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The President today announced his intention to nominate Edward O. Vetter, of Dallas, Texas, to be Under Secretary of Commerce. He will succeed James A. Baker, III who resigned effective May 7, 1976. Mr. Vetter was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Texas Instruments, Inc. prior to his retirement in November 1975.

Born on October 20, 1920, in Rochester, New York, Mr. Vetter received his B.S. degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1942. He served in the United States Army from 1942 to 1946.

Mr. Vetter joined the Standard Oil Company of California in 1946. From 1952 to 1957, he was associated with the Geophysical Service, Inc. He became General Manager of the Industrial Instrumentation Division of Texas Instruments Inc., in Houston, Texas in 1957. From 1959 to 1966, he was Vice President and Manager of the Materials and Controls, Inc., a subsidiary of Texas Instruments Inc. in Attleboro, Massachusetts, and during 1966-67 was Vice President for Corporate Development.

In 1967, Mr. Vetter became Group Vice President with responsibility for several divisions including the Texas Instruments Supply Company. From 1969 to May 1972, he was Group Vice President and President of the Geophysical Service, Inc., prior to becoming Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Texas Instruments in May 1972.

Mr. Vetter is married to the former Mary Brite and they have four children.

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