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New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal Office of Rent Administration

Gertz Plaza 92-31 Union Hall Street Jamaica, NY 11433

May 12, 2009

Re: Docket No: WD 420096F - Order Determining Tenant's Challenge To Fuel Cost Report: 2008 Mailing Date - September 18, 2008

Dear Mr. Levinson:

This is in response to your letter, which has been forwarded to me for a reply.

You explain that a representative from Bldg. Management Company Inc. informed you that you were entitled to a credit/refund only for 2008 because DHCR told the representative "that there were no other credits/refunds necessary at this time." You state that this contradicts the above noted order. Because Bldg. Management Company Inc. requested that you obtain a letter from DHCR indicating that you "are entitled to receive a refund/credit in full from June 8, 1988 through 2007," you seek clarification on this issue. You also want to know why the rent reduction order under Docket No. CJ430017B "has not been rescinded since the order was initially issued."

Please be advised that the opinion letter process, which is designed to answer questions of general applicability, is not an appropriate forum for a response to your request. In this opinion letter process, we do not interpret, explain or comment on DHCR orders, which speak for themselves and are binding on the parties. However, we are providing general information regarding the roommate law in the form of an opinion letter

Web Site: www.nysdhcr.gov Email address: dhcrinfo@nysdhcr.gov If you have additional questions or need more information, yoù may visit any Borough Rent Office, call the RentInfo Line at (718) 739-6400 or visit the DHCR web site noted below.

We trust that we have responded as fully as possible to your inquiry under the circumstances.

Very truly yours,

Michael B. Rosenblatt Assistant Commissioner/ Rent Administration

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cc: Deputy Commissioner Torres (col-2524)