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The 20 cent special assessment to replenish the insurance fund is blatantly unfair. The declining asset values which have undermined our industry and depleted our capital need to be dealt with as does the FDIC insurance fund. Any business confronted by the challenges we face need time to react to the economic realities that have been put upon us by Wall Street. Your proposed assessment only exacerbates the problems we face and undermines our ability to fight through this crisis. You must seek alternatives to spread out the pain of replenishing the fund. No insurance company can recover losses in one fell swoop.

Respectfully,

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