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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
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Dear Mr. McGeen:

In response to your September 7, 2017 letter regarding a violation, we agree that we had wood chips smoldering with no open flames.

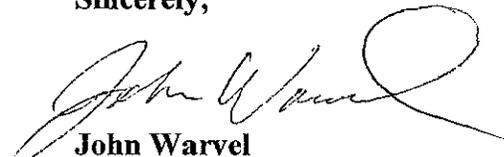
To be clear, we did not set fire to the wood chips. We noticed they were smoldering and we attempted to smother them out. In the future, we will take periodic temperatures of the compost pile and turn them when needed to keep them from smoldering.

We are suspicious that someone may have started the wood chips on fire and we will be checking our surveillance equipment to see if there is any evidence of this.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. We appreciated the professional and courteous manner in which it was handled.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



**John Warvel**  
President

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