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Assistant Secretary for  
Occupational Safety and Health  
Washington, D.C. 20210



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Mr. Randy Epperson  
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Dear Mr. Epperson:

I am pleased to inform you that the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has approved the advancement of your facility from the Merit to the Star Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). Please accept my congratulations on this noteworthy achievement. You have joined an elite group of organizations that provide exemplary occupational safety and health protection and serve as models for others. Important VPP information and a copy of the VPP Onsite Evaluation Report recommending your approval are enclosed. Also, we will be sending a copy of the VPP Onsite Evaluation Report to your collective bargaining representative.

You and your employees should take great pride in having reached the top tier of VPP participation. You have completed your Merit goals in a timely fashion. Your dedication and perseverance have allowed you to set your safety and health benchmark at a level to which few organizations aspire. We encourage you to educate and mentor others in the benefits of effectively managing occupational safety and health.

On behalf of OSHA, I extend my thanks to you and your employees for your commitment to excellence, the VPP, and the principle of continuous improvement. I look forward to hearing about your ongoing safety and health endeavors and successes.

Sincerely,

David Michaels, PhD, MPH

Enclosures

cc: Tim Scott, Glass, Molders, Pottery, Plastics, and Allied Workers International Union,  
Local 65B