



DAVID C. WITTIG  
Chairman of the Board,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

April 30, 2001

Mr. Del Weidner  
President and General Counsel  
Capital City Bank  
120 SW 6th  
Topeka, KS 66603

Dear Del,

The following individuals received the attached letter from me:

Directors:

Frank Becker  
Gene Budig  
Charlie Chandler  
Jack Dicus

Owen Leonard  
John Nettels  
Lou Smith

Westar Directors:

Pack St. Clair  
R.A. Edwards  
Howard Christensen

Officers of WR and Westar:

Tom Grennan  
Carl Koupal  
Doug Lake  
Rita Sharpe  
Rick Terrill  
Dick Dixon  
Doug Henry  
Wayne Kitchen  
Shane Mathis  
Les Morgan

Caroline Williams  
Paul Geist  
Jo Hunt  
Larry Irick  
Peggy Loyd  
Jim Martin  
Carl Ricketts  
Lee Wages  
Greg Greenwood

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I will coordinate with you on who actually participates in the financing, however, you may hear from them separately and I wanted to give you a heads up. For small loans, it may be easier to have Westar lend the money directly to the employees.

Separately, although we have not worked out the details, I am assuming Westar will pay a \$50,000 commitment fee even though as little as \$5 million may be initially drawn down as part of the rights offerings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'A' followed by a smaller 'A'.

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DAVID C. WITTIG  
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[Directors and Officers]

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

We are in the process of securing financing from Capital City Bank, for the purpose of officers and directors purchasing shares of Westar Industries, Inc. Per our agreement with Public Service of New Mexico, Westar can provide security for up to \$20 million of such loans. The interest rate will likely be 25 basis points over the 90-day LIBOR rate of 4.59% or 7.097% (floating), plus a 25 basis point fee up front.

If you wish to participate in this financing you should send a summary financial statement and two years of tax returns to Del Weidner at the following address:

Del Weidner  
President and General Counsel  
Capital City Bank  
120 S.W. 6th Street  
Topeka, KS 66603

The loan will be for three years or thirty days following the closing of the Public Service Company of New Mexico transaction; whichever is sooner. Do not feel obligated to participate.

Sincerely,

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