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Re: Proposal(s) On Civil Service Commission

Dear Ms. Siemer:

Thank you for the time provided to the Civil Service Commission by Rodney Jacob, one of your staff attorneys, to discuss the proposals relating to Article III, Section 16, and Article XX. Regrettably, the Commission members were unavailable to meet with us to address the July 11th proposal set forth by the Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices. However, we appreciate Mr. Jacob's visit on Tuesday, July 11, 1995, and today, July 12, 1995, to solicit comments and concerns from the Commission.

I direct you to the Commission's June 20, 1995 letter signed by Chairman Eugene Santos. I believe the Commission will have concerns in comparison with what is on the proposal. Most of the concerns stated in the letter were discussed with Mr. Jacob, and other comments I made, I believe, are consistent with the position of the letter.

In reviewing the Committee report on the proposal, we noticed there were sixteen (16) Delegate Proposals considered by the Committee regarding the Articles (III and XX). Specifically, Proposal Nos. 8, 178, 247, 296, 349, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 550, 552, 574, and 568. The Commission was requested to comment only on Proposal Nos. 85 and 273. It submitted its response to these two proposals on June 22, 1995, and was not aware there were others.

The issues before the Con-Con regarding the Commission's status and its Constitutional duties are of high significance to us since they would affect all employees within the system for the next 10 years or so. We therefore respectfully request that the Commission be apprised of further proposals and scheduled hearings. We would like to, at the very least, be able to comment on changes that the Delegates are considering with respect to Articles III (Section 16) and XX.

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Please let us know of any additional proposals received for consideration by the Delegates and of future hearing dates. Again, I thank you for the valuable time with Mr. Jacob. We welcome any opportunity you may provide us to comment or give additional information.

Sincerely,

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