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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 1, 2006

TO: Larry Norton, General Counsel and Designated Agency Ethics Official

FROM: Michael E. Toner, Chairman *MT*
Melissa Laurenza, Executive Assistant *ML*

RE: *Ex Parte* Communication

On May 17, 2006, Barbara Block and Russell Smith, counsel to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Political Action Committee, met with me and Melissa Laurenza concerning Advisory Opinion 2006-9. Mr. Smith and Ms. Block stated that they were potentially interested in refiling a revised advisory opinion request on behalf of their clients and sought advice as to how they should proceed. Ms. Laurenza and I discussed previous advisory opinions that may be useful to them.