

August 7, 2003

Mr. Guenther H. Ruch, Administrator  
Regulation and Enforcement Division  
Office of the Commissioner of Insurance  
125 South Webster Street  
P.O. Box 7873  
Madison, WI 53707-7873

Re: Wellpoint Form A Acquisition of Cobalt Corporation

Dear Guenther:

Yesterday Wellpoint was informed that the parties received early termination of the required waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act. A written confirmation will be filed upon receipt.

Very truly yours,

**MICHAEL BEST & FRIEDRICH LLP**



David J. Hanson

cc: Mr. Thomas Geiser  
Mr. Robert Kelly  
Ms. Connie Chang