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City of Riviera Beach
Community Development Department
Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Attention: Jeff Gagnon, Assistant Director of Community Development

Regarding: Status of PV Solar Covered Parking at Tropical Shipping Headquarters

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As you can see from the progress on site at our new headquarters facility on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Avenue P, our construction is progressing very well. At this time we are requesting that the PV Solar covered parking be allowed to be constructed as a future phase, and that we are allowed to complete project construction and occupy the facility this summer without the PV solar canopies being in place at this time.

It is our sincere intent and belief that we will construct the PV Solar covered parking within the next few years, perhaps as soon as next year. In fact, we have prepared the underground infrastructure and work necessary to accommodate the solar project. Capital restraints imposed by our parent Company this year dictated that we postpone this landmark portion of our project.

The extension of the federal tax credit for solar projects by another 5 years means that this investment is still an excellent financial endeavor as well as a benefit to our employees.

We appreciate the City of Riviera Beach working with us on this worthwhile project, and the extension of your excellent cooperation to date.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this request.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rob M Chapman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert Mark Chapman
Vice President, Business Operations
Tropical Shipping and Construction Company, Limited