Critical Industry Employee Authorization to Travel Regardless of the Time of Day

To Whom It May Concern:

The individual in possession of this letter works in the Sign Manufacturing industry and must travel to and from work and engage in his or her work activities regardless of the time of day as an employee in a sector that has been deemed by the U.S. Government as critical to the infrastructure of the United States. The sign manufacturing industry is essential for the continued function of the economy in this time of crisis. It is essential to the nation’s food supply, banking other essential businesses to remain open, that this individual is permitted to proceed to or from his or her job or to otherwise perform his or her job function.

The Sign Industry has been designated a “Critical Infrastructure Segment” under Presidential Policy Directive 21 and Department of Homeland Security emergency readiness programs implementing the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001. 42 U.S.C. § 5195c(e). It is, therefore, the policy of the United States government that these industries continue to function with minimal disruption in the event of an emergency. Furthermore, in a March 16, 2020 guidance, the President of the United States instructed employees of Critical Infrastructure Industries, including the electrical sign sector, to continue to perform their normal job functions during the coronavirus pandemic.

- The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America (March 16, 2020)

As such, the individual in possession of this letter is a “critical infrastructure industry employee” of the sign industry and should be considered exempt from local restrictions such as curfews, shelter-in-place orders, and other mobility restrictions when reporting to, returning from, or performing his or her work functions. We ask that you allow this individual to continue with his or her job in the interest of protecting public health and security.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact John Lewis, President, Lewis Sign.

Certified by,

John Lewis