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February 11, 2009

Ms. Margaret Budd-Loa Stage & Picture Operators AFL-CIO, Local 767 11576 Strathern Str. North Hollywood, CA 91605-1630

> LM File Number: 020-644 Case Number:

Dear Ms. Budd-Loa:

This office has recently completed an audit of Stage & Picture Operators, Local 767 under the Compliance Audit Program (CAP) to determine your organization's compliance with the provisions of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 (LMRDA). As discussed during the exit interview with you on January 6, 2009, the following problems were disclosed during the CAP. The matters listed below are not an exhaustive list of all possible problem areas since the audit conducted was limited in scope.

The audit disclosed:

**Reporting Violation** 

The audit disclosed a violation of LMRDA Section 201(b), which requires labor organizations to file annual financial reports accurately disclosing their financial condition and operations. The Labor Organization Annual Report Form LM-3 filed by Local 767 for fiscal year ending December 31, 2007, was deficient in the following area:

Failure to File Bylaws

The audit disclosed a violation of LMRDA Section 201(a), which requires that a union submit a copy of its revised constitution and bylaws with its LM report when it makes changes to its constitution or bylaws. Local 767 amended its constitution and bylaws in 2004, but did not file a copy with its LM report for that year.

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Local 767 has now filed a copy of its constitution and bylaws.

## Other Violation

The CAP disclosed the following other violation:

Inadequate Bonding

The audit revealed a violation of LMRDA Section 502 (Bonding), which requires that union officers and employees be bonded for no less than 10 percent of the total funds handled by those individuals or their predecessors during the preceding fiscal year. Local 767's officers and employees are currently bonded for \$50,000, but they must be bonded for at least \$53,240.60.

Adequate bonding coverage was obtained and documentation provided during the audit. No further enforcement action will be taken.

I want to extend my personal appreciation to Stage & Picture Operators, Local 767 for the cooperation and courtesy extended during this compliance audit. I strongly recommend that you make sure this letter and the compliance assistance materials provided to you are passed on to future officers. If we can provide any additional assistance, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Alan Weiss District Director

cc: Mr. Mark Gerald, Vice President