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Civil Rights Division

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The Honorable Robert W. Harrell, Jr.
Speaker of the South Carolina House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
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The Honorable Glenn F. McConnell
President Pro Tempore of the South Carolina Senate
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Dear Mr. Speaker Harrell and Mr. President McConnell:

This refers to Act No. 75 (H. 3992) (2011), which provides for the 2011 redistricting of South Carolina's congressional districts, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on August 31, 2011; additional information was received through October 26, 2011.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified change. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the change. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. E. Perez".

Thomas E. Perez
Assistant Attorney General