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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Date August 20, 1952

To Mr. T. M. Boyd cc R. J. Gorecki, W. L. White, J. G. Exel

Re SAFETY GLASS WINDOWS - Department 14

With reference to our conversation today regarding the above windows adjoining the fire escape stairs on Bldg. FF - Department 14: you pointed out that someone had removed the closure bolts and opened one of these windows - which is in "violation of State Safety regulations."

This is the first intimation I had received that it was against any rules to open these windows. If you want me to do so, I will issue instructions to this effect, but it is questionable as to whether or not they will be obeyed. The reason for saying this, is that it is unreasonable to expect the men working in that hot, dusty corner to put up with the discomfort which would result from the permanent closing of all these windows. Doubtless the windows would mysteriously open again, as the need arose.

If the State forces you to fasten these windows, then it would seem necessary for the company to provide positive ventilation for the area in question. Maybe an ideal solution would be to Air Condition the entire building (FF), which is almost unbearable during the summer months anyhow.

I will wait your advice before doing anything further.

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