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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Office of the Director Bureau of Competition

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Richard G. Parker, Esq. O'Melveny & Myers LLP 1625 Eye Street, NW Washington, DC 20006-4001

Re: Proposed Acquisition by Precision Castparts Corp. of Paul L. Briles, Inc.

(PB Fasteners), File No. 111-0179

Dear Mr. Parker:

The Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Competition has been conducting a nonpublic investigation to determine whether the acquisition of Paul L. Briles, Inc. d/b/a PB Fasteners by Precision Castparts Corp. may violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act or Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act.

Upon further review of this matter, it now appears that no additional action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

Sincerelly yours,

Richard A. Feinstein

Director