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ATTN: Urinal Customer Care Department

Dear Urinal Caretakers,

I am growing very tired of my wife always complaining about me leaving the toilet seat up. I subscribe to the theory that it is just as easy for a woman to put the seat down as it is for a man to put it up. You don't hear me complaining every time I have to pee that the damn toilet seat is down again!

Think about it! Every time I have to pee, before I can pee, I have to reach down and lift up the toilet seat. Then I have to reach down and put the toilet seat back down after I am done. That's two separate actions of orientating the toilet seat. If women had their way and the toilet seats are always down when it is their turn to pee, they would walk into the bathroom, sit down, and pee. Then wipe, flush, and walk out. I see a problem with that picture. Absolutely **no** effort before or after by the woman to reorient the toilet seat. Recap = men have two reorienting motions, women have none! Does that seem fair? Shouldn't we at least split the difference? Men lift the seat and then leave it up; women put the seat down and then leave it down. That is fair.

I have one simple comment on my wife's argument that I have to sit down if I am going breach a doody; therefore, I don't always have two separate actions of orientating the toilet seat. Untrue. That red herring doesn't affect my point, because I usually take care of that business elsewhere. Our bathroom is inundated with frilly girly things, scented candles, and handcrafted toilet paper and tissue box covers. I am so suffocated by my wife's bathroom decorations closing in on me from all directions that I only poop there in instances of dire emergency. Last year, when I was on vacation from work and didn't have that toilet as my daily alternative, I had to take a suppository after a week of trying to make a bowel movement in our bathroom!

Getting back to my pee problem, for a while I simply resorted to leaving the seat down all the time so that she would stop griping about it. I just never lifted it up in the first place. But recently she's been whining about how I miss the seat hole/bowl and how she ends up sitting in a wet spot on the seat. *At least the seat is down! Geez!* I am fed up with it all. I love my wife, don't get me wrong, but I need to resolve this issue before we both go crazy. I want to install a

urinal in my house so that I have my own pot to piss in. For that matter, I want to install two urinals in my bathroom so that if I have a buddy over to watch the game, we can both go at the same time without having to wait and risk missing the first play after a commercial break.

With that in mind, I have a few questions to ask you regarding urinal installation and maintenance. Can you tell me what the most common installation height is for a standard urinal? I was once in a hospital in Pittsburgh where the public rest rooms must have been designed by a man who was eight feet tall. I needed a stepladder to climb up to use those urinals! Please provide me with the proper installation height.

If I had more time and resources, I would put in the old fashioned kind where the base of the urinal is flush with the floor. That always gave me a feeling of freedom, like just pissing in a street gutter. I could also teach the dog to use that kind of urinal and save me from those frigid early morning dog walkings in the winter. But I don't want to tear up any floorboards in the process and I plan to do this some day while my wife is at work so that she won't discover my new plumbing in the middle of the installation process. I figure that a couple of wall mounted urinals will take less time to install and they will be in and running before my wife can protest.

Next, can you tell me where I might buy those really big mints that I usually see in public urinals? They seem to cut down on the urine odor. I think I will need a supply of those on hand to appease my wife when I forget to flush my urinal after every use. I may be hard nosed about this whole toilet seat debate thing, but don't let anyone ever say that I don't care about my wife.

Finally, can you recommend a style or model of privacy partition that I can hang between my two urinals that is in keeping with a country farm house motif? My wife has our bathroom decorated like a rural farmhouse and I don't think that the standard plywood or press board partition will go very well with the rest of her theme. What do you suggest?

I will browse through one of your catalogs to select my urinal models at a later date sometime closer to when I am ready to install them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rusty Lucas".

Rusty Lucas

p.s. Does American Standard have any company logo baseball caps available? I know that a lot of farmers wear baseball caps and I plan to hang baseball caps from the flushers on my two new urinals. This will help complete the country house theme that my wife insists upon in the bathroom. I already have a John Deere cap that will be perfect for my primary urinal, but I will need another cap to hang from the other one. If you have any American Standard baseball caps, I would very much like to have a free one.