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Mr. Robert Link, Manager
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION 70-1257/2009-001

Dear Mr. Link:

This letter refers to your March 5, 2009, response to the Notice of Violation transmitted to you by our letter dated February 9, 2009. We have determined that you have adequately identified both the root cause of the violation and the corrective actions to prevent recurrence. The violation will remain open until we have verified implementation of your corrective actions during future inspections.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 562-4721.

Sincerely,

/RA/ C. Payne for

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