

March 4, 2017

Laurie Leader  
Plan Review/Code Enforcement  
City of Portland, Maine  
Inspections Divisions, Room 315  
389 Congress Street  
Portland, ME 04101

**RE: Gateway Garage – Façade Restoration Phase 2  
173 High St. Portland, ME**

Ms. Leader,

Based on our interpretation of the International Building Code it is our opinion that this restoration project does not require Special Inspections per chapter 17. However, due to the structural nature of some aspects of the work the project will require periodic oversight by Becker Structural Engineers (BSE).

BSE is working closely with Knowles Industrial Services and their subcontractors on this project and expects to be on site regularly to review existing conditions as they are exposed by the demolition of the existing façade. We are contracted with the Owner to provide written field reports from our visits and will copy the City on each report. We will also provide the City with a written summary of the project upon completion.

I trust that this addresses the City's concerns at this time. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns regarding this project.

Sincerely,

**BECKER STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS, Inc.**



Joshua Martin-McNaughton  
Project Engineer



CC: CJ Follini, Michael Urbanski, Tim Rich