

MEMORANDUM

October 15, 1958

To: Edward N. Gadsby, Chairman

From: Thomas G. Meeker, General Counsel

Re: Commission Endorsement of the Uniform Securities Act – Your inquiry concerning the statement of former Chairman Armstrong in the June issue of the Virginia Law Review.

The basis of Sinc's statement in the Virginia Law Review was the position taken by the Commission on the proposed Uniform Securities Act in response to a request of the Bureau of the Budget for our comments on "Suggested State Legislation, Program for 1957" which was developed by the Committee of State Officials on Suggested State Legislation of the Council of State Governments.

In a letter dated January 15, 1957, to Roger W. Jones, Assistant Director for Legislative Reference of the Bureau of the Budget (a copy of which is in the Commission files labeled "Departmental, Executive Office of the President, Bureau of the Budget, from 1/19/49 [Part II]), Sinc stated:

"The Commission has now had the opportunity to examine the 'Statement Regarding Uniform Securities Act', as well as the proposed draft of the statute. I have been authorized to advise you that the Commissioners unanimously concur in the principle of uniformity of laws among the states with respect to the control of securities markets. With this principle in mind the Commission has unanimously endorsed the proposed legislation. It is hoped that its enactment by the states will bring about a better integration of the work of state securities administrators with the work of the Securities and Exchange Commission."

I believe that it is appropriate for you to disclose this information to Mr. Loss inasmuch as the Commission authorized Mr. Jones to make its position known to the Council of State Governments. I attach a copy of the Commission minute of January 14, 1957, authorizing this statement of the Commission's position.

Attachment