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Employment Standards Administration
Office of Labor-Management Standards
Washington, D.C. 20210



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LM File No. [REDACTED]

Joseph Geiger, President
Carpenters Local 1536
395 Hudson Street, 8th Floor
New York, NY 10014

Dear Mr. Geiger:

This is in response to your continuing hardship exemption request for Carpenters Local 1536, LM File Number [REDACTED], for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Your letter dated December 18, 2007 was received by the Office of Labor-Management Standards (OLMS) on January 9, 2008. A continuing hardship exemption request requires the requesting union to demonstrate that it cannot file Form LM-2 electronically without undue burden or expense.

According to your letter, your local recently had a change of officers, which required you to obtain new digital signatures. Because of a mistake in the address on one of the signatures of which you were not aware, you have been delayed in receiving those signatures. You are now in the process of reapplying for digital signatures. It is your intention to file your LM-2 electronically as soon as the issues are resolved.

OLMS grants your continuing hardship exemption request for filing Form LM-2 electronically for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, based on the information provided, until March 15, 2008.

Because you are delinquent in filing your report, please mail a signed hard copy of your LM-2 to OLMS as quickly as possible

If you have any further questions about filing Form LM-2 pursuant to the hardship exemption, please call 202-693-0123 and reference your organization's LM file number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Beverly E. Walker".

Beverly E. Walker, Chief
Division of Interpretations
and Standards

cc: Larry King, Chief, Division of Reports, Disclosure & Audits