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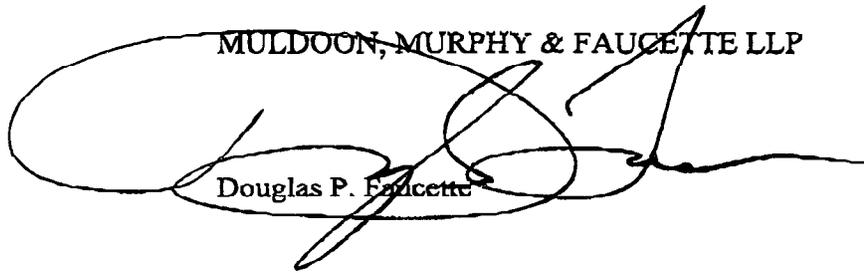
Dear Sir/Madam:

We respectfully request that the Office of Thrift Supervision grant a 30 to 60 day extension of the comment period on its notice of proposed rulemaking affecting 12 C.F.R. Parts 563b and 575, *Mutual Savings Associations, Mutual Holding Company Reorganizations, and Conversions from Mutual to Stock Form*. We believe the agency would benefit from an extension of the comment period because it will afford all institutions and other interested parties more time to prepare meaningful comments on this significant and far ranging proposal. Although we are prepared to comment by the current October 10th deadline, we have canvassed our client base and found that many clients are unprepared to comment by that date.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions regarding this matter. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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