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2 the use of the proprietary information for the purposes of this hearing.

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5 A. The publisher, Regulatory Research Associates, Inc., was contacted for  
6 permission to copy and distribute the requested material but we were refused  
7 such permission. See copy of letter attached.



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Sincerely,

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