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Letter from F. Byset to D.D. Pearsall Re: Testifying for the Chamber of Commerce

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Mr. Duane D. Pearsall  
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Dear Mr. Pearsall:

Knowing of your interest in voluntary standards legislation and hoping that you will be able to testify on behalf of the Chamber, I am enclosing the current version of Senator Abourezk's bill, S. 825.

The hearing dates mentioned in Ivan Elmer's letter of March 18 were postponed and have been rescheduled for April 18, 19, 20 and 25. Your secretary tells me that all of those dates, except April 25, are clear on your calendar. However, the Senate Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly, which will conduct the hearings, has not yet assigned us a date for appearance. If it turns out that we are asked to testify on April 25, Ed Richard has agreed to speak for us. His schedule would not permit an appearance on any of the other three days.

If you can testify for the Chamber, I think the paper which you prepared last year on S. 3555 can be readily adapted to a current statement. It shows an abundance of experience with the very issues raised by Senator Abourezk. And, since you would be speaking from a small business point of view, it should be especially persuasive.

One thing we might do to give the statement added effectiveness would be to describe in detail some of your personal experiences in the standards-making process. We could use this to show that the "Findings of Fact" in Section 3 of the bill do not have a true basis in actual experience.

Again, I hope you will be able to speak on our behalf, and I will call you on Monday, April 11, to talk further about the question.

Sincerely,

Fred Byset  
Executive  
Antitrust and Trade Regulation Committee