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Dear Mr. Cohen:

In accordance with your suggestion which you made in our telephone conversation on Wednesday, March 22, 1989, I am writing to request the advice of your office as to the transaction described below.

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consummation of the merger which NEWCO will borrow from Lender.

satisfied. The merger would be consummated within a few weeks.

In order to avoid the delay observance of a waiting

that after the acquisition (but as described below, only upon expiration of the applicable waiting period under the Act) Lender may designate a majority of the Board of NEWCO.

Under the circumstances described above, upon consummation of the acquisition of TARGET, no filing under the Act would technically be required since the acquiror, NEWCO, would have assets and sales of less than \$10 million, and since no

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designation of directors by Lender would constitute an avoidance under Rule 801.90, if you advise that it is appropriate we would propose that before Lender could have a right to designate 50% or more of the Board of NEWCO, that a filing be made by Lender (as ultimate parent of NEWCO) and a waiting period be observed.

Although obtaining the contractual power to designate directors in

methodology would allow NEWCO to consummate the acquisition without observing a waiting period (which it could clearly do absent an agreement regarding designation of directors by Lender)

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Commission believed the right to designate the majority of the than by designation by Lender.

We would appreciate your advice with respect to this matter at your earliest convenience so that we may proceed accordingly. Please call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,