Dear Colleagues,

Re. NAFTA Arbitration
Methanex Corporation v. United States of America

First, I acknowledge safe receipt of the letters dated 6th April, 7th April and 14th April 2004 from Methanex and the letter dated 6th April 2004 from the United States.

Second, in the circumstances, the Disputing Parties are invited to respond in writing to the “amici” submissions by 23rd April 2004 (being also the date for the USA’s Rejoinder); and as regards the further written submissions dated 30th January 2004 of the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico made pursuant to NAFTA Article 1128, the Tribunal likewise invites the Disputing Parties to respond in writing by 23rd April 2004.

Yours Sincerely,

V. V. Veeder

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