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Re: <u>United States of America v.</u>, <u>et al.</u>, CV 07-

Dear Mr. Sticht:

In regard to your letter dated May 22, 2008 concerning a possible defendants' motion regarding the applicability of a California statute of limitations on a fraudulent transfer, please be advised that the United States is not bound by state statutes of limitations or laches in enforcing its rights. <u>United States v. Summerlin</u>, 310 U.S. 414, 416, 60 S.Ct. 1019, 1020, 84 L.Ed. 1283 (1940); <u>United States v. First National Bank</u>, 652 F.2d 882, 890 (9th Cir.1981); <u>United States v. Weintraub</u>, 613 F.2d 612, 618-19 (6th Cir.1979), cert. denied, 447 U.S. 905, 100 S.Ct. 2987, 64 L.Ed.2d 854 (1980).

Based on the clear authority of the United States Supreme Court, we would consider such a motion to be frivolous and in violation of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11.

Very truly yours,

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