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*Is. Javits*

San Diego, California  
October 19, 1936.

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
165 Broadway  
c/o Javits & Javits,  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Javits:

As promised I am sending you clippings that may  
be of interest; also letter I have just received today thru the  
mail which shows you the trend of the times.

EL N You know all the good things about the San Diego  
Consolidated Gas & Electric Company. It is a wonderful property  
and has paid splendid dividends. You have asked me as to the future.  
I can only answer that it is the policy of the State Railroad  
Commission to reduce dividends to 6 and 6 1/2 percent, so I have  
been told by one of the Commissioners within the last four weeks.  
Second - While the company has a perpetual franchise for illuminating  
gas and electricity but has no perpetual franchise for power, and  
I believe 85 percent of the electricity they sell is for power.

This franchise can be changed by a vote of the people  
at any time. There is a movement gaining force all over the state to  
give municipalities permission to issue revenue bonds for light,  
water and power purposes, irrespective of the present limit. Several  
bills of this kind passed the legislature at the last session but  
were vetoed by the Governor. They are coming back stronger than ever  
this next session which meets in January.

My personal position is that I would oppose the passage  
of such a law unless the showing could be made it would pay one and  
one-half times its interest rate, and I believe the people of each  
municipality should have the say by vote as to whether or not it is  
desired. This refers to the acquisition of present public utilities  
already installed, or new, or both.



2-2004 12-27-36 of mem of corp.  
 dated: This letter is the continuation of business brought before  
 the board of directors and the stockholders of the company and is  
 one of the most important letters that I have ever written and  
 of which I am sure the board of directors will be proud to have  
 and the stockholders will be proud to have.

This company needs a good, go-getting public relations  
 head, a good mixer and a man who can satisfy the people. This is no  
 personal reflection on the present manager. As soon as you have made your decision I hope you  
 will drop me a line at the same time you write to Mr. Loucks.  
 Mr. Cowan is very anxious to hear at the earliest possible moment.

With kind personal regards, and hoping that you will  
 look me up that I may show you some of the beauty spots of San Diego  
 County the next time you come to San Diego, I am  
 Yours sincerely,  
 J. K. Javits

Very truly yours,  
 J. K. Javits

W. J. Javits  
 100 N. 1st St.  
 San Diego, Cal.  
 W. J. Javits

October 13, 1936  
 San Diego, California

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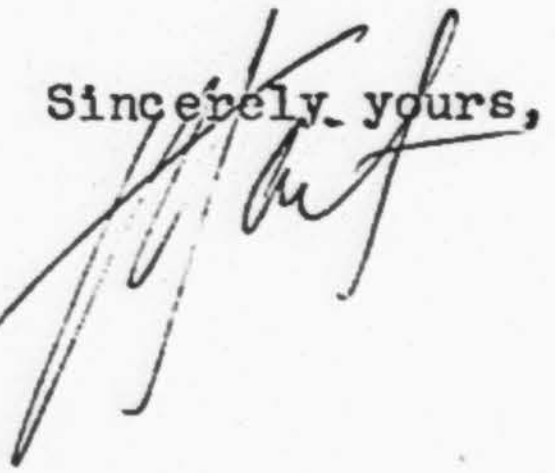
October 21, 1936.

Hon. Ed Fletcher,  
 California Legislature,  
 Senate,  
 San Diego, California.

My dear Senator Fletcher:

I have your letter of October 19th with  
 enclosures. The information which you have trans-  
 mitted is appreciated and will be submitted to the  
 Committee for which we are counsel.

I am hopeful of being able to take advantage  
 of your cordial invitation to visit San Diego some day.

Sincerely yours,  


JKJ:C



*So. Lines*

October 23, 1936

Mr. J.K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javits  
165 Broadway  
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Javits:

I thank you for your letter of the 21st and contents noted.

When in New York you told me that you thought the Committee would make some decision this week as to whether or not they would recommend to the Court an offer to buy the 99,000 odd shares of the San Diego Consolidated Gas & Electric Company. In writing Mr. Loucks your decision, will you also notify me.

I promise you a good time if you will come to San Diego. I am enclosing picture of the Totuava I caught in the Gulf of Lower California, Mexico, and a newspaper clipping of our last trip. I promise you a little trip into Mexico if and when you come out here - if you can spare two or three days - it will be a pleasure to show you something new and which I believe will be of interest to a New Yorker.

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv

Enclosure

October 24, 1936.

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javits,  
165 Broadway  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Javits:

Enclosed find clipping from this morning's paper that I thought might interest you, re the San Diego Consolidated Gas & Electric Company.

Yours sincerely,

EF M



October 27, 1936.

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javits,  
165 Broadway  
New York City

My dear Mr. Javits:

Enclosed find clippings from the morning paper  
regarding the San Diego Consolidated Gas & Electric Company  
which I thought might be of interest.

Yours sincerely,

EF M

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October 28, 1936.

Hon. Ed Fletcher,  
California Legislature,  
Senate,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have your letter of October 23, 1936,  
enclosing most interesting picture.

I also have your letter of the 24th with  
newspaper clipping.

The Committee is not yet ready to take a  
position on the matter which you and your associates  
have proposed.

Thanks for the invitation!

Very truly yours,

JKJ:C



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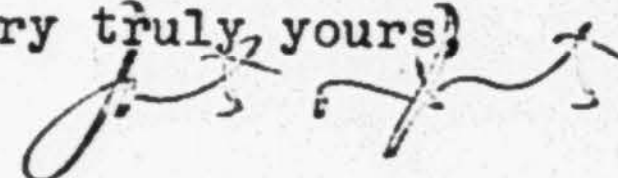
October 30, 1936.

Hon. Ed Fletcher,  
California Legislature,  
Senate,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have yours of October 27th with enclosures.

Very truly yours,



JKJ:C

December 12, 1936

AIR MAIL

Mr. J.K. Javits  
c/o Javits & Javits  
165 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Javits:

Enclosed find clipping from yesterday's "Sun", a daily paper of influence, that is explanatory and shows how the wind is blowing here. Tell me what the prospects are for doing something in the near future.

I was in Chicago the other day and saw Mr. Loucks and he showed me your letter of November 24th. I feel that now is the time for action, and hope you and your Committee feel the same way re: the sale of the Gas Company's properties here.

By the way, our new crop of Fuerte avocados are coming on, and I want to send your good wife some lemons just picked off the tree and that will be as sweet as oranges. If you will give me your home address, I will send you a box of fruit, and you can have some fun with the lemons. Since I was sixty, I have acquired a supernatural power, and by appealing to Allah, I make the lemons sweet.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv

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December 14, 1936.

Senator Ed Fletcher,  
California Legislature,  
Senate,  
San Diego, California.

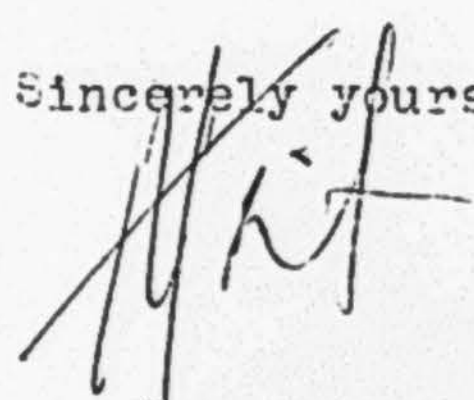
Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have yours of December 12, 1936, with clipping,  
which I have read with great interest.

As I informed Mr. Loucks, the Committee for which  
we are counsel is not yet ready to consider the proposition  
in which you are interested.

I appreciate your kind proffer of the avocados,  
but I am not keeping house right now so that it would be  
imposing on you to ask you to send them on. I hope to be  
able to join you in enjoying them on the ground one day  
very soon. My trip to California is hastened by the ex-  
pectation of being able to acquire some of your super-  
natural powers as there are a number of industrialists  
whom I would like to make "sweet".

Sincerely yours,



JKJ:C

*Lo Loucks*

December 18, 1936

Mr. J.K. Javits  
c/o Javits & Javits  
165 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Javits:

Thanks kindly for your letter of December 14th. I  
would appreciate a letter from you when your Committee is ready  
to take action at the same time you inform Mr. Loucks.

Your letter is a challenge as to my ability to make  
sour lemons sweet. A handsome maiden picked the lemons from my  
tree, I kissed her hand, appealed to Allah, and those lemons I am  
now sending to you by express. Please use them in any way you  
see fit. You will be able to say that you gave to the woman who  
gets the lemon that you have the ability to make them sweet. Have  
some fun with them.

The Legislature will be in session on the 3rd of Janu-  
ary and will continue to the first of February. During January I  
could meet you here any Saturday or Sunday, coming down by plane,  
but I will be home during February. Perhaps you might want to take  
three or four days off and make the trip down to the Gulf fishing  
with us. I am taking two or three Federal men in charge of WPA in  
the West - Mr. Frank Y. McLaughlin, WPA Administrator for California  
and Major Hinckley, WPA Administrator for the seven Western states.  
We plan to go about the 10th or 12th of February. I am enclosing  
picture of one of my catches - a 183 pound Totuava, sea bass. We  
caught 86 in four hours - eight of us. I promise that you will see  
sea elephants weighing from 1000# to a ton 20 miles off shore, and  
Yaqui Indians will manage the ship. Is it a temptation?

It is just possible that I could arrange for you to meet  
the man who will buy for a price the property in discussion. I am  
very sure he will go along if I invite him. This letter in confi-  
dence, please.

With kind regards, and wishing you the Compliments of  
the Season,

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv



JAVITS & JAVITS  
165 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK CITY

COPY

December 23, 1936.

Hon. Ed Fletcher,  
State Senator, San Diego County,  
Senate,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have yours of the 18th.

I certainly appreciate your proffered hospitality and hope to be able to take advantage of it soon. You may be sure that when I next come to California I will look you up. It is unlikely that I will be there during January in any case, so that I will probably find you at home when I do come.

With every good wish for the holiday and the New Year, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours,

JKJ:C

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To J.K. JAVITS January 12, 1937 19  
Street and No. JAVITS & JAVITS  
Place 165 BROADWAY NEW YORK, N.Y.

RECEIVED WORD THROUGH LOUCKS AND COWAN SITUATION FAVORABLE TRANSACTING  
BUSINESS REGARDING SANDEIGO MATTER THROUGH YOU AT EARLY DATE ASKING FOR  
CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO WITH PRINCIPAL CONFIDENTIALLY KINILLY WIRE ME STATE  
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ED FLETCHER

Senator 40th District

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January 13, 1937.

Senator Ed Fletcher,  
State Capitol,  
Sacramento, California

Re: San Diego Consolidated  
Gas & Electric Co.

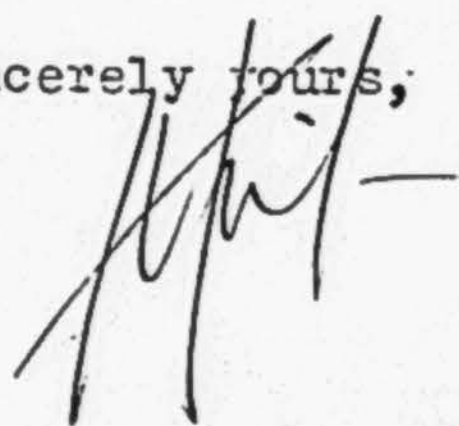
Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have your wire of the 13th.

Mr. Cowan was in here a few days ago  
and understands the situation. It would be  
pointless to hold a conference as the situation  
has not developed further.

The lemons were wonderful. Many thanks.

Sincerely yours,



JKJ:C

March 1, 1937

Mr. J.K. Javits  
Javits & Javits  
165 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Javits.

I am still waiting to hear from you that there  
is a chance of doing business re. the sale of the San  
Diego Gas & Electric Company's property.

Last July Mr. Cowan informed me that the deal  
could be closed at anytime, but neither his Attorney nor  
you have ever given me any indication that you are ready  
to talk business. I have a buyer if and when the time  
comes. Can you give me any encouragement?

I would appreciate an Air-Mail letter. My ad-  
dress is - State Capitol, Sacramento, California, where  
we are now in session. I could leave here Friday night  
and be in New York Saturday, and leave Sunday for Cali-  
fornia if conditions warrant a conference.

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv



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March 4, 1937.

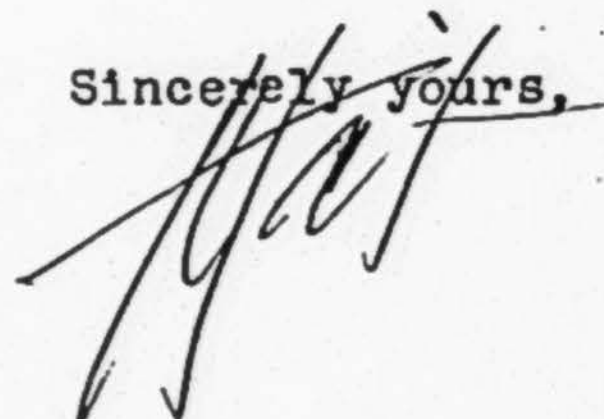
Senator Ed Fletcher,  
State Capitol,  
Sacramento, California.

Re: San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

Dear Senator Fletcher:

I have yours of March 1, 1937, and would have communicated with you before this if I had word to give you. No action has been taken with respect to your proposal, and there would, therefore, be nothing to confer about at this time.

Sincerely yours,



JKJ:C

April 21, 1937

Mr. J.K. Javits  
Javits & Javits  
165 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Javits:

I have been hoping to hear from you for I see by the papers that some compromise has been made in your litigation against Standard Gas and Electric.

Is this true and if true, does this mean that Standard Gas & Electric will go out of receivership, or will you still be in the picture to help us make that deal in the sale of San Diego Consolidated Gas & Electric?

Have been mighty busy here at Sacramento but the Legislature will adjourn about the middle of May and I will be in San Diego by the first of June. It will be a lot of fun and I promise you a real time if you will drop in on us in San Diego anytime after the Legislature adjourns.

Kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv



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April 27, 1937.

Senator Ed. Fletcher,  
State Capitol,  
Sacramento, California.

Re: Standard Gas and Electric Co.

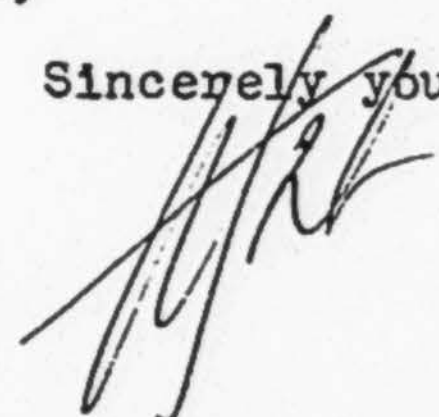
Dear Senator Fletcher:

The litigation you refer to in yours of the 21st concerned individual parties now or formerly identified with the company. Efforts to reorganize in which we are principally interested are still continuing.

Cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

JKJ:C



October 5, 1937.

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javits,  
165 Broadway  
New York.

My dear Mr. Javits:

What is the latest in the matter of the sale of the San Diego Consolidated Gas Company property? Any new developments or any nearer fixing up the litigation?

Do you think the property will be sold thru the courts or revert back to Standard Gas & Electric. I would appreciate and treat in confidence any information you can furnish me in the matter.

By the way, I was down in Mexico with some friends for three days last week and got a deer, over 100 duck, mountain quail, valley quail and any amount of bass, elevation 5600 feet among the pines, about 120 miles from San Diego. You better come on some time and enjoy a little of real life out here.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

My dear Mr. Javits:

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javits,  
165 Broadway  
New York.

October 2, 1937.



October 5, 1937.

Mr. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javots,  
165 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Javits:

Enclosed for you

are two copies of the letter

on some time ago and which is a letter of last will and testament.  
I should like to have you see it and if you can get it to the  
proper authorities, I would be very glad to have it. I would be  
very glad to have you see it and if you can get it to the  
proper authorities, I would be very glad to have it.

I am sure that you will find it of interest and I am sure  
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I am sure that you will find it of interest and I am sure  
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find it of interest and I am sure that you will find it of interest.

Very truly yours,

Wm. J. K. Javits,  
c/o Javits & Javots,  
165 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

October 2, 1937.

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Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
1018-1020 Ninth Avenue,  
San Diego, California.

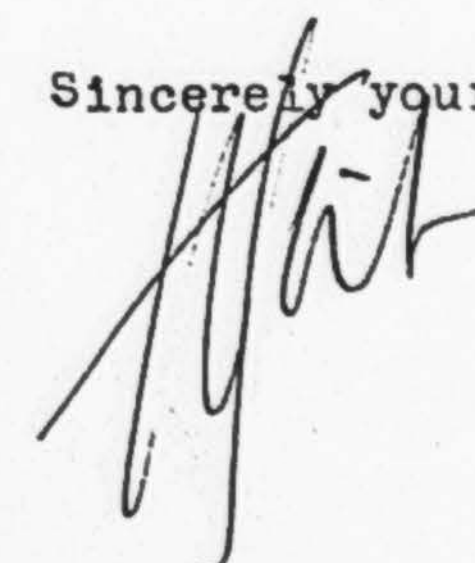
Dear Mr. Fletcher:

I have your letter of October 5th.

The San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric  
Company stock owned by Standard Gas and Electric  
Company is concerned in the Plan of Reorganization  
as filed in Court. Until this Plan comes up for  
hearing and is considered by the Court, which we  
hope will take place within the next sixty days  
no other disposition of such property can be con-  
sidered.

Many thanks for your renewed invitation to  
visit Southern California.

Sincerely yours,



JKJ:C

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