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TO ROLLING AT SUPERIOR STEEL CORPORATION

FROM F. L. Cuthbert

REFERENCE ^C E. Bussert

About three weeks ago I discussed, by phone, slab conditioning progress on Production Order 117 at AM&F with Mr. Delage of NYOO. At the time I asked about the prospective Superior rolling date and possibility for NLO representatives to observe the operation. I mentioned that a member of the Technical Division here and Mr. Yocco would like to attend, in addition to Mr. Merrill, who has been asked to handle instrumentation by the AEC.

Mr. Delage could give no more definite date than about the first of August, partly because of a conflicting group vacation set-up at Superior. He further commented that the situation for visitors was still uncertain because of a personnel problem in the steel plant. However, he promised to find out what the prospects were and let me know very soon. Since then I have heard no more from New York regarding either the rolling date or the visit.

In the absence of any other information, and in accordance with my discussion of the matter with you, I called Superior myself last week. It has been my habit to get in contact with industrial contractors ahead of a visit anyway, as a matter of courtesy. I talked to Mr. J. J. Reardon, Vice President, and pointed out that people desiring to visit would likely include two from New York, someone from Du Pont, and Mr. Merrill. I asked specifically if one member of our Technical Division and one of our Rolling Mill could attend, in addition to the above. Mr. Reardon stated that their personnel situation had cleared and that anyone we thought should observe the rolling would be welcome, although he preferred not to have a large crowd. We agreed that two, or at most three, in addition to Mr. Merrill, would attend from NLO. Accordingly, I submitted clearance papers for myself, or J. D. Huss as an alternate, and Mr. Yocco.

On July 30 Mr. Stanford called to say that, from NLO, only Mr. Merrill would be cleared to attend the rolling, which now is scheduled for sometime during the week of August 3.

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I have had considerable contact with the Superior people regarding rolling problems and other details, and movements of metal and supplies. I have visited there twice, and Mr. Huss once. I am acquainted with both management and operating people, and have always found them to be most hospitable and friendly.

Yours truly,

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