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Mr. Russell G. Golden Technical Director Financial Accounting Standards Board 401 Merritt 7 P. O. Box 5116 Norwalk, CT 06856

Re: Proposed FSPs FAS 115-a, FAS 124-a & EITF 99-20-b and FSP FAS 157-e

Dear Mr. Golden:

Thank you for allowing us to comment on the referenced proposals relative to OTTI.

I strongly support the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) proposal to provide greater clarity to investors about the credit and noncredit component of an OTTI event as well as how to effectively determine when an OTTI event has occurred.

However, for reasons relative to financial statement comparability and transparency, it would make sense to apply the revised treatment of OTTI on a retroactive basis rather than prospectively as proposed, or to allow for a one-time cumulative catchup adjustment in the first quarter of 2009.

Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

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