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Mr. Joe Barrella, Co-Founder
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12871 NW Highway 441
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Re: Permit No. 0010133-002-AO
Alachua County – Air Permitting
Bren-Tronics Energy Systems, LLC
Non-Title V Air Operation Permit Renewal

Dear Mr. Barrella:

Enclosed is Permit Number 0010133-002-AO to operate the subject air pollution emissions unit(s), pursuant to Section 403.087, Florida Statutes (F. S.).

Project: On July 2, 2012, the applicant submitted an application for the initial operating permit, which authorizes operation of a lithium-ion battery manufacturing facility. The facility will be located at the previous site of US Lithium Energetics Battery Manufacturing facility which is 12871 NW Highway 441, Alachua, FL 32615-6566. The Standard Industrial Classification Code No. 3691, which is a lithium-ion battery manufacturing facility. The facility is located in Alachua County at the above referenced address. The UTM coordinates are Zone 17: 361.4 km East; 3294.8 km North.

Permitting Authority: Applications for air operation permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210, and 62-212 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and an air permit is required to perform the proposed work. The Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project is the Department of Environmental Protection's Air Resource Section in the Northeast District Office. The Permitting Authority's physical and mailing address is: 7777 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256-7590. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is 904-256-1700.

Petitions: The Department's proposed agency action shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. The procedures for petitioning for a hearing are set forth below. A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed with (received by) the Department's Agency Clerk in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station #35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 (Telephone: 850/245-2242). Petitions filed by the applicant or any of the parties listed below must be filed within 14 days of receipt of this written notice.

A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above, at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it.

Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how each petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so state; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and, (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action. A petition that does not dispute the material facts upon which the Permitting Authority's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Department's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this notice. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Department on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

Mediation: Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

Notice of Appeal: Any party to the Order has the right to seek judicial review of the Order pursuant to Section l20.68, F.S., by the filing of a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Rule 9.110 of the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, Mail Station 35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000; and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 30 days after the Final Order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Executed in Jacksonville, Florida.

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