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William J. Schechter Federal Trade Commission Room 311 Sixth and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Mr. Schechter:

This letter provides further information concerning our telephone conversation of Monday, November 18, 1991, in which I requested your advice as to whether the transaction described below is subject to the reporting and waiting period requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act (the "Act").

confirmation that the proposed transaction is nevertheless exempt from the requirements of the Act pursuant to section 7A(c)(1) because it is essentially an acquisition of unimproved realty.

Company A (the "Buyer") is a \$100 million person. Company B (the "Seller") is a \$10 million person. Buyer plans to acquire from Seller an option to purchase land for approximately \$25 million. An approximately 250 room hotel is located on the land. The hotel is currently in operation, but under the terms of the option agreement and related contract of sale, the hotel will no

demolished and the land will be utilized by the Buyer as a paid parking lot. Buyer has no intention of operating the hotel.

This transaction is exempt pursuant to section 7A(c)(1) of

the hotel to the Buyer is that it will have to be demolished. The property therefore clearly should be treated as unimproved realty for purposes of the section 7A(c)(1) exemption.

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The parties to this transaction require an answer as soon as nossible. Please call me to discuss whether you saree with our

waiting period requirements of the Act. If you have any questions prior to your determination, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

told that his transaction was next exempt. CU-S. discussed

and they concurred