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ROBERT L. JACKSON *RLJ* for the
Chief, Declassification Branch

Some time ago I discussed with you the possibility that some recognition might be given by the Army to Wolverine Tube Division for the important part they have played in the development of our project. I should like to remind you of some of the ways in which they have cooperated with us and suggest that some action be taken to indicate to them that their assistance has been appreciated. I believe the desirability of showing this appreciation is well demonstrated by the fact that corporations doing less secret war work are given the Army-Navy E when their record has been unusually good.

Some of the work which was done through the direct cooperation of Wolverine is listed below.

1. Demonstration of the feasibility of extruding uranium rods and tubes in the gamma temperature range.
2. Same in the alpha temperature range.
3. Extrusion of boron-carbide-aluminum control rods.
4. Drawing of cadmium-aluminum control rods for P-9 pile.
5. Demonstration of feasibility of making the W wrapped tubes as well as other types of internally and externally wrapped tubes.
6. Jacketing of uranium both inside and outside with aluminum.
7. Jacketing of all uranium rods used in the P-9 pile.
8. Drawing of many slugs in one continuous jacket.
9. Making of uranium tubing by hot piercing.
10. Extrusion of thorium metal.
11. Extrusion of beryllium tubes and rods.
12. Making of many special tubes and rods of aluminum, lead, bismuth, zinc, tin, brass, copper, and high purity aluminum, almost always on very short notice.

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Although it is, of course, impossible to give public recognition to Wolverine at the present time for these contributions, I believe that good will would be promoted if some high ranking officer would write a message of congratulation to the management of Wolverine, thanking them for their part in our war program. It should be remembered that Wolverine is not a research organization and all of these jobs were done by them in collaboration with us entirely in a spirit of cooperation. Many of them were done in the early days even before a contract existed and were certainly not profitable in any sense to the Company.

I should appreciate it very much if you would give this matter your consideration.

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cc: Allison
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