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Mr. Joe Lurix, Engineer Solid Waste Section Department of Environmental Protection Southeast District P.O.Box 15425 West Palm Beach, FL 33416

Re: Florida Tire Recycling, Inc. Port St. Lucie, Florida

Dear Sir,

I am a lieutenant with the Martin County Fire and Rescue Department, having been associated with that organization for the past twelve years. During that time I have been fully trained in all aspects of fire control and prevention.

I have inspected Florida Tire Recycling's facility in Port St. Lucie, Florida in accordance to determine compliance with the relevant sections of NFPA 231D published by the National Fire Protection Association. I found Florida Tire Recycling, Inc. in compliance with all relevant sections of NFPA 231D with one exception.

That exception takes the form of a pile of truck tires that are not properly stored in properly configured piles. However, Florida Tire Recycling, Inc. has recently installed equipment to facilitate the processing of truck tires and has begun to remove and process these tires at a rate of up to 10,000 units per month. Thus remediation of this situation is already underway.

To close, please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely

Lt. Lowell J. Nance

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CC: Florida Tire Recycling, Inc.