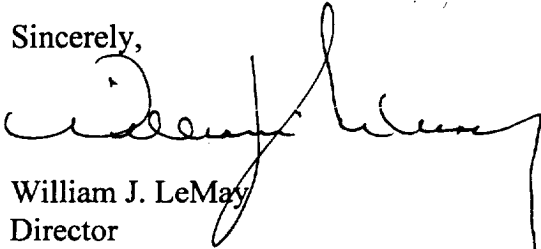


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Hartman, as applicant, will be responsible for giving the appropriate notice in this case.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact the Division.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. LeMay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

William J. LeMay  
Director

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