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Subject: Acceptance Letter for Tier 1 of Green Tier

Dear Mr. Kuehn:

Congratulations! The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is pleased to approve your application and accept you into Green Tier. This letter of acceptance covers all facilities and activities outlined by your application. This letter of acceptance is issued in accordance with The Environmental Results Program Act, as authorized by Wisconsin Statute section 299.83, effective May 1, 2004, when 2003 Wisconsin Act 276, commonly referred to as the "Green Tier Law", was signed into law.

This letter of acceptance recognizes Plastic Ingenuity Inc.'s previous achievements in environmental management and your future projects and goals as described in your application (see attached). Your participation in the Green Tier program reflects your commitment to improving Wisconsin's environment through superior environmental performance. This letter serves as an acceptance of the commitments your facilities have agreed to in your application. Should circumstances arise that may prevent the fulfillment of these commitments, please notify us.

By entering the Green Tier Program, you have agreed to develop and pursue goals to improve your environmental performance beyond compliance through the implementation of an Environmental Management System (EMS). Furthermore, you have committed to certifying your EMS to the ISO 14001 standard by January 3, 2008. If you choose not to certify your EMS to ISO 14001, please document that it is functionally equivalent by following the guidance (see attached). You have also committed to perform an annual audit of your EMS, with every third audit performed by an outside environmental auditor approved by DNR.

As a part of your commitments, you have agreed to annually submit to DNR a progress report regarding your participation in the program. This report is expected to provide an update of your current objectives and targets, as well as discuss any measured progress made to those objectives stated in your EMS or on your application. You should also provide the results of your annual EMS audit, describing any non-conformances discovered by it and identifying actions taken or proposed to correct them. Your first annual report would be due January 31, 2009.

We also encourage you to consider including some of the attached list of generic environmental indicators in your annual report. Reporting this additional data is completely voluntary, but it can help to quantify your successes beyond those outlined in your EMS. This information will also paint a broad picture of the environmental performance of all Green Tier participants.

In recognition of Plastic Ingenuity Inc.'s diligent environmental stewardship as a Green Tier participant, and once you have established an EMS, DNR commits to inspect your facilities at the lowest frequency permitted by law, unless DNR has reason to believe the facility is out of compliance. In addition, you are entitled to Deferred Civil Enforcement as described in Wisconsin Statute section 299.83(6m)(d). In brief, if you discover either a non-conformance with your EMS, provide us notice of your discovery along with a corrective action plan that conforms to the requirements in the statute. DNR will not seek to impose penalties for the non-conformance or violation provided Plastic Ingenuity successfully implements the corrective action plan in a timely manner. Please note that nothing in this acceptance letter replaces any obligation that you have to report and correct any violations of law or regulation.

This letter authorizes your company to use the Green Tier logo on written materials related to your participating facilities. Please see the attached guidance sheet for further information regarding the use of the logo. Furthermore, you will receive a certificate that recognizes Plastic Ingenuity Inc.'s participation in Green Tier. The DNR has committed to annually celebrate your participation in the program through a press release, and will publicize Plastic Ingenuity Inc. as a participant in Green Tier on the DNR website.

Finally, Jean Unmuth has been assigned as your single point of contact. She can be reached at (608)935-1926 or at jean.unmuth@wisconsin.gov. Please contact Jean with any questions concerning communications with DNR, approvals you may be required to obtain, or for any technical assistance you need.

I want to welcome you as a Tier 1 company under the Environmental Results Program and encourage you to work toward Tier 2 status in the future.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew Frank

Matthew Frank,
Secretary

Cc: Mark McDermid – CO/7
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Attachments: Tier 1 Application
EMS Functional Equivalency Guidance
Generic Suite of Environmental Indicators
Green Tier Logo Guidelines