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Dear Mr. Kaplan:

I am sending this letter in confirmation of our telephone conversation yesterday in which we discussed the applicability of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (the "Act") to the three transactions outlined in the letter to you, dated August 2, 1988. You may want to refer to that letter at this time.

From our telephone conversation, I understand that your opinion regarding the Act's applicability to the three transactions is as follows:

## Transaction 1:

The distribution of assets valued at \$90,000,000 to a 50/50 partner upon the dissolution of a partnership is a reportable transaction under the Act, and each partner must report as both an acquiring and acquired person. Accordingly, May must report its acquisition of assets upon the dissolution of

## Transaction 2:

The formation of a partnership and consequent contribution by one partner of voting securities and the contribution of cash by the other partner is non-reportable under the Act, because as long as it does not give 100% ownership of the partnership to any one person, the formation of a partnership, the contributions of its partners and the acquisition of interests therein are neither acquisitions of assets or of voting securities. Therefore, the formation of a partnership between and is an exempt transaction where the and one of its subsidiaries contributes 100% of the voting securities of the and a partnership including Prudential contributes \$600 million in cash.

## Transaction 3:

A state law and/or private agreement which deems otherwise "voting" stock as "non-voting" while it is held directly or indirectly by its issuer, effectively makes that stock non-voting for HSR purposes and, therefore, not subject to the Act. Accordingly the eed not file a Motification Report Form when it exercises a put-option which requires a partnership that include the purposes non-voting securities.

If my understanding, as stated above, of the opinions that you gave in our telephone conversation is different from yours, please call me attraction. Again, I thank you for your advice and indulgence.

Very truly yours,

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