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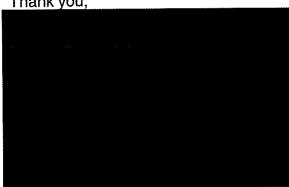
To: Subject: Verne, B. Michael foreign JV question

Dear Mike,

I am examining a transaction in which two foreign entities will contribute ongoing businesses to a newly formed joint venture (to be formed as a corporation), also foreign. After the businesses are contributed, the new joint venture will not have US revenues or US assets greater than \$53.1 million. However, one of the parent entities does have US revenues above \$53.1 million.

It seems to me that since the acquired entity here (the JV) does not meet the threshold under 802.51, no filing would be required. Can you confirm? Bluelos Barelos

Thank you,



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