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Sincerely,

David V. Diehl

Date: 12/22/09

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Mary Diehl
575 E Maffie Rd
Breezewood PA 15533-2505

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B. Palm
A. Palm
 Date: 1/31/09
 P. O. Box 622
 DERRYBORO PA
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Sincerely,

Robert A. Evans

Date: 11-24-09

Mr Robert Evans
5099 Spring Rd
Hellam PA 17406-8709

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Rick Pott E-mail

Date: 1-4-10

R.Pott@Cmi.com

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RD 2 Box 53*

Rick Hunting and Fishing@yahoo.com

Laysville, PA 18827

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Jean Colyer

Date: 11-25-09

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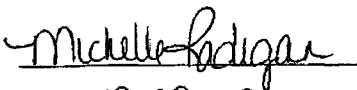
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Date: 12-28-09

Michelle Radigan
PO Box 683
Shinglehouse PA 16748-0683

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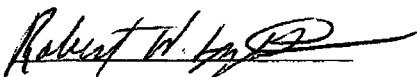
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Date: 12-31-09

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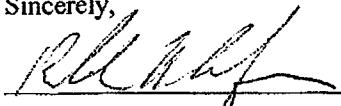
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