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TO:

Senator DeConcini

FROM:

Laurie Sedimay: [

RE:

Telephone Call to Wall

The following information will be useful for your conversation with Danny Wall.

1. Lincoln Savings is important to Arizona.

-- End of 1987 Lincoln employed 1,300 people in Arizona

- --Lincoln's direct investment in Arizona land and properties was \$763 million at the end of 1987.
- -- The Arizona economy has had a rough few years and Lincoln's demise would only worsen that.
- 2. Keating is trying to sell Lincoln but is running into brick walls at the FHLBB.
 - -- I don't know the details, and don't want to get involved with them, but it seems to benefit everyone best if Lincoln is sold, sooner rather than later.
 - -- The first proposed buyer has been nixed by the Board.
 - -- A buyer already approved by the Board, through the Southwest Plan, (Jim Fails) is a very inversited buyer.
 - --It appears that some low level staff at the Board would prefer to simply let Lincoln wither away rather than take affirmative action.
- 3. I am asking you to intervene directly.

 --I know that you have plenty of problems right now, but I urge you to personally take a quick look at this case and see if it couldn't be resolved quickly.

M. Danny Wall, Chairman Federal Home Loan Bank Board

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