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May 5th, 2000

Administrator
Operating Engineers' Welfare & Pension Plans
#402 - 4333 Ledger Avenue
Burnaby, BC V5G 4G9

Dear Sir:

This is my request to be informed with respect to the following:

1. The total amount of our pension funds invested and / or disbursed for the acquisition and operation of The Coast Bastion Inn or Coast Bastion Hotel located in Nanaimo BC .
2. Whether or not any of our pension funds have been disbursed for the purpose of operating capital or as an operating subsidy respecting the relevant entity.
3. Whether or not the relevant entity is generating a profit or paying dividends to our pension plan and if so, how much ?
4. Whether or not our pension plan is in compliance with The Pension Benefits and Standards Act of British Columbia and if not, why not?

Possibly a complete current audited financial statement relating to the relevant entity would suffice as a response to some of my queries.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Yours truly,

J. T. Malange
Retired pension plan beneficiary.