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John Orrell City of Worcester 455 Main St., Room 404 Worcester, MA 01608

RE: Worcester Norrback Magnet School/Composite and Metal Roofing

Dear Mr. Orrell:

This letter responds to your February 18, 1999 letter requesting clarification of certain occupational classifications appearing on the prevailing wage schedule issued for the construction of the Norrback Magnet School. Specifically, your request seeks clarification regarding the roofing sub-trade.

As you may know, the Division of Occupational Safety, when determining the occupational titles and rates of pay that appear on the prevailing wage schedules, is obligated to use "certain trades and occupations" appearing in "collective agreements." (See M.G.L. c. 149, s. 26) With respect to the roofing sub-trade, two collective bargaining agreements have jurisdiction in the Worcester area. For your review, I have enclosed the craft jurisdiction language, terminology contained in a collective agreement, for both the United Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers, Local #33 and the Sheet Metal Workers International Association, Local #63.

If this information is insufficient you may in the future exercise an appeal "from...a classification" in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 149, s. 27A.

As for your request that the Division of Occupational Safety inspect the construction site in question, please be aware that all field activity under prevailing wage law is conducted by the Attorney General's Office of Fair Labor and Business Practices. That office can be reached at (617) 727-2200.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions.

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