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Charlotte Skidmore
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Dear Ms. Skidmore:

Stewardship Plan Approval

Thank you for submitting the BC Major Appliance Stewardship Plan on December 22, 2011, and the subsequent revised and finalized document on June 29, 2012, in fulfillment of the requirement under section 4 of the Recycling Regulation.

I have completed my review of the submission and hereby approve the Major Appliance Stewardship Plan. Please be advised that this approval applies only to materials or content contained in the plan that pertains to the requirements of section 5 of the Recycling Regulation.

In accordance with the Stewardship Plan, I understand that you will be taking immediate steps to form the Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable and begin implementation of the plan. The Ministry would appreciate receiving regular updates on your progress in this regard so that we are apprised of your implementation schedule.

Third Party Independent Audit of Non-financial Information in Annual Reports

Please note that the Ministry of Environment, as part of its Industry Product Stewardship compliance strategy, now requires third party testing to confirm prescribed non-financial information reported in industry stewardship agency annual reports. The enclosed document entitled "Guiding Principles - Product Stewardship Agency Non-Financial Information Testing," dated November 15, 2010, contains information and direction for stewardship agencies on the required procedures. For convenience, electronic templates of the test procedures and related documents are available on the Ministry's website at: <http://www.elp.gov.bc.ca/epd/recycling/guide/index.htm>. Please be advised that these Guiding Principles are currently being refined and you will be advised when an updated document is available. Please contact Greg Tyson at (250) 387-9774 if you have questions on this requirement or associated documents.

I look forward to working with you to ensure your program is successfully implemented. If you have any questions about this approval or the implementation of your plan, please contact David Lawes at (250) 387-3588 or David.Lawes@gov.bc.ca.

Sincerely,



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