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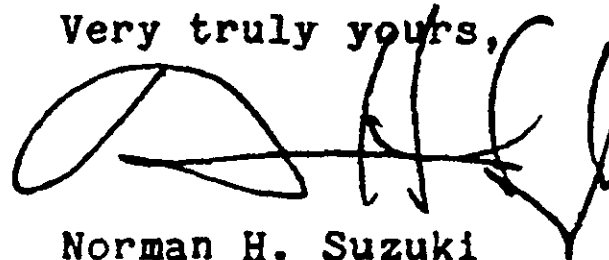
Mr. Michael Brozek
Regional Vice President
The Tobacco Institute
22 N. Carroll Street
State Capitol Square
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Mr. Brozek:

In response to your memorandum of October 27, 1986,
requesting information, I submit:

1. We do not have or at least I am not familiar with a Public Health "Council" which I assume to be a council made up of some members of the public with quasi-legislative powers in the area of smoking regulations. We do have a Department of Health in the State and also in the City and County of Honolulu. The other counties do not appear to have a separate department. The State agency has rule-making authority to regulate smoking in areas or buildings under State control. To the extent such regulations would impact on the public, I do not know the extent of its power and authority. Even if such authority were interpreted to extend beyond State buildings or controlled areas, such rules would not be promulgated without an administrative procedures act which would require a public hearing.
2. I am a member of both the Hawaii and American Bar Association. I am presently not an officer, director or committee member.

Very truly yours,



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