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FROM: THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

TO: <u>Mr. Loss</u>

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Mr. McEntire's office brought this to us. The Chm. suggested it be sent to you. I told Peg Carter, Mr. McEntire's secretary, you would get in touch with nerg shortly (her extension is 4241). I believe she plans to send copies of this letter to Mr. McEntire in Cleveland. Would you let me know too — what you think is the proper action to take?? Thank you.

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## Anited States Senate

Committee on Interstate and foreign commerce

August 9, 1949

PERSONAL

Hon. Richard B. McEntire Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D. C.

Dear Dick:

I am enclosing a copy of S. J. Res. 58, a copy of a letter written by Chairman Johnson of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, and a copy of the reply of your Commission.

Your Commission missed the boat entirely. You are not, of course, concerned with the subject matter of S. J. Res. 58.

> You are concerned in that this is an effort to supersede the findings of quasi-judicial commissions by subsequent legislative action. If this Resolution should become a law and establish a precedent, the SEC could never operate on a solid basis. Neither could any other Commission.

Your Commission should go into a huddle and write a letter back to the Interstate Commerce Committee — not as to the merits of the subject matter but the awful effect of establishing such a precedent. It is a matter of great importance to all commissions of your kind and you had better get on record. It is only my opposition that is holding the matter up. The Committee had agreed to report it out when I came into the picture and objected.

With my best wishes, I am

Cordially yours, Clyde M. Reed

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