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Miles S. Firnhaber, President
Sealtite Corporation
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Dear Mr. Firnhaber:

Subject: Sealtite Corporation
Contract No. DACA 45-83-C-0124
DOL File No. IOWA-84-422

The Assistant Administrator, Employment Standards Administration, United States Department of Labor, by letter dated January 16, 1987, recommended to our Office that Sealtite Corporation and Miles S. Firnhaber, individually and as President of Sealtite Corporation, be placed on the debarred bidders list for violations of the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-5 (1982), with respect to the above-referenced contract.

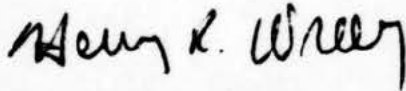
We concur with the Assistant Administrator's recommendation. The Davis-Bacon Act provides that the Comptroller General is to debar persons or firms whom he finds to have disregarded their obligations to employees under the Act. 40 U.S.C. § 276a-2. Our review of the record confirms that there were substantial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

Accordingly, Sealtite Corporation and Miles Firnhaber, individually and as its 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.

When the funds which equal the amount by which Sealtite Corporation underpaid its employees are received by our

Claims Group they will be distributed to the wage claimants in accordance with established procedures.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Henry R. Wray". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Henry" and last name "Wray" clearly distinguishable.

Henry R. Wray
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