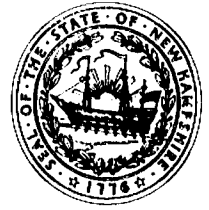


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October 21, 1999

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Ted Meyers
Tuf-Tite Corporation
1125 Old Rand Road
Wauconda, IL 60084

Re: Tuf-Tite® Effluent Filter

Dear Mr. Meyers:

The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) has reviewed the material you sent us dated October 12, 1999 regarding the referenced product. This unit, the Tuf-Tite® Model EF-4 Effluent Filter, is a device which is placed at the outlet of a septic tank to prevent suspended solids from leaving the tank. You have requested information about DES's policy regarding such devices.

Please understand that DES regulation does not extend to septic tank effluent filters. DES neither forbids nor requires them. Also, DES does not object to their use. This policy applies to all makes and models of septic tank effluent filters.

However, you should be aware of one point on this subject. When a designer specifies a certain product such as a specific effluent filter for a system, any product change made during installation needs to be approved by the designer. For instance, if a designer specified another brand of filter for a certain system, and the installer or owner wanted to substitute a Tuf-Tite® filter, written concurrence from the designer is required. A simple letter to DES will suffice to document this concurrence.

I hope this letter meets your needs. Please call me at the Water Division at 603-271-2941, or E-mail at b_minicucci@des.state.nh.us, if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Minicucci II, PE
Innovative Technology Coordinator

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