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City of Portland
389 Congress Street
Portland, ME 04101

Attn: Laurie Leader, Plan Review / Code Enforcement
David Petruccelli, Fire Captain

Re: Response to Permit Review Comments, BP#2015-01369 767 Congress St.

Laurie / David:

Thank you for your recent review of the above referenced construction permit package. We received Laurie's comments on 7/28/15 via email and David's were provided at our site meeting on 7/31/15. We are providing revised drawings as well as this letter to summarize our response to those comments.

Response to Comments:

Sheet A1.0:

- **Exterior Work:** Added note to clarify that exterior work is not intended as part of this project.

Sheet A3.0:

- **Comment:** *"Given this is a commercial kitchen and not food processing, this would just be considered an A-2 assembly. The occupant load calculation would break down the use of each individual space."*
  - **Response:** "General Code Summary / Overview" and note on floor plan have been revised to reflect the A-2 occupancy category.
- **Comment:** *"Per Section 1008.1.4.3 horizontal sliding door, there are 8 criteria sliding doors must comply with. Please address and revise."*
  - **Response:** See revised sheet A3.0. Section 1008.1.4.3 refers to doors used as means of egress. Due to low occupant load, only one door width will be required for exiting. We propose that one door leaf will be fixed open (location shown on plan). All others to remain operable.
- **Comments per email (7/21/15) and phone conversation (7/23/15):**
  - **As-Built Drawings:** As-built drawings were submitted via email on 7/22/15 for clarification of existing conditions.
  - **Drawing Clarification:** It was requested that we remove as many notes as possible from the construction drawings that relate to existing conditions. We have removed several notes, as requested.
  - **Stair #3 at Basement:** It was requested that we clarify the rated wall / door construction at the basement level. Note adjacent to the stair has been revised to clarify.

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- **Modifications requested at 7/31/15 site visit with David Petruccelli:**
  - **Kitchen Storage (Under Stair):** Requested that we provide either an add Type 'X' GWB or a sprinkler head in this closet. Drawings have been not
  - **Exit Light Location:** Requested that exit sign be added in hallway (near kitchen door) to direct occupants to rear exit door. See floor plan for sign location and notes.

Sheet A3.1:

- **Comment:** *"The solid dashed lines on this plan sheet are very similar and difficult to differentiate. Also, the key does not provide the representation of an existing wall with separation. Please alter key plan to help clarify."*
  - **Response:** The key plan has been modified to reflect both new and existing fire-rated wall construction. Please also note that the wall symbols provide a description of the wall construction for new and existing walls in the project work area.

Sheet A7.0:

- **Comment:** *"Provide wall detail and head of wall section showing continuity of separation."*
  - **Response:** See details 6/A7.0 (existing wall/ceiling intersection) and 7/A7.0 (new or existing ceiling intersection at new wall.)