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December 8, 1966

Mr. Jack Bono
Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc.
P. O. Box 247
Northbrook, Illinois

Re: Method of Determining Fire Resistance Ratings of Loaded Beams

Dear Jack:

At our meeting of December 1, 1966, our association voted unanimously to recommend and aggressively support the principle, that a temperature criteria be adopted for all structural beams.

We feel that this should apply to all situations where a beam is used and no beam should be rated as part of an assembly without use of a temperature criterion.

We are not making any recommendation as to the actual temperature criteria to be used. We are happy to leave this to the experts.

We want you to know that you will have the full support of our association and its individual members in this connection.

Sincerely yours,
ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
M. LIEFF

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