

THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

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Mr. Richard B. Madden Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Potlatch Corporation P.O. Box 3591 San Francisco, California 94119-3591

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your letter of February 12, 1987, regarding the "one-share, one-vote" issue at the SEC.

As a committed "deregulator," I share your concerns about some of the issues you raise, especially the question of imposing new federal rules in areas traditionally regulated by the states. At the same time, we must be alert to state efforts that burden interstate commerce by impeding the free flow of capital.

I do not know what the right answer is, but I have confidence that our appointees at the SEC will strike the right balance. In any event, the SEC is an independent agency, beyond our direction.

Sincerely,

George Bush