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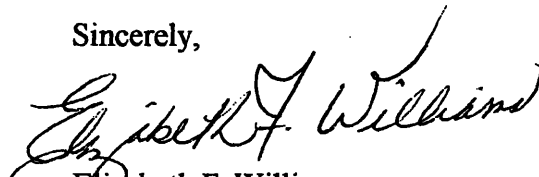
RE: MUR 5197
(Freddie Mac)

Dear Mr. Keefer:

This is in response to your facsimile dated April 30, 2001, which we received on that day, requesting an extension of 30 days until June 11, to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of the General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on June 11, 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,


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