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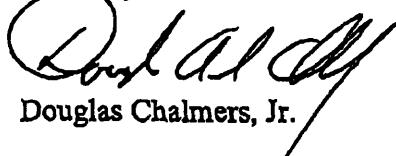
Re: MUR 5402

Dear Federal Election Commission:

As you are aware, J. Randolph Evans and I represent respondent Eric J. Tanenblatt in connection with the above-referenced matter under review. On behalf of Mr. Tanenblatt, please treat this as a request for an extension of thirty (30) days, until Monday, March 8, 2004, for Mr. Tanenblatt to file his response to the complaint filed by George Anderson. The basis for this request is that Mr. Tanenblatt and his attorneys need this time in order properly to review and process the large volume of material attached as exhibits to the complaint.

I would appreciate it if you would let me know as soon as possible whether this request will be granted. I can be reached at phone number 404-527-4673, fax number 404-527-4198 and at dchalmers@mckennalong.com. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Douglas Chalmers, Jr.

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