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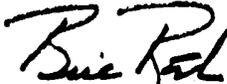
Dear Dr. Herdman:

Thank you again for the fine report, Information Security and Privacy In Network Environments. As you may recall, that report was prepared in response to our interest in how government policies must adapt to changes in communications network technologies that affect the privacy and economic livelihood of every American. The report highlights key issues and makes recommendations that should serve as the basis for hearings and legislation. Towards that end, we are writing to ask for your assistance in working with our staff to follow-up and develop further the findings of the report.

We would appreciate it if the project director, Ms. Joan Winston, be provided sufficient staff and resources to assist our staff in preparing for hearings and subsequent legislation. In particular, we request analytical support on policy requirements and alternatives, including further insights in computer network security problems that affect the survivability and reliability of such networks. In addition, the Committee needs information gathered from industry, government agencies, and other sources in response to issues raised in the report, including relevant implications of emerging technology. In carrying out this request, we would also like the Office of Technology Assessment to host a meeting with representatives of industry, government, and academia to discuss the findings of the report.

The Office of Technology Assessment report underscores the fact that much more work must be done. There are many questions about the role of government that the Governmental Affairs Committee must address. We would appreciate your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,


William V. Roth, Jr.
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