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Dear Valued Customers:

As you have likely seen, the state governments of both Ohio and Illinois have joined others in issuing “stay at home” orders to combat the spread of COVID-19. However, each provides exceptions for essential businesses necessary to support the critical infrastructure of our economy.

Prince & Izant, as well as its subsidiary Bellman-Melcor, qualifies as a “Critical Manufacturing” company under the “Essential Critical Infrastructure” as defined by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Those guidelines identify “Critical Manufacturing” as those “[w]orkers necessary for the manufacturing of materials and products needed for medical supply chains, transportation, energy, communications...nuclear facilities...and the defense industrial base.”¹

As a result, all of our manufacturing facilities, including in Ohio and Illinois, remain fully operational, and we look forward to continuing to serve you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 216-898-7383.

Sincerely,



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¹ See “Memorandum on Identification of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers During COVID-19 Response,” available at <https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CISA-Guidance-on-Essential-Critical-Infrastructure-Workers-1-20-508c.pdf>.