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Mr. Art Daube Area Representative Tuf-tite, Inc. 30 Sweetcake Mt. Road New Fairfield, CT 06812

RE: Polyethylene Distribution Boxes

Dear Mr. Daube:

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you last week about Tuf-tite's polyethylene distribution boxes. There has been recent inquiry to this department regarding the conformance of Tuf-tite's distribution boxes to New York State standards.

Enclosed is a copy of 10NYCRR Appendix 75-A, our standards for individual household wastewater treatment systems. Section 75.A.7(a)(1), on page 13, specifies the requirements for distribution boxes.

As you may know, we have a copy of Tuf-tite's current products catalog. We also have samples of Tuf-tite's products for instructional purposes. These include Tuf-tite distribution boxes; Models 4HD2, 6HD2 and 9HD2.

Tuf-tite Models 4HD2, 9HD2 and 9HD3 are acceptable according to Appendix 75-A. However, the use of speed levelers in Models 9HD2 and 4HD2 will effectively reduce the inlet to outlet invert elevation difference to approximately 1 3/4 inches in these boxes. This means the 9HD2 and 4HD2 models will not conform to state standards when installed with speed levelers. Use of speed levelers is highly recommended. It would benefit Tuf-tite to slightly lower the outlet height in these boxes in order to conform to the state standard of 2 inches when speed levelers are used.

I hope you find this information helpful. Please notify this office if you plan to alter your Model 9HD2 and 4HD2 distribution boxes to meet New York State standards with speed levelers.

Sincerely,

Kevin C. Scheuer, P.E. Junior Sanitary Engineer

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