



Office of the General Counsel

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October 27, 1987

Mr. Jack L. Thomas, Vice President
Centen Steel Erectors, Inc.
a/k/a Centen, Inc., and
Central Tennessee Steel Erectors, Inc.
Route 2, Box 2216
Manchester, Tennessee 37355

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Subject: Contract No. DACA63-83-C-0223
Training Barracks
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

Contract No. 062-EH-068
Princeton Towers II
Birmingham, Alabama

Contract No. UDAG-1008-411
Parking Deck #4
Birmingham, Alabama

Contract No. AL09-P-002-016
Mobile Elderly Towers
Mobile, Alabama

DOL File Nos. TEX-85-57, ALA-84-35,
TENN-84-67, and ALA-84-291

The Administrator, Employment Standards Administration, United States Department of Labor, by letter dated June 30, 1987, recommended to our Office that Centen Steel Erectors, Inc., a/k/a Centen, Inc.; Central Steel Erectors, Inc.; and Jack L. Thomas, individually and as Vice President, be placed on the ineligible bidders list for violations of the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-5 (1982), with respect to the above-referenced contracts.

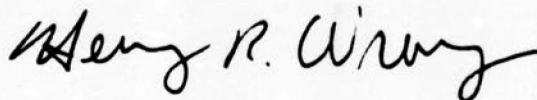
We concur with the Administrator's recommendation. The Davis-Bacon Act provides that the Comptroller General is to debar persons or firms whom he finds have disregarded their obligations to employees under the Act, 40 U.S.C. § 276a-2. Our review of the record confirms that there were substantial violations in this case which

constitute a disregard of obligations to employees with respect to the minimum wage provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act.

Accordingly, Centen Steel Erectors, Inc., a/k/a Centen, Inc.; Central Steel Erectors, Inc.; and Jack L. Thomas, individually and as Vice President, will be included on a list to be distributed to all departments of the Government. Pursuant to statutory direction at 40 U.S.C. § 276a-2, no contract shall be awarded to them or to any firm, corporation, partnership, or association in which they, or any of them, have an interest until 3 years have elapsed from the date of publication of such list.

The funds on deposit with our Claims Group, \$8,756.74, which were withheld for the violations will be disbursed to the wage claimants in accordance with established procedures.

Sincerely yours,



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