



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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New York District

Food & Drug Administration
158-15 Liberty Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11433

WARNING LETTER

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Salvador Catucci
President
American Stevedoring, Inc.
70 Hamilton Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11231

October 30, 2000

Ref.: NYK-2001-11

Dear Mr. Catucci:

During an inspection on October 2, 2000 of American Stevedoring's Red Hook Marine Terminal, Brooklyn, New York, our investigator observed violations of the Public Health Service Act and implementing regulations for the Control of Communicable Diseases and Interstate Conveyance Sanitation (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 1240 and 1250).

At the conclusion of the inspection, our investigator presented to you a list of Inspectional Observations, Form FDA 483 (copy attached), and Inspection Summary for Vessel Watering Point Sanitation, Form FDA 2521 (copy attached).

The following deviations were observed during the inspection:

- On piers 10 and 11 there were no backflow preventer devices in the water lines leading to the hydrant outlets.
- On piers 10 and 11 the hydrant outlets do not terminate at least 18 inches above the pier surface.
- There was no cap and no keeper chain on the hydrant outlet located on pier 10.

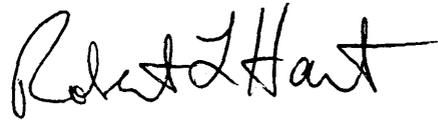
As a result of the above violations, a "Provisional" classification has been assigned for a period of thirty (30) days at which time a reinspection will be conducted. If significant improvement has not been made at that time, a "Not Approved" classification will be justified.

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The above violations are not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies which may exist. You should take prompt action to correct these deviations. It is your responsibility to ensure that all requirements of the Public Health Service Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder are being met. Please notify this office in writing within 15 working days of receipt of this letter, of the specific steps you have taken to correct the noted violations.

Your response should be sent to Laurence D. Daurio, Compliance Officer, Food and Drug Administration, 158-15 Liberty Avenue, Jamaica, New York 11433. If you have any questions, Mr. Daurio's telephone number is 718-662-5585.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Robert L. Hart
Acting District Director

Enclosures: Form FDA 483
Form FDA 2521