CONFIDENTIAL: MINNESOTA TOBACCO LITIGATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

HOWARD LIEBENGOOD

FROM:

FRED PANZER

SUBJECT:

LABOR BRIEFING PAPER

As discussed with you, and following up on Bill Kloepfer's conversation, I have completed a short briefing paper for your meeting with Labor representatives on Thursday.

The paper is organized in two cuts: (a) an analysis of the legislation impacting the tobacco industry (b) a short run down on the effect on labor.

As agreed, this paper can be supplemented by a set of documents, e.g., the bills, TI issue papers, etc. We can include as much or as little as necessary.

You will notice that while I included in the legislation run a report on the legislation affect the tobacco support program, I did not provide any comparable comment on labor's stake. The reason is that I can't see any in particular. In addition, this area is extemely murky in so far as an industry position is concerned that I would recommend that it be omitted. The industry position is in fact highly reactive: we will support any program that the growers can finally agree on.

cc William Kloepfer