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Tuesday, January 30, 2024

RE: Letter ID: U782400372; Shiawassee County

To whom it may concern:

In response to the information that the property is located in Shiawassee County, the property is in fact located in Genesee County.

In response to, as the letter states that LJ Inc. "Failed to thoroughly inspect the affected facility.": LAT's Enterprises (owner of the property) did have a builder inspect the farm house before demolition to see if it was able to be salvaged and remodeled as a continual home. It was believed necessary to condemn the farm's house. At that point LAT's Enterprises sought for liability and safety purposes, to demolish the farm's home. It is still undecided whether a new home will be erected on the corner of this property. Out of respect for the neighbor who grew up in the farm house and had several family members reside in the home for several years, LJ Inc. offered to demolish the house on behalf of LAT's Enterprises LLC. This decision was made after discussing with the original owner (who is also the neighbor of the farm). This was also discussed via phone calls with township officials.

As for the inspection of the demolition, the demolition was in progress at the time of the site visit by the State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, & Energy and the inspection was scheduled to take place at the completion of the demolition of the house on the same day.

In response to, as the letter states that  $\sqcup$  Inc. "Failed to provide the administrator with written notice of intention to demolish or renovate.":  $\sqcup$  Inc. pulled a Permit for Demolition from Clayton Township in May 2023 and was granted the permit.

Additionally,  $\sqcup$  Inc. received a green Approved sticker from the township inspector on January 18, 2024 in order to close out the open demolition permit (Reference permit # 23-01044 secured on 5/25/2023).

After stating all of the facts surrounding the incident which have led us here; we would like to further note that we know that there is always something new to learn. Knowing this we would like to ensure your office/department that we do learn from our mistakes and we have had much discussion with your representative, Craig Dechy, to better understand the process and guidelines and requirements of the State of Michigan. Going forward, we now understand better the expectations of your department should we ever encounter another demolition project of any kind. We will be keeping notes of the statutes laid out in your letter and will reach out to your department should we ever encounter another demolition project. Additionally, we will do our best to share what we have learned through this experience with others for the betterment of our State and its citizens.

One last thing I would like to mention is that we appreciate all of the assistance and explanation Craig Dechy has provided in ensuring we have the proper knowledge going forth.

Please refer to enclosed documents

Respectfully Submitted,

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Tracy Slieff

Vice President