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Commanding Officer  
U. S. Army Ordnance District  
55 North Grand Avenue  
Pasadena, California

ATTENTION: Mr. T. E. Carpenter, Contracting Officer

Dear Sir:

Confirming our February 10, 13 and 14 conversations, and supplementing my February 11, 1958 letter (requesting approval to use LOKI loading and processing tooling), I wish to advise as follows.

Cooper Development Corporation, Monrovia, California is sending their Mr. Williams to Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama on February 17, 1958, and he will meet with Mr. R. L. Weatherington to make arrangements to obtain 1,000 LOKI cases for use on Navy Ordnance Laboratory NAMP Program. Apparently, Cooper is to arrange for the loading and conversion of the LOKI cases, and at this time could accommodate loading and processing of the LOKI units which we must replace to the Navy.

Mr. Harvey of Cooper Development Corporation advised that NOL is also going to request your approval to allow JPL to loan the LOKI loading and processing equipment to Cooper for a period of about one year. By this means, the Navy and the AEC will benefit by using existing equipment and avoiding duplication of costs to the Government. Accordingly, your approval to loan this tooling is requested. It would appear that the preponderance of the usage would be for the Navy; therefore, accountability should be with NOL sponsored work.

We would also like your approval and authorization to JPL to release two RTV motors to Cooper Development Corporation for use under our Subcontract 108, under our Prime Contract W-7403-Eng-48 with the AEC. The units are described as Part Number JPL-819740, Serial Numbers 3-479 and 3-491. These units are needed immediately for our program, as outlined in my February 11 letter to you. The RTV units are to be used as an alternate second-stage propulsion unit as an experiment in lieu of LOKI units.

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It is our understanding that JPL is agreeable to release these loaded motors to Cooper for use on our work and is willing to accept and exchange three RTV cases for each loaded RTV unit furnished Cooper. Cooper has RTV cases on hand, or in production, and can immediately effect this exchange. The cost of the cases supplied by Cooper will apply against our Subcontract with Cooper. It has been determined between Cooper and JPL that this is fair value exchange at a minimum cost to the Government, as units were furnished on production rather than a one-off basis. I discussed estimated costs with Mr. Harvey of Cooper, and the arrangement appears reasonable to me. I believe, based on our conversations, you are agreeable to this exchange. Accordingly, as discussed, it will be appreciated if the two RTV motors will be released at the earliest possible date to Cooper, as our Program is critically in need of the motors.

Very truly yours,

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