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Mr. Dennis M. Turner
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Dear Mr. Turner:

Technical Standards Committee "A" (Telecommunications) has accepted Petroflex's Corrugated High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) conduit for inclusion in the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) List of Materials. This action will be reflected on page 2.2.1 under Item "hc" as follows:

During the period between now and the time a revised listing is issued, it will be entirely appropriate for you to notify prospective purchasers of this action.

This acceptance does not relieve you, the manufacturer, of any responsibility for the satisfactory performance of the item and its conformity to guarantees, specifications or other provisions of contracts covering its sale. This acceptance is further granted with the understanding that no RUS accepted item shall be delivered to RUS borrowers with any changes in design or workmanship affecting the quality, strength, or electrical characteristics of the item without requesting, in writing, and receiving, Technical Standards Committee "A" (Telecommunications) acceptance of the changes.

Please note that this Committee action does not constitute RUS "approval" of your product. The Committee determined that your product is "acceptable" for use on telecommunications systems of RUS borrowers and for inclusion (listing) of your product in the List of materials with similarly acceptable products of other manufacturers. We therefore ask that if you refer to RUS in catalogs, informational fliers, news reports, or paid advertisements, please refer to "RUS acceptance," "RUS listing," or "RUS listed" and not refer to "RUS approval."

Sincerely,
NORBERTO ESTEVES
Chairman, Technical Standards Committee "A" (Telecommunications)
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