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BEN S. BERNANKE  
CHAIRMAN

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Dear 6ILRU0 DGP :

I am writing to ask your company to take part in an important economic census of the finance company industry by completing and returning the enclosed questionnaire or by completing the questionnaire online. The Federal Reserve System is conducting this census, which is unrelated to the 2010 Census of Population, to collect basic information on the size and structure of companies that supply credit to households or businesses. The results will contribute to better-informed policy decisions.

Because this census is meant to be a complete count of all finance companies in the United States, your participation is vital to ensure an accurate portrait of your industry. If your company does not consider itself a finance company, it is still important that you let us know this fact by completing the questionnaire. Participation is voluntary, but we very much hope you will take part in this important effort.

The answers we receive from individual companies are considered confidential and are treated accordingly. If you have questions about this census, please see the information and references given on the cover page of the questionnaire.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Ben Bernanke", written in a cursive style.