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Mr. Brad Lizen  
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Dear Brad,

In the metal working community, everyone will offer that they have great quality and the lowest prices. However, a savvy manufacturer knows that it's not the easily processed orders that lead to success – it's the difficult ones done successfully. To this end, I wish to thank Lizen for being so patient and helpful when those difficult orders show up at our door.

For over a decade, Skolnik and Lizen have worked together on projects from the nuclear industry to wine making, and in every case, our collaborative strategies have yielded successful results. As a die specialist, Lizen has created and maintained many of our stamping dies – thus keeping our fabrication schedule in tact. In a few instances, Lizen has acted in emergency situations where our own machine malfunctions left us without process components. Here, Lizen was quick to receive our dies, reschedule their own production and manage to produce, for us, and keep us on time.

The other effort that has been very positive has been the development of new products and the dies needed for their fabrication. Sometimes in conjunction with an affiliate, Lizen has always yielded creative solutions that have led to exacting results. The die “brain trust” is uniquely qualified to take on the most demanding details.

Lastly, it is a pleasure to work with all the Lizen's and the Lizen staff.

Wishing you much success with all the ventures you pursue,

Yours most respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Howard", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above a long, thin, slightly curved line that extends from the end of the signature towards the upper right corner of the page.

Howard Z. Skolnik, President/CEO  
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