

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE

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ALAN GREENSPAN CHAIRMAN

The Honorable William Proxmire Chairman Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the Board, I want to thank you for your letter of August 11 regarding the Board's proposed regulations to implement the provisions of the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987 ("CEBA") and, in particular, your discussion of the Congressional intent underlying the nonbank bank grandfather provisions and the Board's role in implementing them.

The Board has received substantial written comments on the proposed rules and, in addition, held a hearing on the rules on July 29, 1988, to provide a further opportunity for interested parties to present their views. The Board appreciates receiving your comments regarding the proposed rules. They have been included in the record of those proceedings and will be considered by the Board during its deliberations on the final rule.

I will be pleased to let you know the results of the Board's deliberations.

Sincerely.

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