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William S. Pickett, President
Keith & Pickett, Inc.
6711 New Hampshire Avenue
Tacoma Park, Maryland 20783

Subject: Keith & Pickett, Inc.

Contracts Nos: DACA31-81-C-0053
Cameron Station
Alexandria, Virginia

DAHC30-80-C-0060
Fort Myer
Arlington, Virginia

DOL File Nos: VA-84-177 and VA-84-379

Dear Mr. Pickett:

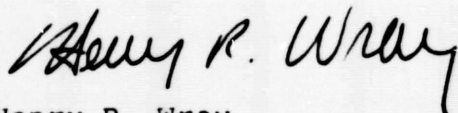
The Assistant Administrator, Employment Standards Administration, United States Department of Labor, by letter dated April 29, 1985, has recommended to our Office that the names Keith & Pickett, Inc., and William S. Pickett, individually and as President, be placed on the ineligible bidders list for 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 Assistant Administrator's recommendation. The Davis-Bacon Act provides that the Comptroller General is to debar persons and firms whom he finds have disregarded their obligations to their employees under the act. See 40 U.S.C. § 276a-2. Our review of the record in this case confirms that there were substantial violations which constitute a disregard of obligations to your employees with respect to the minimum wage provisions of the Act.

Accordingly, your name and that of Keith & Pickett, Inc., will be included on the list of ineligible bidders to be distributed to all departments of the Federal government. Pursuant to statutory direction (40 U.S.C. § 276a-2), no contract shall be awarded to Keith & Pickett, Inc., or to

you, or to any other firm, corporation, partnership or association in which you have an interest until 3 years have elapsed from the date of publication of that list.

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
Associate General Counsel

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