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Attention: Lilyanna L. Peysler, Esq.

Dear Ms. Peysler:

On behalf of Albany International Corp., this will confirm our conversation in which the Staff agreed to extend until February 1, 2010 the time for Albany to respond to the Staff's comment letter dated December 31, 2009.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Groll
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cc: Dr. Joseph G. Morone
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