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Item 5 (b)(ii)

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Premerger Notification Office
Bureau of Competition
Room 303
Federal Trade Commission
Washington, DC 20580

Re: Item 5 "General Observations" on FTC Website

Judges and Gentlemen:

I compliment you on your having undertaken yet another step to improve the
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manufactured product at the 7-digit level in 1992 and every year thereafter (to the present),

c. Based upon your response to my previous question, would your response to the Item 5(b)(ii) question in Question #4 also be different? YES

Finally, my own observation. I never have understood the Item 5(b)(ii)

instruction, and is described in the Statement of Basis and Purpose adopted by the Commission, would it not be a preferable approach to amend the instruction and amend the SBP? It seems to me that, ultimately, the instructions and the SBP are better devices (to say nothing of being more authoritative) in which to set forth the basic "technical" requirements of the HSR notification program than "style sheets" and "general observations".

I look forward to your reply to my Item 5(b)(ii) questions.

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I AGREE - THE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE FORM ARE CONTRADICTORY

Michael [Signature]
5/31/00

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