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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

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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"). At that time the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board (the "Board") had approved a proposed project involving the Yale Laundry Site on New York Avenue, N.W. Subsequent to that filing numerous challenges were made to the approval which have delayed processing.

As you are aware we had previously requested several postponements in the setdown of the Application for public hearing pending final action on matters related to proceedings before Board and the Mayor's Agent for Historic Preservation (the "Mayor's Agent"). As we advised earlier, 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.

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While the Board has completed action on the proposed project, the Mayor's Agent has still not issued his decision in the matter of the subdivision of Lots 6, 67, 68, 73 and 74, being all of the lots west of the 15 foot wide public alley. The subdivision is necessary to be able to develop the "west" addition to the Yale buildings to which the "bridge" would be connected.

Since the Mayor's Agent has not issued his decision approving the subdivision, we must very regretfully again request a further deferral by the Commission of the setdown of the Application for public hearing until its October meeting. By that date the Mayor's Agent by law must have issued his decision.

Thank you for your patience in this matter; we regret the inconvenience to the Commission and appreciate your favorable consideration of this request.

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

Sincerely,

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