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Sent: Friday, August 29, 2008 1:45 PM 08 SEP -2 01:11: 50
To: Lugar, Senator (Lugar)
Subject: Proposed SEC Rule 151A

Dear Senator Lugar:

I hope your trip is safe, successful, and meaningful to your mission.

We, Hoosiers, are in debt to you and your service to this nation and our State. However, I must ask for your help regarding a time-sensitive issue...

I know you are out of the country and this may not seem very important in the big picture compared to what the Georgians are going through, but it affects my livelihood. I was hoping yourself or a staff-member could please review the Security and Exchange Commission proposed rule 151A.

The SEC is seeking comments on the proposed rule until **September 10, 2008**.

151A focuses on fixed index annuities, which are fixed annuities regulated by the state department of insurance and sold by licensed insurance agents such as myself. The SEC is seeking to require that all fixed index annuities become registered products sold only through broker-dealer and not by insurance agents. The rule adds no consumer protections not already provided by the state insurance regulation and would in fact undermine many state initiatives concerning sales practices.

On behalf of my family, my clients, and my business I ask of you to please contact SEC Chairman Cox and ask for an extension for the comment period and oppose this unnecessary rule.

If you or a staff member would like any further information on these types of products or how they are used in my office, please advise.

Humbly and Respectfully,
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