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Terry L. Frakes Regional Director The Tobacco Institute 10106 Hillside North Austin, Texas 78736

Dear Terry:

As per our phone conversation February 12, you'll find below a few examples of labor-industry cooperation on public smoking and tax issues:

- Representatives from the Bakery, Confectionery & Tobacco Workers Union and the Food and Allied Service Trades Dept. of the AFL-CIO testified in opposition to the CAB's 1984 proposal to ban smoking on many commercial flights.
- o Representatives from BC&T and FAST also submitted statements in opposition to earmarking tobacco excises for Medicare.
- o The Maryland State AFL-CIO has testified against workplace smoking legislation.
- o The Pennsylvania State AFL-CIO has in the past transmitted BC&T's opposition to smoking restriction legislation to the lawmakers there.
- Confectionery workers testified in opposition to Suffolk County, N.Y.'s workplace law. Members of the SEIU generated telegrams in support of the industry position.
- Ted Dombrowski, president of the Erie (Pa.) Central
 Labor Committee, visited newspaper and television editors to speak against a November 1984 workplace smoking ballot question. Support also came from the Teamsters Union and the Pennsylvania State Federation.

In addition to these examples, I understand Bill Trisler is working with labor in Indiana, and Dennis Dyer in Maine. I have no specifics.

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Terry, the BC&T headquarters tells me there are locals in Téxas who have worked with them in the past. They would prefer those contacts be made through them. Please let me know if you'd like this done.

Cordially,

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