



January 14, 2014

Mr. Delmar Fairchild  
American Excelsior Company  
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Arlington, TX 76011

Re: PEQ # 2013-081Q  
Section 867.2(c) - WOOD CHIPS  
Product Name - CURLEX SEDIMENT LOGS

Dear Mr. Fairchild,

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is revising its procedures with regard to identified material types that are determined to be low risk with respect to constructed project performance -- your CURLEX SEDIMENT LOGS product evaluation, PEQ #2013-081Q, falls within these revised "Project-Specific, Locally Approved Material" procedures, which are detailed below.

PennDOT's Publication 408, Section 106.02 (Material) has been revised to include a new material category called, "Project-Specific, Locally Approved Material". Compost Filter Sock materials that comply with Publication 408, Section 867 will fall under this new "Project-Specific, Locally Approved Material" category. The revised Section 106.02 has been issued as Special Provision C-a00003-B and is effective January 31, 2014. On October 3, 2014, this standard special provision will be incorporated in in Change #7 of Publication 408, Specifications

Additionally, Standard Special Provision G-a07041-B revised Section 867 Compost Filter Sock specification and identifies this material as a Project-Specific, Locally Approved Material by indicating to, "*Submit to the Representative, for District acceptance, a written statement by the supplier certifying that the compost meets these requirements.*" On October 4, 2013, this standard special provision was incorporated in Change #5 of Publication 408 (enclosed).

After the Section 106.02 Standard Special Provision goes into effect on January 31, 2014, Bulletin 15 (Approved Construction Materials) will be updated accordingly. The intent is not to list any individual material or material sources in Section 867 (Compost Filter Sock) of Bulletin 15; therefore, you will not see American Excelsior Company or your CURLEX SEDIMENT LOGS product listed in Bulletin 15. Rather, Bulletin 15 will include a Section 867 that will reference the revised Publication 408, Section 106.02 and indicate that materials specified for use in Section 867 are defined as Project Specific, Locally Approved Material; and that contractors proposing to use materials that meet the specification requirements must list them on Form CS-200 (Source of Supply-Materials) and submit them for local approval by the Representative (i.e. at the District or project level).

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All products/services used by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation are subject to periodic quality assurance inspections by department staff, including inspection of the manufacturing facility itself to confirm the products are meeting the specification criteria.

Your CURLEX SEDIMENT LOGS product evaluation PEQ # 2013-081Q is now officially closed. CURLEX SEDIMENT LOGS and all other products that comply with Publication 408, Section 867 may be used on Department projects using the Project-Specific, Locally Approved Material process. We thank you for your patience throughout this process.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Rodney Klopp, P.E., New Products and Innovations Section at (717) 787-7287 or via email [rklopp@pa.gov](mailto:rklopp@pa.gov), and refer to PEQ # 2013-081Q.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James P. Tenaglia". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

James P. Tenaglia, P.E., Section Chief  
New Products & Innovations Section  
Innovation & Support Services Division  
Bureau of Project Delivery

Enclosures  
ECMS Standard Special Provision C-a00003-B, Section 106.02  
Publication 408, Change #5 - Section 867 (effective 10/4/2013)