ST. LUCIE COUNTY - FORT PIERCE

Fire District

2400 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA

March 24, 1994

Mr. Skip Robinson Florida Tire Recycling, Inc. 9675 Range Line Road Port St. Lucie, FL 34987 MAR 2 8 1994

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Dear Mr. Robinson:

This office is in receipt of the Stipulation And Consent For Injunction, Case #93-895CA. The plaintiff is the State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), and the defendant is Florida Tire Recycling, Inc.

After a site review of Florida Tire Recycling, several serious concerns were readily apparent.

The current accessibility to all areas that could warrant extinguishment of fire is currently non-existent. As in any firefighting operation, water supply is crucial. The current availability is not adequate.

It is also alleged that the current amount of whole and processed tires is beyond the permitted limitations as set forth in the Florida Administrative Code, Rule 17-711.

The Stipulation And Consent has been examined and it is the opinion of the St. Lucie County-Ft. Pierce Fire District that if all the items listed in the Stipulation are carried out as mentioned in the document (93-895CA), this would greatly reduce the risk presently at this facility.

The Emergency Fire Plan has been reviewed and some items have been found that warrant consideration.

The proposed plan indicates notifying Fire Station #3 in case of an emergency. The correct procedure would be to immediately notify "9-1-1". Should you have additional information to forward during an emergency, the correct telephone number would be 407-467-2300 (Fire Department Administrative number).

The Emergency Response Plan indicates that in the event of fire the rail car is to be moved out of harm's way. I would recommend that Florida East Coast Railway

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be consulted on this procedure for their input on this plan. The emergency telephone number of Florida East Coast Railway should also be listed on the Response Plan.

The Fire District appreciates your response to making this a safer operation. If you have any quustions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

ST. LUCIE COUNTY-FT. PIERCE

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