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Merrill Industries
C/O P.D. Merrill
601 Danforth St.
Portland, ME 04102

Re: Guards on stairs/RUBB 7 / Permit # 050630

Dear Mr. Merrill,

As we discussed at the final inspection for a Temporary Occupancy Permit for RUBB 7 at the 601 Danforth St. on November 23rd, 2005, the guards for both stairways on the West side of the structure were fabricated with a height of 34 inches above the leading edge of the stair treads. This condition is not consistent with the attached proposed stair plan furnished by the project engineer, and is in violation of Section 1012.2 of the 2003 IBC.

The rails must be made to conform to the 42 inch minimum standard and also must have a graspable "handrail" on each side that is between 34 and 38 inches as measured from the leading edge of the stair tread within each guard.

This correction must occur within 30 days. A reinspection has been scheduled for January 5th, 2006 at which tile compliance is required.

Failure to comply will result in the matter being referred to the City's Corporation Counsel for the appropriate legal disposition. Please feel free to contact me at 874-8700.

Mike Nugent
Inspections Division Director