Mr. Charles Morgan Acxiom 301 Industrial Blvd Conway, AR 72032

Dear Mr. Morgan:

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Michael Madison President-Arkansas/Louisiana AEP Southwest Electric Power Company P.O. Box 21105 Shreveport, LA 71156-0001

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Mr. Jerry Davis Affiliated Foods P O Box 3627 Little Rock, AR 72203

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Ms. Sarah Teague Manager Alabama State Docks P.O. Box 1588 Mobile, AL 36633-1588

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Mr. Joe Ford Chairman & CEO Alltel Corporation One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202

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Mr. Charles Mueller Chairman, President & CEO Ameren Corporation P. O. Box 66149 St. Louis, MO 63166

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Ms. Kathy Johnson Manager, Corporate Outreach America Online 22000 AOL Way Dulles, VA 20166

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Mr. Timothy Mosher President American Electric Power Company PO Box 5190 Frankfort, KY 40602-5190

Dear Mr. Mosher:

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Ricky Shelby American Gas Association 400 N. Capitol Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20001

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Michael Wolfe Senior Director Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc. 3400 Peachtree Road, NE, Suite 1025 Atlanta, GA 30326

Dear Mr. Wolfe:

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Mr. J. Lacy Vice President Ashland Inc. P.O. Box 391 Ashland, KY 41012-0391

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Clark Plexico North Carolina Vice President AT&T 150 Fayetteville Street Mall Raleigh, NC 27601

Dear Mr. Plexico:

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Ms. Kimmie McNeil-Vaulx Manager, Corporate Contributions AutoZone, Inc. P.O. Box 2198 Memphis, TN 38101

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Very truly yours,

Ms. Betty Turner Bank of America 100 N. Tyron Street, 18th Floor Charlotte, NC 28255

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Mr. John McCoy Chairman & CEO Bank One Corporation 100 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43271

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Mr. Kelly King President BB&T Corporation 200 W. 2nd Street Winston Salem, NC 27101

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Mr. Jim Breedlove Director BellSouth Corporation 1155 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30309

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Mr. Herschel Abbott, Jr. Vice President BellSouth Corporation 1133 21st Street, NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20036

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Mr. Tom Vander Ark Executive Director for Education Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation PO Box 23350 Seattle, WA 98102

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Bob Cabe Blue Cross/Blue Shield P O Box 1489 Little Rock, AR 72203

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Mr. Edward Sellers President & CEO BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina I-20 East at Alpine Road/Mail Code AX210 Columbia, SC 29219-0001

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Mr. Helmut Leube President BMW Manufacturing Corp. P.O. Box 11000 Spartanburg, SC 29304

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Ms. Bernice Csaszar Administrator Bridgestone/Firestone Trust Fund 50 Century Boulevard Nashville, TN 37214

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Ms. Pat LaFollette Regional Manager Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation P.O. Box 35090 Louisville, KY 40230

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Mr. Elliott Franks President & CEO Business Carolina, Inc. P.O. Box 8327 Columbia, SC 29202

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Mr. Mack Whittle Chairman and CEO Carolina First Bank P.O. Box 1029 Greenville, SC 29602-1029

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Ms. Hilda Pinnix-Ragland Vice President Carolina Power & Light Company P.O. Box 1551 Raleigh, NC 27602

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Mr. Richard Kaminsky Director, Investor Relations CHS Electronics 2000 N.W. 84th Avenue Miami, FL 33122

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Mr. Ron Burleson Vice President, State Relations Cingular Wireless 5565 Glenridge Drive, Suite 1710 Atlanta, GA 30342

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Mr. Greg Blum Region Manager Cisco Systems, Inc. 2424 Edenborn, Suite 550 Metairie, LA 70001

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Mr. Paul Ostergard Chairman & CEO, Citigroup Foundation Citigroup 153 E. 53rd Street, Third Floor New York, NY 10043

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Mr. Forrest Jenkins Citizens Bank P O Box 300 Marion, AR 72364

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Dr. William Harmon President & CEO Columbia Natural Resources P.O. Box 6070 Charleston, WV 25362

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Mike Wilson Comcast 802 S. Scott Little Rock, AR 72201

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Mr. William Fox Senior Vice President Consolidated Natural Gas Company 625 Liberty Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15222-3199

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Mr. Bill Condon Conwood Company 813 Ridge Lake Blvd. Memphis, TN 38101

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Mr. Daniel Green Resident Vice President CSX Transportation 1201 Main Street, Suite 1980 Columbia, SC 29201

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Mr. Keith Conine Deloitte & Touche 111 Center Street Little Rock, AR 72201

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Mr. Harold Bevis Vice President, Public Affairs Delta AirLines, Inc. P.O. Box 20706 Atlanta, GA 30320

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Mr. Christopher Carter Director Duke Energy Foundation P.O. Box 1009 Charlotte, NC 28201-1009

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Mr. Neal Coffey Director Duke Energy North America 696 Black Branch Road Malvern, AR 72104

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Ms. Lis Joyner EDS 500 E. Markham Little Rock, AR 72201

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Ms. Victoria Cameron-Carlson Manager EMC Corporation 35 Parkwood Drive Hopkinton, MA 01748

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Ms. JoAnn Harmon Senior Vice President Emerson Electric Co. Post Office Box 4100 Saint Louis, MO 63136-8506

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Mr. John Kennedy Director Entergy Arkansas P.O. Box 551 Little Rock, AR 72203

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Mr. Gary Silbert Manager, External Affairs Entergy Corporation P.O. Box 61000 New Orleans, LA 70161

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Mr. Doug Buttrey FDX Management/Government Affairs Federal Express Corporation P.O. Box 727 Memphis, TN 38194

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Mr. Edward Crutchfield Chief Executive Officer First Union Corporation One First Union Center Charlotte, NC 28288-0013

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Mr. George Penick President Foundation for the Mid South 308 East Pearl Street, 2nd Floor Jackson, MS 39201

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Mr. Frank Fletcher Frank Fletcher & Associates, Inc. 808 Silverwood Trail N. Little Rock, AR 72118

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Mr. Hirokuni Watanabe President Fuji Photo Film, Inc. P. O. Box 1306 Greenwood, SC 29648

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Mr. Steve Miller Corporate Contributions Gateway, Inc. 4545 Towne Centre Drive San Diego, CA 92121

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Ms. Lindsey Harris Georgia Power Company BIN 10240 241 Ralph McGill Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30308

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Mr. Brent Stevenson Georgia-Pacific Corporation 3001 JFK, Suite B N. Little Rock, AR 72116

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Mr. John Silk Executive Vice President Georgia Telephone Association 1900 Century Boulevard, Suite 8 Atlanta, GA 30345

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Mr. Jack Graham Area Vice President GlaxoSmithKline 3 Ravinia Drive Atlanta, GA 30346

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Mr. Ken Roche Gulf States Toyota 109 North Post Oak Lane, #600 Houston, TX 77024

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Ms. Karen Caster Manager, Community Development Hallmark Cards, Inc. 2501 McGee Street Kansas City, MO 64108

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Mr. Phillip Farmer Chairman, President & CEO Harris Corporation 1025 West NASA Boulevard Melbourne, FL 32919

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Mr. Red Hudson Hudson Foods P O Box 777 Rogers, AR 72757

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Mr. David Benevides Vice President, Regional Community Relations IBM P. O. Box 12195 Durham, NC 27709

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Ms. Janet Caldow Executive Director IBM Institute for Electronic Government 1301 K Street, NW, Suite 4000 West Tower Washington, DC 20005

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Ms. Jean Neel Manager, Public & Governmental Affairs Inco Alloys Int'l P.O. Box 1958 Huntington, WV 25720

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Mr. Mike Medlock Insurance Network P O Box 9180 Jonesboro, AR 72403

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Mr. Michael Maibach Vice President Intel Corporation 1634 Eye Street, NW, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20006

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Mr. Robert Morgan Vice President, Human Resources Interim Services 2050 Spectrum Boulevard Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

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Mr. W. Thomas Senior Vice President, Public Affairs & Communications International Paper Company Two Manhattanville Road Purchase, NY 10577

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Mr. Kirk Thompson J. B. Hunt Transportation Company 615 J. B. Hunt Corp. Drive Lowell, AR 72745

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Mr. Michael Joshua J. M. Products, Inc. 2501 State St. Little Rock, AR 72206

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Mr. Jack Kinnaman Kinco Construction 15617 Chenal Parkway Little Rock, AR 72211

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Very truly yours,

Ms. Phyllis Liebman Manager, Public Relations Lexmark International 740 New Circle Road NW Lexington, KY 40511

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Mr. Thomas Schueck Chair and CEO Lexicon, Inc. P.O. Box 16390 Little Rock, AR 72231

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Mr. Alex Lieblong Lieblong Associates P O Box 24520 Little Rock, AR 72221

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Mr. Tom Cognetti Lockheed Martin Corporation 12506 Lake Underhill Road, M / P 425 Orlando, FL 32825

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Mr. Clint Quencer CEO Logan Telephone Cooperative 103 E. Main Street Auburn, KY 42206

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Mr. Tom Rabon Vice President, Global Public Affairs Lucent Technologies 2000 Regency Parkway Cary, NC 27511

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Mr. J. Simmons Marshall University 100 Angus Peyton Drive, Room 108 South Charleston, WV 25303

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Mr. Charles Mazander Mazander Properties P O Box 945 Benton, AR 72018

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Mr. J. Bryan, III Chairman, President & CEO Media General, Inc. 333 East Franklin Street Richmond, VA 23219

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Mr. William Taylor President & CEO Mercedes-Benz U.S. International, Inc. PO Box 100 Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

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Mr. Robert Kincaid Merck & Company 5175 Granny White Pike Nashville, TN 37220

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Mr. Michael Fanning Vice President Michelin North America, Inc. One Parkway South Greenville, SC 29615

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Mr. James Micali Chairman, President & CEO Michelin North America, Inc. One Parkway South Greenville, SC 29615

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Mr. Bruce Brooks Director, Community Affairs Microsoft Corporation One Microsoft Way Redmond, WA 98052-6399

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Mr. Joseph Driskill Director Missouri Department of Economic Development P.O. Box 1157 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1157

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Mr. Scott Landess Public Sector Development Manager Modis, Inc. 2809 Emerywood Parkway, Suite 380 Richmond, VA 23294

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Mr. Irby Simpkins President MTM Company P.O. Box 150829 Nashville, TN 37215-0829

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Mr. Madison Murphy Murphy Oil 200 N. Jefferson, Suite 400 El Dorado, AR 71730

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Mac VanHorn MVH Corporation P O Box 1288 Russellville, AR 72811

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Mr. Greg Nabholz Nabholz Properties P O Box 2090 Conway, AR 72032

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Richard Smith Newbridge Networks 100 Mansell Court, Suite 100 Roswell, GA 30076

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Ms. Meredyth Sauter Nextel Communications Inc. 4340 East West Highway, Suite 800 Bethesda, MD 20814

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Mr. Mike McClure Vice President, Corporate Communications Nokia Telecommunications Inc. 6000 Connection Drive Irving, TX 75039

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Mr. James Granum Vice President, Public Affairs Norfolk Southern Corporation 1500 K Street, NW, Suite 375 Washington, DC 20005

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Mr. William Carper Resident Vice President Norfolk Southern Railway Company 800 Princeton Avenue Bluefield, WV 24701

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Mr. Tom Goff Director, International Marketing and Business Development Nortel P.O. Box 13010 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

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Ms. Mary Gordon Nortel Networks 801 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20004

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Ms. Rosalie Gann Director, Corporate Contributions Oracle Corporation 500 Oracle Parkway Redwood Shores, CA 94065

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Mr. Bob Gaddy Pace Industries P O Box 309 Fayetteville, AR 72702

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Mr. Michael Naylor Senior Vice President PepsiAmericas, Inc. 2221 Democrat Road Memphis, TN 38132

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Ms. Betsy Giles
Phillip Morris Management Company
1005 Congress Ave., Suite 850
Austin, TX 78701

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Ms. Carol Talbot Associate Director, Contributions Proctor and Gamble Company Post Office Box 599 Cincinnati, OH 45202

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Mr. Keith Glover Producer's Rice Mill P O Box 461 Stuttgart, AR 72160

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Ms. Hilda Pinnix-Ragland Vice President Progress Energy P.O. Box 1551 Raleigh, NC 27601

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Mr. Darrell Hollinger Regional Director Public Affairs Verizon Wentzville, MO 63385

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Mr. Greer Monin Account Manager Qwest Communications 3625 Brookside Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30022

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Mr. Eric Barkley Reliant Energy Arkla P O Box 751 Little Rock, AR 72203

Dear Mr. Barkley:

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Mr. Bill Reed Riceland P O Box 927 Stuggart, AR 72160

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Mr. Don Herriott President Roche Carolina, Inc. 6173 East Old Marion Hwy Florence, SC 29506

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Mr. Bob Salvucci President SAP Public Sector and Education 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20004

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Mr. Jim Burwell
Manager, Governmental Affairs & Community Development
SCANA Corporation
1426 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29201

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Mr. William Timmerman Chairman, President & CEO SCANA Corporation 1426 Main Street Columbia, SC 29201

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Mr. Doug Reeves Finance Director South Carolina Employment Security Commission 1550 Gadsden Street Columbia, SC 29202

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Mr. A. Sapp, Jr. President & CEO SCI Systems 2101 W. Clinton Avenue Huntsville, AL 35805

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Mr. Ben Cole Senior Vice President Santee Cooper One Riverwood Drive Moncks Corner, SC 29461-2901

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Mr. John Leeper Smokeless Tobacco Council 1627 K, NW, #700 Washington, D. C. 20006

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Mr. Ted Snider Snider Corporation P O Box 4189 Little Rock, AR 72214

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Mr. Bernard Groseclose President and CEO South Carolina State Ports Authority P.O. Box 22287 Charleston, SC 29413-2287

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Mr. Warren Jobe Senior VP, Corporate Development Southern Company 270 Peachtree Street, NW Atlanta, GA 30303

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Mr. Jim Epperson President Southwestern Bell - Oklahoma 800 North Harvey Oklahoma City, OK 73102

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Ms. Betty Turner Vice President, Public Affairs Springs Industries, Inc. P.O. Box 70 Fort Mill, SC 29716

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Mr. Ricky Daye Manager Sprint Corporation P.O. Box 11315 Kansas City, MO 64112

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Mr. David Thomas Executive Director Sprint Foundation 2330 Shawnee Mission Parkway Westwood, KS 66205

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Mr. Stan Moseley President Telescan, Inc. 204 1/2 W. Oakland Ave. Johnson City, TN 37602

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Robin Stone Director, State & Local Government Relations The Boeing Company 1700 North Moore Street Rosslyn Center, 20th and 21st Floors Rosslyn, VA 22209

Dear Mr. Stone:

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Mr. Matt Echols The Coca Cola Company P.O. Box 1734 Atlanta, GA 30301

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Ms. Laurie Lyons
Director of Corporate Communications
Thomas Industries, Inc.
4360 Brownboro Road, Suite 300
Louisville, KY 40207

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Mr. Michael Thompson President Thompson Tractor Company, Inc. 2401 Pinson Highway Birmingham, AL 35202

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Mr. Don Tilton Tilco P O Box 75608 Little Rock, AR 72201

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Mr. James Wiseman Vice President, External Affairs Toyota Motor Manufacturing North America, Inc. 25 Atlantic Avenue Erlanger, KY 41018-3151

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Mr. Gary Convis President Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky, Inc. 1001 Cherry Blossom Way Georgetown, KY 40324

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Mr. Archie Schaffer, III Director of Media, Public & Governmental Affairs Tyson Foods, Inc. P. O. Box 2020 Springdale, AR 72765

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Mr. Kevin Crass Union Pacific 400 W. Capitol, Suite 2000 Little Rock, AR 72201

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Mr. Ronald Morgan Vice President, Sales & New Markets US LEC of North Carolina Transamerica Square, Suite 1000 401 N. Tryon Street Charlotte, NC 28202

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Ms. Eva Teig Vice President, Public Affairs VA Power/NC Power P.O. Box 26666 Richmond, VA 23261

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Mr. Ron Drew Director Verizon P.O. Box 110 Tampa, FL 33601

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Mr. Steve Toler Verizon 41000 Roxboro Road Durham, NC 27704

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Mr. Robert Virtue Virco Manufacturing P O Box 5000 Conway, AR 72032

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Mr. Bill Dunn, Jr. Senior Vice President Wachovia Corporation 191 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303

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Mr. Ronald Ottavio Senior Vice President Wachovia Bank, N.A. 150 Fayetteville Street Mall Raleigh, NC 27601

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Mr. Jim Walton Wal-Mart P O Box 1860 Bentonville, AR 72712

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Mr. Jay Allen Vice President, Corporate Affairs Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. 702 W. Eighth Street Bentonville, AR 72716

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Mr. Edward George President and Chief Executive Officer WesBanco, Inc. 1 Bank Plaza Wheeling, WV 26003-3562

Dear Mr. George:

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Robert Pedde President Westinghouse Savannah River Company 703A, A-245 Aiken, SC 29808

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Mr. Laurence Milov President West Virginia High Technology Consortium Foundation 1000 Technology Drive Fairmont, WV 26554

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Mr. Robert Zuelsdorf President & CEO Wilbur Smith Associates P.O. Box 92 Columbia, SC 29202

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Very truly yours,

Ms. Karen Carey Attorney Womble Carlyle One West Fourth Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101

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Very truly yours,

Dr. Teresa Chasteen President Worldwide Interactive Network (WIN) 1000 Waterford Place Kingston, TN 37763

Dear Dr. Chasteen:

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Mr. Larry Estra Government Affairs Manager Hewlett-Packard Company 900 17th Street NW, Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20006

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Ms. Jennifer Taylor SE Regional Manager Monsanto 2606 Timber Creek Circle Roswell, GA 30076

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Kenneth L. Keefe Director, Government Affairs Avaya 1450 G. Street, NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005

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Ms. Sandy Beaty Assistant Director, Governmental Relations Pfizer 3200 West End Avenue, Suite 500 Nashville, TN 37203

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Mr. Gary Blalack Executive Manager, State Government Affairs GlaxoSmithKline 513 Cherrywood Point Franklin, TN 37064

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Mr. Dean Deyo President, Mid South Division Time Warner Communications 6555 Quince Road, Suite 400 Memphis, TN 38119

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Mr. Trey Paris Manager, Government Relations General Electric Company 4200 Wildwood Parkway Atlanta, GA 30339

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Ms. Debbie Hayes Senior Regional Manager, State Government Relations Aventis 5417 Chevaux Court Little Rock, AR 72223

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Mr. Cliff Harris President ETG Communications 3300 Oak Lawn, Suite 650 Dallas, TX 75219

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Ms. Carolyn Shanks CEO Entergy Mississippi P.O. Box 1640 Jackson, MS 39215

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Mr. Matt Holliman CEO Mississippi Valley Gas P.O. Box 3348 Jackson, MS 392007

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Mr. Charles Pace Blue Cross/Blue Shield P.O. Box 1043 Jackson, MS 39215

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Mr. Den Knecht Northrop Grumman P.O. Box 149 Pascagoula, MS 39568

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Very truly yours,

Mr. Jerry Abdalla President Croft Metals P.O. Box 826 McComb, MS 39649

Dear Mr. Abdalla:

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Mr. Roy Anderson, III President and CEO Roy Anderson Corp P.O. Box 2 Gulfport, MS 39502

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Mr. Ben Puckett President Puckett Machinery P.O. Box 3170 Jackson, MS 39207

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Mr. Fred Carl President & CEO Viking Range 111 West Front Street Greenwood, MS 38930

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Mr. W. A. Taylor President The Taylor Group 650 N. Church Avenue Louisville, MS 39339

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Mr. W. G. Yates CEO/President Yates Construction P.O. Box 456 Philadelphia, MS 39350

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Mr. Dan Grafton President & CEO Raytheon Aerospace 555 Industrial Drive South Madison, MS 39110

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Mr. Charles Doty CEO Lexitron P.O. Box 23971 Jackson, MS 39225

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Mr. John McCullough President BellSouth P.O. Box 811 Jackson, MS 39205

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Mr. Billy Howard CEO President Howard Industries P.O. Box 1588 Laurel, MS 39441

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Mr. Bill Lampton President ERGON P.O. Box 1639 Jackson, MS 39215

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Mr. Don Mason Director of State Government Relations Mississippi Power Company P.O. Box 4079 Gulfport, MS 39502

Dear Mr. Mason:

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Mr. Matt Echols Manager, State Governmental Relations Coca-Cola North America P.O. Drawer 1734 Atlanta, GA 30301

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Ms. Karen Gillespie Associate Director Bristol-Meyers Squibb Company P.O. Box 5200 Princeton, NJ 8543

Dear Ms. Gillespie:

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Mr. Blake Poole General Manager - Public Affairs Delta Air Lines P.O. Box 20706 Atlanta, GA 30320

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Mr. Jim Ruda Senior Policy Advisor Intuit 55 Airport Road Dudley, MA 1571

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Mr. Harry Winters Vice President, Public Affairs UPS 316 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, 3rd Floor Washington, DC 20003

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Mr. Steve Renfroe Chevron, USA, Inc. P.O. Box 1300 Pascagoula, MS 39568

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Mr. Brian Farhenholdt Duke Energy 5400 Westheimer Court Houston, TX 77056

Dear Mr. Farhenholdt:

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This conference presents a great opportunity to position Duke Energy with the governors, legislators, corporate executives, and economic development experts who are shaping the future of the South. Because of your strong business presence in the South, I sincerely hope you will be a generous sponsor. Your contribution will enable you to play a significant, highly visible role in the Conference. The enclosed package provides information about the benefits Duke Energy can receive as a sponsor.

Please take a few minutes and consider investing in your business and our region's future by becoming a sponsor of **The Southern Leadership Summit**. A member of our conference development team will be calling you soon to discuss the conference in more detail. Your support is essential to the success of the conference and the prosperity of our region.

I look forward to seeing you this June in Biloxi.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Ken Phelps Lockheed Martin 1725 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 300 Arlington, VA 22202

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Ms. Adrienne Spencer Sr. Area Manager- State Government AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals 3371 State Street Drive New Orleans, LA 70125

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This conference presents a great opportunity to position AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals with the governors, legislators, corporate executives, and economic development experts who are shaping the future of the South. Because of your strong business presence in the South, I sincerely hope you will be a generous sponsor. Your contribution will enable you to play a significant, highly visible role in the Conference. The enclosed package provides information about the benefits AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals can receive as a sponsor.

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Ms. Grace Terpstra American Forest & Paper 1111 19th St., NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20036

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Mr. Larry Kirk CEO Hancock Fabrics P.O. Box 2400 Tupelo, MS 38803

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