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October 7, 2009

Michael P. Halpin, P.E.
Administrator, Siting Office
Department of Environmental Protection
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399

NOTIFICATION
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DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Dear Mr. Halpin:

Enclosed is a list of equipment submitted by SVC Manufacturing, Inc. for their Gatorade plant in Kissimmee. They are requesting that this office value for property tax purposes the listed property as pollution control equipment.

Please make a determination as to the validity of this request in accordance with Florida Statutes. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at (407) 742-5030. Your help will be appreciated.

Sincerely,



John Griffin, PPS, CFE
Director of Tangible Personal Property

Enclosure

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September 9, 2009

Mr. Brian Tomkins
SVC Manufacturing, Inc
1650 South Poinciana Boulevard
Kissimmee, FL 24758

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Re: Waste Treatment Assets
QTG Gatorade Plant
Kissimmee, FL

OSCEOLA COUNTY
PROPERTY APPRAISER

Dear Mr. Tomkins,

Per your request, AWARE Environmental, Inc. (AEI) has reviewed the Florida Administrative Code Rule 62-8 and the information received from SVC Manufacturing, Inc on the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) at the QTG Gatorade plant in Kissimmee, FL for identification of the WWTP components that meet the definition of pollution control facilities and are therefore eligible for reduced ad valorem taxes. AEI's findings are presented below.

All process wastewater from the QTG Kissimmee plant is currently treated in the QTG WWTP and discharged as either 1) reclaimed water to the Toho Water Authority's Reclaimed Water System or 2) pretreated process wastewater to Toho's Poinciana sewer system. Several upgrades have been made to the WWTP that allows the QTG Kissimmee WWTP to discharge about 85% of the total generated wastewater to the Reclaimed Water System. The 1st stage treatment consists of an upflow anaerobic sludge blanket (UASB) system which was added in 2005. The 2nd stage treatment is an aerobic membrane bioreactor (MBR) system which was completed in 1998. Treated effluent from the 2nd stage aerobic MBR is currently combined in a reclaim tank with clean process wastewaters from the QTG plant and then discharged to the Toho Reclaimed Water System.

The 1st stage UASB system reduces wastewater contaminants to obtain a water quality sufficient for introduction into the Toho sanitary sewer system for further treatment and disposal. Under Wastewater Permit No. FLA010957-012 issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the 2nd stage MBR system polishes the UASB effluent to a quality sufficient to

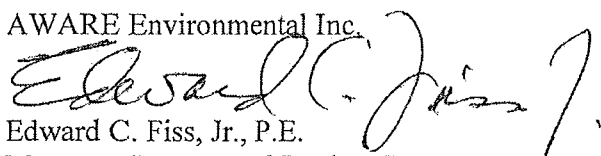
allow for discharge of the wastewater into the Toho Reclaimed Water System. The QTG Gatorade facility is permitted to pump the treated wastewater into the reclaimed water transmission line which extends from the South Bermuda wastewater treatment facility, operated by the Toho Water Authority, to its Imperial rapid infiltration basin site. This practice minimizes the environmental impact of the QTG plant and also minimizes the wastewater loading to the TWA sanitary sewer system.

QTG Kissimmee assets associated with the WWTP upgrades have been categorized by the treatment process with which they are involved. Table 1 includes asset descriptions and values associated with the 1st stage UASB system, 2nd stage MBR system, and the equipment necessary for pumping into the water reclamation system, respectively.

Based upon our review of the information, it is AEI's finding that all items listed in Table 1 are "pollution control facilities" under the definition "devices, fixtures, or machinery which are used to remove, decrease, stop or mitigate, by physical or chemical action, pollutants or contaminants which are part or entirely of liquid, solid or gases released to the ambient air and water." All assets listed were therefore determined to be pollution control facilities by AEI. The original total value of QTG's pollution control equipment was determined to be \$2,843,102. The total value of the pollution control assets with depreciation was estimated at \$1,304,724 as of 12/1/2008. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or desire additional information.

Sincerely,

AWARE Environmental Inc.



Edward C. Fiss, Jr., P.E.

Manager, Process and Design Group

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