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Attention: Jennifer Thompson
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Dear Ms. Thompson:

On behalf of Albany International Corp., this will confirm my conversation with Mr. Blume in which the Staff agreed that Albany may have until January 8, 2013 to respond to the Staff's comment letter dated December 4, 2012. On behalf of Albany, thank you for your consideration.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Groll
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cc: Mr. John B. Cozzolino
Charles J. Silva, Jr., Esq.