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SUBJ:

EPA Enforcement Lead at Various Florida Facilities

Dear Mr. Kastury:

In a letter dated April 29, 2002, EPA requested the enforcement lead at Howco Environmental (FL0 001 000 611), if FDEP was not able to execute an enforcement action by May 17, 2002. On June 19, 2002, EPA and FDEP participated in a conference call to discuss the enforcement status at this facility. As of that date, no formal enforcement response had been issued at the facility.

As discussed during the conference call, EPA has received the file for Howco Environmental, and has assumed the enforcement lead for the facility. FDEP has entered the appropriate referral code into the database to formally refer this case to EPA as of June 19, 2002.

EPA would like to thank FDEP for taking the time to review and discuss the status of this Florida facility. A copy of this letter has been faxed to you. If you have any questions, please call Jeff Pallas, of my staff, at (404) 562-8569.

Sincerely yours,

Jewell Grubbs, Chief

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