

## Via Telecopy and U.S. Mail

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Treatment of Voting Securities keld by Estate of Deceased Spouse

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the oral advice you gave me concerning the attribution of voting securities between a natural person and the estate of such person's deceased spouse under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 and the regulations Dear Mr. Rubenstein: promulgated thereunder. You confirmed the FTC's position to be that the voting securities held by the estate of a deceased natural person would not be aggregated with the voting securities held by the spouse of the deceased for the purpose of determining the percentage of voting securities held by the estate and the surviving spouse under the definitions of "control" and "hold" neid by the estate and the surviving spouse under the definitions of "control" and "noid" (16 C.F.R. \$\$801.1(b) and (c)). You stated that the estate was considered to be a separate entity and that any artifician harmon and an artificial and that any artifician harmon and an artificial and that any artifician harmon and artificial and that any artificial and that any artificial and that any artificial and the survivial and that the estate was considered to be a separate entity and that any artificial and the survivial and the surviv and that any attribution between spouses ended upon the death of one of the spouses. In and that any authorition between spouses chieff upon the death of one of the spouses. In rendering this advice, you were aware that the surviving spouse is a personal representative of the estate, will be a beneficiary during her lifetime of the trust that will hold the shares under the

deceased's will, and will also be a co-trustee of such trust. if you do not agree with my restatement of your oral Please call me at

advice.

Very truly yours,

JS & RS agree