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**Re: *Monthly Progress Report - P & L Bark, Inc./Mickey Pyle
Trucking, Inc./U.S. EPA
Docket No. RCRA-04-2002-4254***

Dear Ms. Lesichar, Mr. Wilson and Ms. Pafford:

Pursuant to paragraph 63 of the Administrative Order in the above-referenced matter, we are writing to provide you with P & L Bark's Monthly Progress Report. This is the fifteenth Monthly Progress Report required by the Administrative Order.

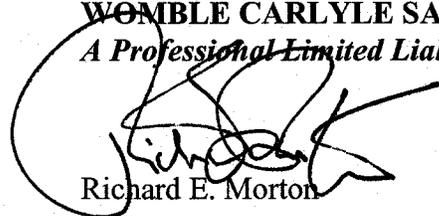
On August 15, 2003, in separate letters, I sent you (1) P & L Bark's tenth Monthly Progress Report, detailing the efforts of P & L Bark and EPA to send notice letters to customers who received P & L Bark play sand from April 1, 1998 through July 31, 1998; and (2) data compiling information on delivery of play sand product for the period beginning July 16, 1998 through July 31, 1998. I supplemented that information on August 29, 2003, forwarding to your attention the written responses from customers that received P & L Bark play sand from April 1, 1998 through July 31, 1998. On December 29, 2003, I sent you P & L Bark's fourteenth Monthly Progress Report, indicating that there had been no new developments since the tenth Monthly Progress Report. Since December 29, 2003, there have been no material changes or developments.

P & L Bark has not retained any consulting engineers or remediation contractors, but will notify EPA pursuant to the Administrative Order if it does retain any consulting engineers or remediation contractors in the future.

Thank you for your attention to this Monthly Progress Report. Please contact me if you require additional information before P & L Bark's next Monthly Progress Report is due.

Very truly yours,

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