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I adamantly oppose the 20 bp assessment. Our 2009 assessments will be roughly 25% of 2008 income, and will hamper our lending efforts greatly. With 2009 income dropping, it could equal 40% of 2009 net income.

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