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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Linda Angello, Commissioner New York State Department of Labor State Office Building Campus, Room 500 Albany, NY 12240-0003

Re: Request for Variance--130 Liberty Street, New York, New York

Dear Commissioner Angello:

Pursuant to Section 30 of the New York State Labor Law, please find enclosed the request of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation ("LMDC") for a variance concerning specified provisions of New York State Industrial Code Rule 56 in connection with the LMDC's plans to clean and deconstruct the building located at 130 Liberty Street in the City of New York (the "Building").

The purpose of this request is to allow LMDC and its contractor to commence and complete Phase I of the cleaning and deconstruction of the Building in a safe and effective manner in compliance with applicable law. If necessary, a variance amendment, or a new variance, will be submitted regarding Phase II of the deconstruction.

This request is being submitted to the New York State Department of Labor ("NYSDOL") due to the presence of asbestos in the Building. Eventually, and due in part to the presence of contaminants in the Building other than asbestos, the revised Cleaning and Deconstruction Plan for the Building will also be submitted to NYSDOL as well as other federal, state, and city regulatory agencies for their review and approval prior to the start of deconstruction.

Thank you for your attention to this request. If we can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (212) 962-2300. As with past correspondence, we have copied other interested regulatory agencies below.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Rampe

President

Encl.

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