1967 in Elgin, TX. My husband is Joseph Yim Ching. He was born on October 30, 1968 in Guangzhou, China. We are both citizens of the United States. We respectfully request the honor and privilege of adopting a baby girl from China.

A baby daughter has been part of our dreams for quite some time. We feel that adoption is a great choice for us. We look forward to expanding our family through adoption. **When considering adoption we were drawn to China because** of the many healthy and well cared for children in China in need of loving homes. To bring such a wonderful daughter into our home is everything we could ever hope for and it will complete our family. **Therefore, we are respectfully requesting a healthy infant daughter between the ages of birth and 18 months of age**. We hope to adopt a child as young as possible.

Our daughter will enjoy a beautiful and loving home, and a stimulating and nurturing environment. In addition to our love and dedication, **she will have all the legal rights and opportunities of a birth child. We promise not to abandon or abuse our daughter.** She will also have the love of her two brothers Hector and David Smith who are so excited about having a little sister to look after. We promise to complete all 6 **required post adoption visits and reports as required by the CCCWA.**

We will do everything we possibly can to help her build on her natural curiosity to develop her full intellectual and physical potential. My husband and I both believe strongly in the value of an education, and we will support our daughter in every way to ensure that she receive the best education possible. We will also take great care and pride in guiding our daughter to learn of her beautiful culture and heritage of China. We respectfully request an expedited referral as Joseph is Chinese and was born in China <u>OR</u> Joseph is Chinese and both of his parents were born in China. If we are fortunate enough to be able to share our lives with that of a daughter from China, we will do everything we can to fill her life with love, joy and happiness.

We thank you for considering us as adoptive parents and for helping to make our dreams of completing our family come true. Sincerely,

Virginia Ching and Joseph Ching State of ______ County of ______ Subscribed and sworn before me this _____day of ____ 2011. Notary Public