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The Fuel and Energy and Economics Committees Present:**

**Should Merger Law Be Amended for the Oil Industry?
A Discussion of Proposed Federal Legislation SR 878**

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The Fuel and Energy, and Economics Committees are very pleased to announce a brown bag to discuss SR Bill 878, recently proposed legislation by Senators Kohl and Specter. The bill proposes to change the burden of proof in merger cases involving the oil industry to the merging parties to show that their merger does not substantially lessen competition and directs the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission to revise their Merger Guidelines to take into account the special conditions in the oil industry. This brown bag will discuss the need for and implications of such legislation with a member of Senator Kohl's staff and an economist and lawyer with extensive experience in the oil industry.

There will be dial-in numbers for this session. Dial-in information will follow. To register, contact Christine Lafuente at clafuente@fulbright.com or 713 651 8295.

Recordings of this Brown Bag will be posted on the Section website Members Only area following the program and downloadable in an MP3 format, free of charge at <http://www.abanet.org/antitrust/at-bb/bb-audio.shtml>.