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Attention: Vic Omelchenko

Dear Mr. Omelchenko,

As the Chairman of the Northern Virginia Joint Committee on Fire and Arson Investigation, I would like to express my appreciation to you and your company for your assistance with the recent Fire Inspector recertification class that was held at the Fairfax County Fire Training Center this week.

The information presented by David Miller and Joe Shinko, to the forty some students in the class, regarding vibration and airblast from blasting was excellent. Several good comments, from those who were in attendance, have been received regarding the information they provided. I know that I didn't give David a lot of direction when we first spoke about this class, last week, but in a short time he put together an excellent program that was on target. The students went away from this class with a better understanding of the how to deal with blasting complaints.

Once again, thank you for your commitment to this class and the support your company provided. It is good to see teamwork between the industry and regulators of an industry to provide a safe environment for use to live and work in.

Sincerely,

Ernie Little

Chairman

Northern Virginia Committee on Fire and Arson Investigation

Captain- Prince William County Fire Marshal's Office