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Mr. Harvey L. Pitt
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Dear Mr. Pitt:

Thank you for your positive response to my request at the Securities Subcommittee hearing on February 24, 1987 to provide us with a plain language, workable restructuring of the law on insider trading.

I am particularly pleased that you will be working closely with Jim Treadway and John Olson in this effort. As you know, I also have a high degree of confidence, based on their reputations, in Lewis Black, Gary Lynch, Daniel Goelzer, Stanley Sporkin, Ted Levine, Irving Pollack, Sam Scott Miller and Richard Phillips.

If this group, together with other individuals you collectively may wish to include, is able to assist in the preparation of a given approach which responds to the legitimate concerns of representatives of the securities industry, commercial banks, pension managers, mutual funds, corporate issuers and accountants -- I can assure you that your work-product will be given very serious consideration by the Subcommittee.

I look forward to a clarification of the law on the use of insider information which hopefully we will be able to sell to the Congress, and the American people.

Sincerely,

Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
Chairman
Subcommittee on Securities