To: Senator
From: Joe
Re: Funding for the Patent and Trademark Office
June 13, 1979
Copies to : Kevin, Tom, Eve, Jim, Mary, Bob

The American Patent Law Association has sent me copies of letters that have been written by many major corporations in support of your efforts to increase the FY 1980 budget for the Patent and Trademark Office. The letters are from Mobil Oil, I.T.T., Pepsi Cola, Honeywell, Anheuser- Busch, Caterpillar Tractor Co., Illinois Tool Works, Inc, and the U.S. Trademark Association. I have attached the letters for your information.

Senator Eagleton's office has indicated that he will vote in support of your amendment to increase funding for the Patent and Trademark Office in Sen. Hollings Subcommittee on State, Justice, and Commerce which will be taking up the Commerce Dept. budget shortly. Eagleton's office said that they have received a lot of favorable mail on your April 12 letter to Senator Hollings outlining the need for increased funding for this office. Senator Schmitt has also apparently indicated that he will support your efforts to increase the Patent and Trademark Office budget.

I think that it would be very helpful if you could talk directly to Senator Hollings before his Subcommittee begins markup of the Commerce budget which might start next week. I have also attached a copy of your letter to Sen. Hollings on the situation that continued underfunding of the Patent and Trademark Office has caused.