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Ms. Beth L. Climo Executive Director American Bankers Insurance Association 1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20036

Mr. James D. McLaughlin Director Regulatory and Trust Affairs American Bankers Association 1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20036

Re: Insurance Consumer Protection Rules

Dear Ms. Climo and Mr. McLaughlin:

On April 3, 2001, you forwarded to our agencies a list of questions relating to the insurance consumer protection rules implementing section 305 of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. Enclosed are our responses to your questions.

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| Sincerely, | |
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