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RE: C&H Hog Farm Plasma Arc Pyrolysis Unit

Dear Mr. Allen, Ms. Jones, Mr. Nye, and Mr. Watkins,

Thank you for your correspondence dated December 8, 2015 regarding the plasma arc/pyrolysis unit (the unit) currently located at the C&H facility. I appreciate your continued interest in this project. From the time the unit was first tested in Florida, ADEQ staff has been in contact with representatives from Plasma Energy Group, Cargill, and the C&H facility regarding the unit and its progress. After the unit was shipped to the Sandy River location, ADEQ Compliance staff members were on-site in order to observe the testing of the unit.

At this point in time, the unit is not yet operational at the C&H location, as it is continuing to undergo maintenance assessments. Once the unit is ready to commence operations at the C&H location, ADEQ Compliance staff members will again be present in order to monitor and observe the unit. Subsequently, ADEQ staff will remain available to observe the unit throughout the refined testing process as well as when the unit becomes operational.

As the progress on this project continues to develop, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky W. Keogh". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Becky W. Keogh
Director, ADEQ

cc: Mr. Mark Hansen, EPA Region 6