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Leyli Johnson Port Property Management 104 Grant Street Portland, ME 04101

Re: 652 Congress Street Portland, Maine

Project Number: 15-009

Leyli:

This letter is to confirm that Casco Bay Engineering visited the existing building located at 652 Congress in Portland, Maine to observe the existing first floor wall between units 650A and 652. Based on our observations, it appears that the existing wall between the steel columns is non-load bearing and can be removed.

We recommend before removal of the wall, the contractor shall verify that the existing beam located over the wall is continuous between columns. The contractor should also verify that the beams have adequate support at each end.

Please note that our recommendations are based on visual observations while on site. Should unforeseen conditions arise, the contractor shall notify Casco Bay Engineering, as our recommendations may change accordingly.

Casco Bay Engineering did not analyze any other portion of the building not mentioned above.

Please contact us if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tony Dumais, P.E. Casco Bay Engineering