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UF/IFAS Sumter County Extension Service Susan Kelly, County Extension Director P.O. Box 218 Bushnell, Florida 33513

Re: Donation of Earth Tub Composting Vessel

Dear Ms. Kelly:

First, on behalf of Sumter County and the Florida Organics Recycling Center for Excellence (FORCE) program, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your participation of the FORCE sponsored project Sumter County Extension Service Composting Unit Field Trial Demonstration Project.

This demonstration project is a great way to create awareness and educate adults and children of all ages about organics recycling, compost, its uses and sustainability. We think it is important to continue with this organics outreach partnership with the Sumter County Extension Service.

As this project is complete and pursuant to Florida Statutes 125.38, Sumter County and the FORCE project team has decided the best place for this equipment is with the County's Extension Service to be utilized by the Master Gardeners Club for the ongoing purpose of demonstrating compost techniques to any and all interested public or private sector parties.

The commercial-duty Earth Tub composting vessel is described as a fully enclosed composting vessel featuring power mixing, compost aeration and biofiltration of all process air.

Property #: CC0028INNG

Manufacturer: Green Mountain Technologies

In the event Sumter Extension Services no longer desires for any reason, to utilize the equipment the Extension Service will not sell, trade, lease, lend, bail, encumber or otherwise dispose of the equipment. At that time, the equipment will defer back to the Sumter County Solid Waste Facility.

Please respond to this letter with in 10 days to formalize your acceptance of the Earth Tub Composting Vessel.

Again, I thank you for your interest and efforts in organics recycling.

Sincerely,

Sandra Howell

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