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Mr. Sheridan C. Lewis, President Southern Community Gas Co. Southern Coast Corporation P. O. Box 478 Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Sheridan:

Thank you for your letters of August 23 and 25 which further informed me of Mr. Herrera's qualifications for the position of SER Director.

Your unqualified recommendation of Mr. Herrera and a number of other letters in his behalf, certainly carry great weight with me. As you know, I have been in contact with Labor Department and OEO officials on this matter.

The Labor Department informs me that the SER nominating board met in San Diego last week and although they expressed disappointment at the Labor Department's rejection of Mr. Herrera, they did not stand up for him. Instead they submitted another nomination. I am continuing to work on this matter and am still hopeful of a favorable outcome, but I think you can see that the action of the nomination board has seriously undercut my efforts.

I will be in touch with you when I hear further from either OEO or the Labor Department.

Sincerely yours.

Ralph W. Yarborough

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