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Mr. James L. Besl
President
Force Control Industries
3660 Dixie Highway
Fairfield, Ohio 45014

Dear Mr. Besl:

With your consent, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) conducted a radiological survey at the Former Associate Aircraft Tool and Manufacturing Company site in Fairfield, Ohio. DOE has received the survey report from its survey contractor, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL). Two copies of the report are enclosed for your information and use.

The report concludes that uranium is present in the facility in excess of the DOE guidelines for residual radioactive material. This conclusion is based on direct radiation measurements (shown graphically on Figures 8, 9, 14, and Table 5 on pages 8, 9, 22, and 29, respectively) and on analysis of soil samples, dust samples, and scrapings from the floor seams (reported in Tables 3, 4, and 5, on pages 27, 28, and 29, respectively).

In a letter report previously provided to you, ORNL stated: "Under present use conditions, we do not believe there is any significant health risk from the uranium contamination." DOE continues to agree with this assessment. The only significant health concern would be a change in the use of the building which could result in the inhalation or ingestion of radioactivity by building occupants. For this reason, DOE recommends against construction or renovation activities in areas where residual uranium is present.

Due to the elevated radioactivity present within the building, the facility will be considered for inclusion in DOE's Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program. If I can provide further information or be of any assistance, please call me at 301-903-8149.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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