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SAVINGS AND LOAN UPDATE

Sunday, Jan. 21st

5:20pm Interview with Paul Pilzer - Author of "Other People's Money" shoot #17174 runs 29:12

Look back at how problems in thrift industry started in 1930s / affect of deregulation in early 1980s/what went wrong in Texas and California/affect of Congressional action or inaction/where is industry headed

5:50pm Consumer Issues Roundtable #17214 runs @36:00

Michelle Meier/Consumers Union Fred Webber, Pres., U.S. League of Savings Inst.

Community Reinvestment Act/ Home Mortgage Disclosure is legislation making it difficult to provide mortgage money /will thrifst have money to lend. Role of Congress need for affordable housing

6:30pm LIVE call-in with John Cranford of Congressional Quarterly - he's been covering S&L's/ will look ahead to hearings coming up on Senate side

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LIVE call in with William Seidman, Chairman FDIC (1 hr.)

status of industry/ where headed/role of RTC/ what expecting from Congress/is worst yet to come/what punishment for problems already uncovered/status of Lincoln Savings situation.

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Monday, January 22nd

@5:00pm Interview with David Fensterheim, Exec. Director Real Estate Capital Recovery Association shoot #17227 runs @17:00

This is brand new association in wake of S&L crisis. interview is on what association is (companies that dispose of property), its relationship to the RTC, role and future of RTC.

> Robert Litan - Brookings Ronald Utt - Heritage

government has more than \$6 trillion in credit exposure/probems there would make S&L pale/future of Pension Guaranty Corp., Fannie Mae, Ginnie Mae, etc.

5:50pm Interview with M. Danny Wall, Dir., Office of Thrift Supervision shoot #17160 runs 34:51

discusses problems faced when heading government agencies regulating thrifts/what went wrong/ what was done to fix/what more needs to be done/role of congress

6:30pm LIVE call-in with Jerry Knight, Washington Post

Covered S&Ls for more than ten years. where industry headed /how had media covered issue/what to expect from next round of hearings on Senate side.

7pm LIVE call-in guest TBA (had hoped for Rep. Gonzalez, but he turned us down)