

### AN APOLOGY AND AN INVITATION

An apology is extended to subscribers for the late distribution of this issue and for its relatively small size. The reason is the illness of a family member which has required my constant attention.

A letter accompanying the first issue of CCPR in June, 1980 stated in part:

"For the CCPR to achieve its objectives it must evolve both organizationally and editorially in line with the expressed wishes and needs of those it seeks to serve. The response to this first issue will serve to identify the market at least in part. As one fruit of that response it may be possible to draw representative readers into active association, perhaps by the creation of an editorial advisory board".

The nature of the market has by now been clearly identified, although it has by no means been fully developed. Those who sustain the CCPR by their subscriptions are, first and foremost, large corporations with legal departments, followed by large law firms and federal and provincial departments and agencies, and academic persons and institutions. What seems to attract these disparate interests is a policy of providing accurate and current information relevant to competition policy as well as expressions of opinion which are signed or otherwise identified as to source.

There has also been some response to the letter of June, 1980 in that valuable advice, encouragement and assistance has been received. Nevertheless, the CCPR continues to be essentially a one-man operation. That explains the late distribution of the current issue. More importantly, the quality of the publication would clearly be enhanced if more Canadians with expertise in the law and economics of competition policy were to become actively involved in its production. My own interest in the evolution of the CCPR is simply to ensure that its underlying principles are maintained. I continue to solicit communications from readers who are interested in furthering the objectives of the CCPR.

The Editor