CERCLA 104(e) INFORMATION REQUEST
URGENT LEGAL MATTER: PROMPT REPLY REQUESTED
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Jim Short
Southfork Investments LLC
P.O. Box 988
Salem, Arkansas 72576

Re: B.F. Goodrich Tire Co. Superfund Site (SSID A6MK), Miami, Ottawa County, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Short:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeks cooperation from Southfork Investments in providing information and documents relating to the B.F. Goodrich Tire Co. Superfund Site (Site) in Miami, Ottawa County, Oklahoma. Obtained information will aid the EPA in its investigation of the release or threat of release of certain hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants at this Site. Your response will also help the EPA develop a better understanding of activities that occurred at the Site.

This information request is not a determination that you are responsible or potentially responsible for contamination that occurred at the Site. The EPA is sending this letter as part of its investigation of the Site and does not expect you to pay for or perform any site-related activities at this time. If the EPA determines that you are responsible or potentially responsible for response activities at the Site, you will receive a separate letter clearly stating such a determination as well as the EPA's basis for such determination.

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 104(e), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e), gives the EPA the authority to require the respondent to respond to this information request (see Enclosure 1). We encourage you to give this matter your full attention, and we respectfully request you to respond to this request for information within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. You may designate another official with the requisite authority to respond on behalf of yourself. However, failure to respond to this information request may result in the EPA seeking penalties of up to $57,317 per day of violation. In addition, furnishing false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations is subject to criminal penalty under 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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Please provide a written response to Ms. Anna Copeland, Enforcement Officer, at the address included in the Information Request. You may refer to Enclosure 2 for important instructions and definitions and Enclosure 3 for specific questions that require your response to this Information Request.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the information requested, please contact Ms. Copeland at (214) 665-8144 or copeland.anntasia@epa.gov. For legal questions concerning this letter, please have your legal counsel contact Ms. Gloria Moran, Regional Counsel, at (214) 665-3193 or moran.gloria-small@epa.gov. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Ben Banipal, P.E., Chief
Technical and Enforcement Branch
Superfund Division

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