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From: Director, Engineering Directorate (N7)

To: Peter J. Schwalbenberg, President, P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc.

Subj: QUALIFICATION OF P.J. SCHWALBENBERG & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO
PROVIDE PROPULSION AND AUXILIARY STEAM TURBINE AND REDUCTION
GEAR SERVICE SUPPORT FOR MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND SHIPS

Ref: (a) COMSC Inst 4490.1 Original Equipment Manufacturers and Non-Original Equipment
Manufacturers (OEM) Use Policy

1. Reference (a) establishes Military Sealift Command (MSC) policy requiring use of OEM parts and service for critical shipboard equipment. The instruction further permits the qualification of non-OEMs, provided the cognizant Program Manager and N7 Engineering Director determine that: a specific contractor satisfies relevant qualification criteria specified in the instruction, and; in the circumstances, it is in the best interest of the Government to employ the services of other than OEM contractors.

2. P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc. submitted all required information. An MSC N7 Engineering evaluation team reviewed that information and determined that P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc. meets the relevant reference (a) qualification criteria for maintenance and repair services on Propulsion and Auxiliary Steam Turbines manufactured by General Electric, Delaval and Worthington; as well as Turbine Reduction Gears of Various Manufacture.

3. P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc. is deemed qualified to provide OEM-equivalent parts, maintenance and repair on MSC ships for Propulsion and Auxiliary Steam Turbines manufactured by General Electric, Delaval and Worthington; and Turbine Reduction Gears of Various Manufacture. This qualification must be re-evaluated no later than 24 months from the date of this letter. Within its sole discretion, MSC may revoke qualification at any time if P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc. fails to provide quality maintenance and repair services, or if P.J. Schwalbenberg & Associates, Inc. is unable to sustain the capabilities required in reference (a).

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