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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

EXTERNAL CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE OFFICE
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

April 12, 2017

Return Receipt Requested
Certified Mail #: (b) (6) Privacy [redacted]

In Reply Refer to:
EPA File Nos: 15X-17-R7

(b) (6) Privacy, (b) (7)(C) Enforcement Privacy [redacted]
Merriam, KS 66203

Re: Acknowledgement of Receipt of Electronic Correspondence

Dear (b) (6) Privacy, (b) (7)(C) Enforcement Pri [redacted]

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), External Civil Rights Compliance Office (ECRCO), received your electronic correspondence on April 11, 2017, regarding the Ace House Painting Company's warehouse storage practices. Based on our initial review, the issues you have raised do not appear to fall within ECRCO's legal authority. However, we believe that the City of Merriam's Community Development Department's Code Enforcement Officer at (913) 322-5520 may be able to assist you.

For your information, ECRCO is responsible for enforcing several civil rights laws which, together, prohibit discrimination on the basis of: race, color, or national origin (including on the basis of limited-English proficiency); sex; disability; and age, by applicants for and recipients of federal financial assistance from EPA.

If you believe you have been discriminated against by an EPA recipient in violation of the civil rights laws identified above, please contact us at:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of General Counsel
External Civil Rights Compliance Office
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Mail Code: 2310A
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 564-3316 (voice)

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Please see the attached brochure for additional information. If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (202) 564-7299 or by email at temple.kurt@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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