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NE Dept of Environment and Energy  
By: \_\_\_Records Mgmt\_\_\_

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I am writing regarding the Letter of Noncompliance dated 8/29/2023.

As the NDEE is aware, Langer Industrial took over the blighted Rose facility at Alvo with a considerable backlog of processed and unprocessed tires. The processing and shredding equipment was in serious disrepair, and the facility was no longer viable. That location would have almost certainly been dumped back on the NDEE for cleanup without our intervention. Without any obligation on our part, we devoted an unwise amount of time and money to that clean up for Larry's benefit but also for the benefit of the State of Nebraska. Since that date, we have been harassed by the insanity of the Alvo village government, harassed beyond any reasonable measure by an unhinged local citizen, and have had to invest another significant amount of time and money into refurbishing the equipment needed to continue processing tires. I say all of this to remind you that we are only involved with this mess out of our own sense of duty to Larry, the Village of Alvo, and to the State of Nebraska. Financial gain has never been a part of the equation, neither then nor now.

The equipment that we acquired from Rose to shred tires required complete refurbishment. Not some of it, but all of it. That process is now mostly completed. The tires on the ground currently, at both locations, are backlogged from the shredder being inoperable during those repairs. Since the completion of the main part of the shredder rebuild, we have finished shredding in Alvo. The quantity of incoming tires are being held at a lower volume until the backlog has been cleared. Alvo has about 22 loads, now shredded, to be moved from the site. The process of hauling those tires off is now in motion,



and we will expect to haul one or more loads of shred per day until the inventory is gone. At that time, barring any other disaster, that facility will be in compliance going forward. Now that the shredder is running as designed, we are able to move the shredder as intended, keeping the tires shredded in both locations. The landfill that accepts the shreds from Scottsbluff does place limits on the number of loads they will accept, so the process of removing the excess shreds is taking longer than expected. Nevertheless, it is underway. We are moving some shreds to an alternate landfill to help speed up the process, and expect to be in compliance in both locations before the end of the year.

Sincerely,



Peter Langer

Langer Industrial Service LLC