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Mr. Gregory Johnson
President
Huffmaster Companies
1055 West Maple Road
Clawson, MI 48017

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Office of the New York Attorney General (the “Attorney General”) received complaints concerning Huffmaster Companies’ (“Huffmaster”) work for Mercy Hospital in Buffalo, New York.

It is our understanding that Huffmaster is providing services to Mercy Hospital as both an employment agency and as a ‘watch, guard, or patrol agency’ without a license. New York law requires a company to obtain a license to provide either service and precludes a company from obtaining a license to provide both services. New York General Business Law Sections 70-a(2), 74(3), 172. It is also our understanding that Huffmaster employees have been interfering with the rights of picketers in violation of General Business Law Section 84.

Please immediately cease providing services to Mercy Hospital as either an employment agency or watch, guard, or patrol agency, and ensure that Huffmaster employees are not interfering with the picketers’ right to protest. If there is any information that you would like to provide to our office, you may send it to my attention at the email address below or contact me at 646-584-7402.

Very truly yours,

s/ Karen Cacace
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