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GEORGE E. BERGER, P.E.  
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Mr. William Marion, P.E.  
1714 East 33rd Street  
Brooklyn, New York 11234

Re: 265 West 40th Street, Manhattan  
Block #1015, Lot #5  
B.N. #1385/86

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Horizontal Venting for Boilers

Dear Mr. Marion:

Your amendment requesting reconsideration to permit the proposed horizontal venting for the boilers has been forwarded to this office for review.

The Lettner HEF Series Boilers have been accepted by the MEA Division in both their high-and low-temperature configurations. The MEA acceptance required vertical venting of the products of combustion. Since the temperatures exceed the maximums permitted by Section C26-1501.1(a) of the Building Code, a chimney which complies with the requirements of Article 15 is required.

Although a draft inducer lowers the applicable temperature so that horizontal venting is permissible, the existing MEA acceptance does not include this feature for the high-pressure boiler. Until such time as draft inducers are officially accepted, horizontal venting cannot be approved.

Very truly yours,

George E. Berger, P.E.  
Assistant Commissioner

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cc: Executive Staff