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Ottawa, January 25, 1934.

Dear Mr. Gaby:

In a letter from Mr. N. L. LeSueur, K. C., of Sarnia, he urges very strongly the inclusion of steel joists for floor construction in the proposed new Hydro Building. I extract the following from his letter:

"I believe that the Provincial Hydro are about to proceed with the erection of a building in Toronto. As I understand it, this project has been more or less under consideration for the past two years. As you know, a considerable part of the Bridge Co. business is in the manufacture and sale of what is known as the "Massilon bar joist" which is especially suited for floor construction. I believe that in the first instance the design of the Hydro building allowed the use of a steel joist for such floor construction, but that later on this was changed so that the specifications at the present time do not allow the use of these bar joists. I am informed that the use of bar joists would give a lighter, stronger and better construction, according to all tests that have been made, than the construction as called for by the present specifications. If, therefore, these specifications could be changed to enable a tender to be submitted, using bar joists, it would certainly be of benefit to the local company. To bear out our statements about the type of construction and its suitability, we are quite prepared to have any necessary tests made at the convenience of your engineers."

Mr. LeSueur is a Director of the Sarnia Bridge Co., which specializes in these Massilon bar joists. I will be glad indeed if you would give the suggestion consideration.

I will be in Toronto Saturday and Monday.

Yours very truly,

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