Sample letter to a creditor requesting a reduced monthly payment

Your Complete Address Date
Name of creditor Address
Attention: Delinquent Accounts Representative
Subject: Your Name and Your Account Number
The purpose of this letter is to inform you that I am having some budgeting and debt problems. I Am having trouble making my monthly payment as a result of
(list reason – recent job loss or seasonal unemployment, etc.)
I hope we will be able to agree upon an acceptable debt repayment plan.
I have taken a careful look at my financial situation. I have set up a realistic minimum budget for my living expenses and have developed a debt repayment program. I am hoping you will accept a reduced payment of per month. Amounts will be increased as soon as possible until the debt is totally paid. (Specify Amount)
I hope you find this plan acceptable. I look forward to your letter of acknowledgement; I have enclosed a pre-addressed envelope for your use.
I can be reached by telephone at: between the hours of
Sincerely,
(Sign your full name here)
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