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Ms. Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary
NYS Public Service Commission
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Dear Ms. Brillling:

This letter is written in response to your Notice Soliciting Comments of January 28, 2005.

Metal Arts has completed three Research & Development projects with NYSERDA funding. This assistance has proven vital to our success in completing and commercializing our proprietary technology which is now in use for services we perform for a major New York manufacturer in their Environmental Technologies Division.

We strongly believe the SBC program should continue beyond the current expiration date for as long as practical with increased **funding**, if possible. On question # 7 we feel the R&D efforts could be further enhanced if additional funds could be made available to implement new processes and products for New York **manufacturers**. This could be done in a seamless and measurable way to strengthen a critically important segment of our economy.

On question # 13 we have seen natural gas prices escalate over the past four years to the point where this has become a burdensome cost issue. The inclusion of programs to demonstrate natural gas efficiencies could help alleviate this condition, which is forecast to persist. Any manufacturer, particularly those using gas fired steam for process use, would benefit. The initial duration should be five years with monitoring for results.

Sincerely,


Stanley J. Dahle, President