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VIA FACSIMILE/ HAND DELIVERY

Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia
c/o District of Columbia Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001
Attention: Anthony Hood, Chairman

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MAY -5 10:43:11

Re: Request for Further Delay in Setdown of the
Application of Yale Steam Limited Partnership
for Approval of Use of Air Space for an Alley Bridge,
Square 514 for Public Hearing, ZC Case No. 00-01

Dear Chairman Hood:

This firm serves as legal counsel for Yale Steam Limited Partnership.

By our letter to the Zoning Commission, dated January 5, 2000, this firm on behalf of Yale Steam Limited Partnership submitted an Application for Approval of Use of Air Space (the "Application") to permit construction and maintenance of a bridge in public air space above a fifteen (15) foot wide public alley in the southern portion of Square 514 (the "Alley").

By our letter to the Zoning Commission dated February 11, 2000, we requested that the Commission postpone the setdown of the Application for public hearing and consideration pending final approval of the project, of which the proposed bridge is to be a part, by the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board. The Commission, in granting our request for deferral, set May 8, 2000 as the date by which we had to advise the Commission as to whether we wished to proceed or not proceed with the Application.

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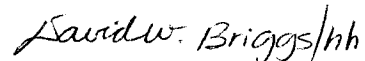
The Historic Preservation Review Board on April 27, 2000 voted to support and gave concept approval to the project with a reduction in height to 100 feet for the proposed west addition and a reduction in height to 120 feet for the proposed east addition to the historic Yale Laundry buildings. Under the Board's current practices however, there seems to be no certainty in that decision. We feel that final approval of the project under applicable historic preservation law should be obtained before we proceed to make a request for setdown of the Application.

Thus we wish to request a further deferral by the Commission of the setdown of the Application for public hearing until the Commission's regular monthly meeting in July. We would expect by that time to have final approval of the project under the applicable historic preservation law.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me.

Sincerely,

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

Handwritten signature of David W. Briggs in cursive script, followed by a vertical line and the initials 'hh'.

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