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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

December 9, 1986

\*1 The Honorable Michael R. Daniel  
Lieutenant Governor  
Post Office Box 142  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Lieutenant Governor Daniel:

Upon reviewing our letter of December 2, 1986, to you concerning the scheduling of special elections to fill vacancies in three Senate seats, we realized that clarification might be in order as to preclearance by the United States Department of Justice under the Voting Rights Act. While the dates of the special elections need not be precleared since preclearance for Act No. 493 of 1986 was obtained, any other change, such as but not limited to a change from the regular polling places or a change in the form of the ballot, would require submission to the Department of Justice under the Voting Rights Act. A copy of the letter from the Department of Justice, dated September 11, 1986, as to Act No. 493 is enclosed for your information.

We trust that this clarification will be beneficial in scheduling the special elections. Please advise if any additional assistance should be needed.

Sincerely,

Patricia D. Petway  
Assistant Attorney General

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