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Paula V. Smith, Administrator  
Employment Standards Administration  
Wage and Hour Division  
U.S. Department of Labor  
Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear Ms. Smith:

Subject: T.L. James & Co., Inc. - Prime Contractor  
Gulf Coast Trailing Co. - Subcontractor  
Contract Nos.: DACW65-84-C-0046 and  
DACW65-85-C-0044  
DOL File No.: VA-85-686

By letter dated October 1, 1987, you submitted to us the above-referenced case involving violations of the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-5 (1982). You indicate that the Department of Labor does not recommend debarment of T.L. James & Co., Inc., or Gulf Coast Trailing Co.

We agree that the contractors should not be debarred. Our review of the record confirms that the violations in this case were not substantial and do not constitute a disregard of obligations to employees with respect to the minimum wage provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act.

The record indicates that restitution has been made to the workers involved.

Sincerely yours,

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Associate General Counsel

cc: Mr. Guy A. Guillot  
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