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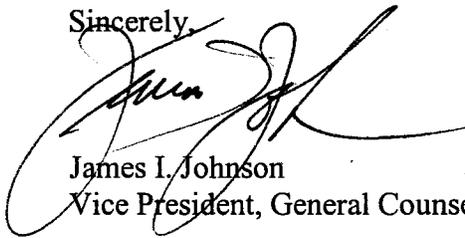
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary  
450 Fifth Street  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Katz:

Pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Order No. 4-460, enclosed are the following documents:

- Statement Under Oath of Chief Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings executed by Jack D. Michaels, Chief Executive Officer; and
- Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings executed by Jerald K. Dittmer, Chief Financial Officer.

Sincerely,



James I. Johnson  
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Enclosures

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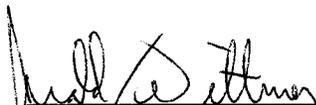
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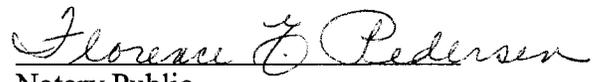
Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer  
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Jerald K. Dittmer, state and attest that:

- 1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of HON INDUSTRIES Inc. and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
  - No covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
  - No covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
  
- 2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
  
- 3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
  - The Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Commission for the period ended December 29, 2001 of HON INDUSTRIES Inc.;
  - All reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K, and all definitive proxy materials of HON INDUSTRIES Inc., filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
  - Any amendments to any of the foregoing.

  
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 Jerald K. Dittmer  
 Principal Financial Officer  
 November 1, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 1st day of November 2002.

  
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 Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4/4/05

