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



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LM File No. [REDACTED]

Merv Wiltshire, Business Manager
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Local 1523
530 East Harry
Wichita, KS 67211

Dear Mr. Wiltshire:

This is in response to your continuing hardship exemption request for International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1523, LM File Number [REDACTED], for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. Your request dated June 12, 2008 was received by the Office of Labor-Management Standards (OLMS) on June 18, 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.

You based your request upon the following information stated in your letter:

This is your local's first year filing an LM-2 and you are in the process of obtaining digital signatures. You anticipate filing your report electronically by September 1, 2008.

OLMS grants your continuing hardship exemption request for filing Form LM-2 electronically for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007, based on the information provided, until September 1, 2008. If you have not already done so, please file the paper version of your Form LM-2 as soon as possible. Until this report has been received, your union will be considered delinquent in its filing.

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