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Attached is a

speech delivered yesterday in Boston by SEC Chairman Arthur Levitt, Jr. In the speech, Chairman Levitt describes three disclosure reform initiatives that the Commission will consider at its open meeting tomorrow. The Commission will consider whether to issue for public comment proposals to a) substantially revise Form N-1A, the mutual fund registration form, b) allow investors the option to rely on a more summary disclosure document, a profile prospectus, in purchasing fund shares, and c) require funds with a name that suggests a particular type of investment to invest at least 80 percent of its assets accordingly. We will keep you informed of the Commission's action with respect to these proposals. Matthew P. Fink President Attachment (in .pdf format)

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