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Southwest Regional Office

Via First Class and Certified Mail No. 7015 1520 0001 3088 8087

Embarq Karen Lively, Director And William A. Owens, Chairman 100 Century link Drive Monroe, Louisiana 71203

RE:

Former Tub Mill Farms, Inc.

Tax Parcel ID No. S14-012-009-00

Elk Lick Township, Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Lively & Mr. Owens:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is seeking information concerning a release and/or threat of release of hazardous substances into the environment at or from the former Tub Mill Farms, Inc. facility located on a parcel of ground in Elk Lick Township, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, Tax Parcel ID No. S14-012-009-00 ("Site"). The substances at the site include but are not limited to chemically treated utility poles delivered by or through Mr. Terry Brenneman, L&K Industries, Inc. (d/b/a L&K), Bridgewell Resources LLC, Nor Pac Enterprises, Inc., North Pacific Group, Inc., or Tub Mill Farms, Inc. (d/b/a Tub Mill Farms) (collectively, the "Transferees") to the Site from 2002 to the present.

The Department believes that you may have information relevant to the release of hazardous substances from the Site into the environment. Therefore, pursuant to Section 503 of the Pennsylvania Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act (HSCA), the Act 108 of October 18, 1988, 35 P.S. Section 6020.503, the Department requests that you furnish all the information and documents in your possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of the officers, employees, agents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and predecessors of or to Embarq which concern, refer or relate to hazardous substances, as that term is defined by Section 103 of HSCA, 35 P.S. § 6020.103, which were generated, treated, stored, disposed of, transported to, or released from the Site into the environment.

Specifically, your response to this request should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. Narrative information and/or documentation regarding the types and quantities of hazardous substances, or materials containing hazardous substances, which were disposed of, stored, treated, ground, cut, mulched, altered, or released into the soil, groundwater or surface water at or near the Site or to the Transferees. Please use specific chemical names or product names for products used in Embarq utility poles transferred to Transferees, rather than generic terms, such as "preservatives" or "wood wastes." Please also describe the manner and the location in which any of the above materials were disposed of, stored, treated, ground, cut, altered, mulched, or released into the soil, groundwater or surface water at or near the Site or transferred to the Transferees.
- 2. Narrative information and/or documentation regarding the approximate dates such hazardous substances or materials containing hazardous substances, were disposed of, stored, treated, ground, cut, altered, mulched, or released at or near the Site or transferred to the Transferees.
- 3. Narrative information and/or documentation concerning how such hazardous substances or materials containing hazardous substances were treated, ground, cut, altered, mulched, stored, disposed of, or released at or near the Site or transferred to the Transferees.
- 4. Narrative information and/or documentation regarding the identity and address of any other persons or companies which generated, treated, ground, cut, altered, mulched, stored, disposed of, or released hazardous substances or materials containing hazardous substances at or near the Site or transferred to the Transferees.

As used herein, the term "documents" includes, but is not limited to, writings (handwritten, typed or otherwise produced or reproduced), any invoices, checks, receipts, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, correspondence, e-mails, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, logs, books of original entry, minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or diary entries, agendas, bulletins, notices, announcements, charts, maps, photographs, drawings, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigations, schedules, price lists, telegrams, teletypes, phone records, voice mail messages, magnetic voice or video records, tapes, summaries, magnetic tapes, punch cards, recordings, disks, CDs, DVDs, computer printouts, electronic information (including electronically stored files), or data compilations, electronic or otherwise, from which information can be obtained or translated.

The above-requested information should be sent directly to me, at the above address, within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this letter.

Please be advised that the Department is not seeking through this letter documentation you have already provided the Department.

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This letter, issued under the Department's authority to obtain information, is neither a final action nor an order, and it gives you no right of appeal. If you do not provide the requested information, however, the Department has the authority to issue an order against you or to take other appropriate legal action. Any destruction or alteration of the documents requested in this letter may subject you to criminal penalties under Section 1105(c) of HSCA, 35 P.S. § 6021.1105(c).

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact me at 412-442-4343 or at hswarm@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

H. Scott Swarm

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