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Mr. Kenneth M. Baxter
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Dear Mr. Baxter:

Subject: K. M. Baxter, Inc.
Contract No. N62474-80-C-9455
DOL File No. IX-85-CA-113

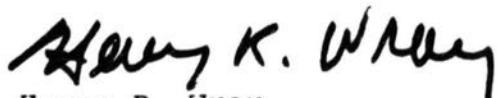
The Assistant Administrator, Employment Standards Administration, United States Department of Labor, by letter dated August 13, 1985, recommended to our Office that K. M. Baxter, Inc., and Kenneth M. Baxter, individually and as president of K. M. Baxter, Inc., be placed on the ineligible bidders list for violations of the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-5 (1982), with respect to the above-referenced 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 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, K. M. Baxter, Inc., and Kenneth M. Baxter individually and as president of K. M. Baxter, Inc., 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 record indicates that restitution has been made to the workers involved.

Sincerely yours,



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