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Dear Mr. Mittl:

SUBJECT: 1. USE OF CODE CASE N-411
2. ELIMINATION OF ARBITRARY INTERMEDIATE PIPE BREAKS

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Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Enclosure: As stated

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