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To: Gavin Gray

Mr. Gray this is a follow up letter on the reported spill and damage to our number 2 Clarifier that I reported to you on Thursday October the 24th 2019. On Wednesday October the 23rd 2019, we were putting the number 2 clarifier back on line after we had pulled it down to replace the top seal in the bottom of the Clarifier. As we were watching the Clarifier fill back up the catwalk raised up about 2 foot on us and broke a pipe under the floor of the clarifier. At that time we rushed to turn off the valve to the pipe and stopped the flow to the clarifier. I'm estimating about 5,000 gallons leaked out before we could get it stopped. There seems to be no damage to the surrounding wildlife. On the 23rd of October 2019 we pumped the clarifier down and called Andy Franks our engineer in to access the cause and damage. Mr. Franks said that the cause of the floor being pushed up was caused by ground water on the bottom of the floor and it will need to be replaced. Mr. Franks gave a time frame of 5 to 6 months before the clarifier could be fixed and back online. Currently we are using one clarifier and don't expect any troubles to the day to day operations of the plant at this time. If you have any question please email me at keithballard101@yahoo.com or you can reach me at phone number (870)836-4329.

Sincerely

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