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Thanks very much for your bulletin of September 11, relative to the Seattle situation. I appreciate the fact that Mr. Andrew Williams is working on this matter for you.

Items number (1) through (4) seem pertinent to Mr. Williams' responsibility.

I do not know what item number (5) means and I do not think that item number (6) is particularly meaningful. Both the City of Seattle and the Seattle Club have failed to meet the conditions of the franchise agreement and I cannot imagine that the "ability of the Seattle Club to move to another City" is, indeed, part of the question. What must be resolved is the willingness of the Seattle Club and the City of Seattle to perform in accordance with the standards presented to them and accepted by them when they were taken into the American League. If it is determined that this is not the case, the members of the American League will then have the responsibility of charting the future events.

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