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14005 376	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0004907773	3 13 90	ADJUSTABLE MOUNTING SURFACE	
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14005 390	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005383317	1 24 95	SHAFT WALL CAVITY EXTENSION	
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14005 392C	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005749192	5 12 98	CORNER CLIPS FOR HORIZONTAL FRAMING	
14005 393	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005361556	11 8 94	HORIZONTAL UNITIZED PANEL	
14005 396	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005353561	10 11 94	AREA SEPARATION WALL AND STUD THEREFOR	
14005 397	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005475961	12 19 95	VERTICAL POST ASSEMBLY	
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14005 403	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005524410	6 11 96	FRAMING COMPONENTS OF EXPANDED METAL, AND METHOD OF MAKING SUCH COMPONENTS	
14005 403A	US	MENCHETTI, R.	0005661881	9 2 97	METHOD OF MAKING FRAMING COMPONENTS OF EXPANDED METAL	
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14005 300	US	WING, S.	0004279081	7 21 81	WALLBOARD T-SQUARE	
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January 21, 1998

National Gypsum Company
2001 Rexford Road
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Attention: Samuel A. Schiffman, Esq.

Re: Credit Agreement dated as of April 30, 1996 among National Gypsum Company ("National Gypsum"), the financial institutions party thereto as lenders (the "Lenders") and NationsBank, N.A., as Administrative Agent (the "Administrative Agent") and First Union National Bank of North Carolina, as Documentation Agent (as amended to the date hereof, the "Credit Agreement"; capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement)

Dear Mr. Schiffman:

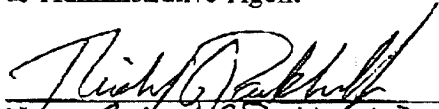
We understand that National Gypsum intends to (a) exercise its purchase option (either itself or through National Gypsum Energy Company, a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary) for a gypsum rock vessel ("Trailblazer") currently leased by Borrower, (b) immediately sell Trailblazer to CSL Cabo Shipping, Inc ("CSL") and (c) enter into an operating lease pursuant to which National Gypsum will charter Trailblazer from CSL (the events set forth in (a) through (c) above, the "Sale-Leaseback Transaction").

We further understand that National Gypsum intends to sell the Niles, Ohio metal products fabricating plant and in connection therewith to dispose of certain Equipment and Inventory located at such plant and such issued patents and patent applications as set forth on Annex A hereto (the "Niles Transaction"; and together with the Sale-Leaseback Transaction, the "Transactions").

The Transactions have been approved by the Agents and the Lenders as required by Section 9.08 of the Credit Agreement, pursuant to the Limited Waiver and Consent of even date herewith among National Gypsum, the Lenders and the Agents.

Based on the foregoing and in accordance with Section 2.08 of the Pledge and Security Agreement dated as of April 30, 1996, among the Grantors named therein and the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties (the "Security Agreement"), the Administrative Agent hereby releases its security interest in the following Collateral (as defined in the Security Agreement) (a) the option to purchase the Trailblazer, a General Intangible (as defined in the Security Agreement), (b) the Trailblazer, during the interval between the exercise of the purchase option and the sale - leaseback with CSL, and (c) the Inventory and Equipment (as defined in the Security Agreement) and such issued patents and patent applications as set forth on Annex A hereto located at the Niles, Ohio metal fabricating plant.

NATIONSBANK, N.A.,
as Administrative Agent


Name: Richard G. Parkhurst, Jr.
Title: Vice President

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14005 291	CA	BURKE, M.	0001079470	6 17 80	BONDED TWO PIECE METAL STUD		6 17 97
14005 293	CA	PEARSON, R.	0001104819	7 7 81	STRABLING STACKABLE STUD		7 7 98
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14005 298	US2	PEARSON, R.	0004324079	4 13 82	CORNERHEAD AND CORNER CLIP		4 13 99
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14005 300	CA	WING, S.	0001139933	1 25 83	RETRACTABLE-PIN STABILIZERS ON A WALLBOARD T-SQUARE		1 25 99
14005 300	US2	WING, S.	0004279081	7 21 81	WALLBOARD T-SQUARE		7 21 99
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14005 302	CA	PEARSON, R.	0001130973	9 7 82	METAL STUD		9 7 99
14005 309	CA	SCHMELLER, J.	0001150473	7 26 85	COLLAPSEABLE, LIGHTWEIGHT BUILDING STUD		7 26 00
14005 324	CA	ROVIND, J.	0001181219	1 22 85	STUD EXTENDERS		1 22 2
14005 325	CA	RUTKOWSKI, E.	0001102344	2 12 85	METAL STUD		2 12 2
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