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Dear Hal,

As you probably know, Dolan didn't call. I made it a point to be home, in the house and near the phone for all the hours of his yesterday's and today's broadcasts. And each day was a fine one for me to get a little outside work in. I didn't leave at all yesterday, and when I had to leave today, I arranged to be back an hour and a half before he broadcasts.

I had also taken the time to prepare somewhat, going over both parts of COUP, marking pages and documents so I could find them rapidly, even taking time for a few notes to remind me not to forget.

He could have changed his mind or something could have come up. But I did get ready for him (and I never take the time from work to do this). I also kept the phone free and arranged other transportation for Lil, for her quitting and his broadcasting times coincide.

I'm not complaining or anything like that. I just want you to know it was not from my end that your arrangements didn't go through.

Paul will tell you and Jim, if he hasn't already, but I really do not want it to go further. The panel doctors also destroyed their drafts! Incredible but true. I have it in writing from Fisher as his reason for not letting me have copies (or the government not). I love these guys who whore with words as they do with their responsibilities.

Thanks for the try with Joe. It might have sparked some interest in COUP. I expect to be home most of next week (not Wednesday, when I see Tom Kelley), and I'll arrange my schedule, to the degree I can, to be near the phone when Joe is on. However, I'll be leaving to pick Lil up daily about 1:45 p.m. your time. Unless she hits a snag we'll be home after 2:15, usually before 2:30. But you know the tax situation, she can get snagged.

I hear Dave is selling N.O. transcripts. Do you know which ones, how much he is charging, and how he got them?

Best,