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DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

March 23, 2005

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: Jackie L. Currie
Detroit City Clerk

The following petition is herewith referred to you for report and recommendation to the City Council

In accordance with that body's directive, kindly return the same with your report in duplicate within four (4) weeks.

/PUBLIC WORKS - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION/

3523 American Axle and Manufacturing, for outright vacation of Vulcan Street, Fordyce Avenue, Marston Avenue, and Morrow Avenue.

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March 18, 2005

Jackie L. Currie, City Clerk
The Honorable City Council
City of Detroit
200 City County Building
2 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48226

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DETROIT AUTO

RE: Closure and Vacation of Vulcan Street, Fordyce Avenue, and Morrow Avenue North of Marston Avenue

Dear Ms. Currie:

American Axle & Manufacturing, Inc. ("AAM") hereby requests that Detroit City Council approve the closing and permanent vacation of Vulcan Street, Fordyce Avenue, and Morrow Avenue north of Marston Avenue, as shown on the attached map. The property adjoining all of these roadways is owned 100% by AAM. The roadways in question are located in the AAM South Campus area, in the vicinity of St. Aubin and Clay Avenue, just south of AAM's World Headquarters and Detroit Gear & Axle/Detroit Forge manufacturing complex.

AAM has previously filed Detroit City Council petition nos. 1258, 3531, 924, and 2112 requesting street and alley closure in the vicinity of AAM's World Headquarters complex. Petition 1258 was approved through two City Council resolutions; one dated December 6, 1995, and the other dated May 14, 1997. Petition no. 3531 was approved through City Council resolution dated April 28, 1999. It is my understanding that petition nos. 924 and 2112 are still pending, but that petition no. 2112 has been submitted for approval by City Council either this week or will be submitted next week, and that petition no. 924 will be submitted for approval by City Council in the next few weeks.

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The objective of our current request is to close the subject roadways to facilitate beautification and safety improvement in the area. We have no current plans to conduct any building construction on any of the current roadways, but that may change over time and, if so, we will of course coordinate with Detroit City Engineering as appropriate. In presenting this current request, AAM seeks to continue its commitment to improving and beautifying the area around its Detroit site and further demonstrates AAM's continued commitment to the City of Detroit.

Enclosed is a detailed map showing the roadways we would like to have closed and vacated; they are highlighted in yellow.

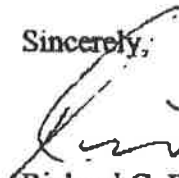
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AAM has worked with the City of Detroit Planning and Development Department previously regarding the above petitions as well as other matters and is familiar with their procedures and processes. It is our hope that the City Clerk's office will be in a position to submit resolutions for approval of the requested closure and vacation as soon as possible.

Please advise if there is anything that AAM can do to expedite this request or if you have any questions or need additional information. My direct telephone number is (313) 758-4869.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Richard G. Raymond
General Counsel

Cc: James Foster - Detroit City Engineering
Patrick S. Lancaster - AAM
Christian M. Markwort - AAM

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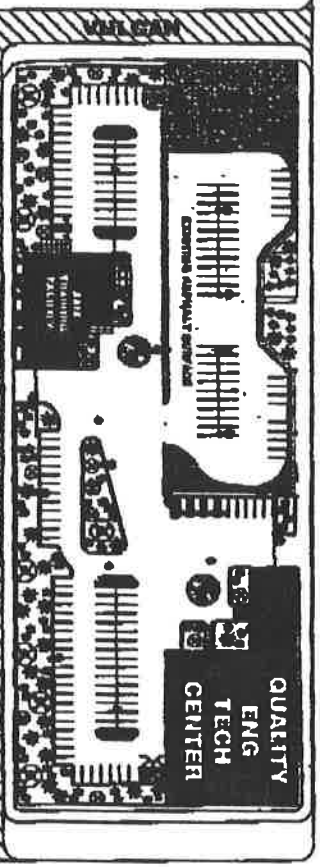
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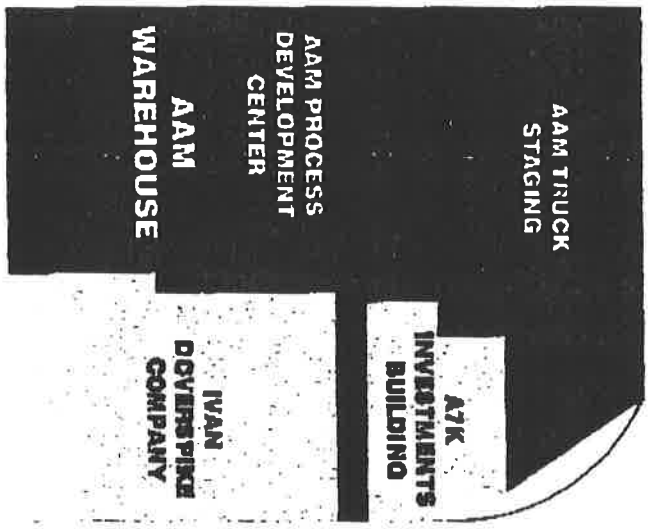
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