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Dear Members and Friends of PSIG:

2008 MEETING IN GALVESTON

As I am sure you are aware, on the night of Friday September 12th, Galveston and Houston were hit by a category 2-3 hurricane. Hurricane Ike caused extensive damage and devastation to Galveston as well as extended power outages across Houston with power still not being restored to some residences.

We visited the island of Galveston this past weekend and, although we believe that the Moody Gardens hotel will be up and running by the time the conference is scheduled to start, the remainder of Galveston will not be an appropriate venue to hold our conference. We have contacted the majority of hotels in the greater Houston area and have been unsuccessful in establishing an alternative venue for the dates of the conference.

In deliberating a rescheduling of the conference, the Board of PSIG considered the input received from the membership in 2004 wherein May was voted on as the second “favorite” month during which to hold the conference. Our plan is, therefore, to cancel this year’s conference and host the 2009 conference in May. Given that May is before the start of hurricane season and a very pleasant time of year in this region, we will maintain the Moody Gardens as our host location. The conference will commence with our customary ice-breaker on Tuesday May 12th and end on Friday May 15th.

We realize that this will inconvenience a number of you who were planning to attend, especially those who were flying in from overseas. We extend our sincere apologies, and regrets. However, as you can imagine, this is something which was, unfortunately, outside of our control.

For those of you who have already registered, you will receive, within a week or so, a full refund of your fee via a check or directly to your credit card. If you have any particular preference or instructions in this regard please e-mail our Treasurer, Don Schroeder, at Don.Schroeder@advanticagroup.com. You are advised not to call the credit card company. All reservations related to PSIG made with the hotel should have been automatically cancelled. We would, however, suggest that you confirm directly with the hotel that this is, indeed, the case with your reservation.

As you have come to expect, and as we continue to plan the conference in May, we will be sending out further details and announcements over the next months.

We look forward to seeing you in Galveston in May of next year.

Sincerely,

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