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TO J.F. Ryan

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FROM E.J. Gerrity

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SUBJECT

Urgent

John:

As a follow-up to what we did Friday with Colson et al in re antitrust it is important that Bob Schmidt, Dita Beard, Horner-Goodrich, and whomever else should be aware, that we acquaint key people with what happened last Tuesday, followed by the Chaffetz meeting on Thursday, plus our actions on Friday. The purpose is not to have these people act but to have them informed so that they may be ready to act--if needed.

I discussed this with Bill Merriam and Tom Casey and Ed Wallace is aboard here. (Keith is en route to Rio with Hendrix for a two-week visit.) Dita, for example, should brief Rog, Bob et al. Schmidt and the rest, Ray and Bert, will know what to do and Jack and Bernie should be aware and keep their ears open in re what is happening to "Mac," the key to the whole thing.

Bill McPike should be intimately aware and I ask that you and Tom Casey review this closely with him and confirm to me or Ed Wallace that this has been done. I will give you every available input from this end. And, Tom, don't forget Kevin. I'll call Jack today.

One last key reminder: when Hal saw John, he commented on the Savannah speech of June 6, 1969 to this effect: We do not say that bigness is bad; we said that if you merge within the top 200 you may have antitrust problems. Some mergers are good. It is interesting and important that we note that Mac is more responsive to Hart and Celler than to John and the President. It is also important to remember that Chaffetz went to Mac at the suggestion of Judge Austin to see if an agreement could be worked out. Our job is to keep reporting what is happening.

cc: Beard, Casey, Schmidt, Goodrich, Horner, Wallace, Perkins

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