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**VIA FACSIMILE/ HAND DELIVERY**

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

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").

We subsequently requested that the Commission postpone the setdown of the Application for public hearing pending final action on matters related to proceedings before the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board (the "Board"). As we advised, 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.

Since a part of the proposed development requires the subdivision of 4 small undeveloped lots of record with a lot of record on which one of the Yale Laundry

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buildings is located, we were requested by staff of the Historic Preservation Division of DCRA to obtain the approval of the Mayor's Agent to that proposed subdivision. The Mayor's Agent hearing was held on June 6, 2000. The Mayor's Agent however set July 10<sup>th</sup> as the date for submission of proposed findings for his consideration, and thus the Mayor's Agent at this time has not acted on the application for subdivision. A subdivision of these lots, being all of the lots west of the 15 foot wide public alley, is necessary to be able to develop the "west" addition to the Yale buildings to which the "bridge" would be connected.

Due to this further delay, we must again suggest that a further deferral by the Commission of the setdown of the Application for public hearing is appropriate. We request therefore deferral until the Commission's regular monthly meeting in September, when we expect that the Mayor's Agent will have issued his decision in the subdivision application.

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

Sincerely,

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