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Office of State Fire Marshal 5150 Florida Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Attention:

Mr. Jerry W. Jones Chief Architect

Subject:

Upgrading of Kitchen Hood Fire Suppression Systems

CONFIRMED

to Meet U.L.300 Standard

Reference:

(a) Your Memorandum to Architects, Engineers and Hood Suppression Contractors Dated March 15, 1995

(b) Telephone Conversation Between Mr. Jerry Jones and Mr. Stephen Kramer (H. S. Hiller Corp.) on September 28, 1995

Gentlemen:

Based upon the above-listed references, this letter is being sent as a follow-up to our telephone conversation and to request a written confirmation of the results of that conversation. As discussed, your memorandum reference (a) states, in part, "After June 30, 1995, be advised that this office will not allow the modification of existing systems which do not comply with the new U.L.300 Standard. In other words, if it is necessary to reconfigure or add additional nozzles to an existing system, this office will then require that system to be upgraded to comply with the new standard."

Should the survey of an existing hood suppression system indicate the need to add either a) more fusible link detectors, b) listed grease seals at hood pipe penetrations, or c) an electric microswitch to the system control unit, but no changes to agent discharge piping, nozzles, or no addition of new nozzles, do such minor modifications constitute a "reconfiguration" of the system which would warrant an overall upgrading to the new U.L.300 Standard?

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As I understand it from our conversation, such minor modifications as described above would not require the overall upgrading of the existing suppression system to meet U.L.300, provided that there were no changes or additions to the system piping and nozzle arrangement.

In order to have documented verification of the above-listed information and statements, please send us written correspondence by return mail. That documentation will assist us in assuring our customers that our proposals are accurate and based upon fact rather than individual interpretation.

Thank you very much for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

HERBERT S. HILLER CORPORATION

Stephen L. Kramer

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