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Mr. Donald R. Shumake, V.P. and General Manager
Gerdau Ameristeel
Jacksonville Steel Mill
16770 Rebar Road
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Re: Gerdau Ameristeel - Jacksonville Steel Mill
Facility ID No. 0310157
Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) Applicability

Dear Mr. Shumake:

Previously, your facility was identified as having the following BART-eligible units: the existing electric arc furnace, the existing billet reheat furnace, the existing slag processing operation, and the existing melt shop building. For such units, Rule 62-296.340(3)(b), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) requires, "The BART evaluation and proposed BART determination(s) shall be submitted to the Department in an application for an air construction permit not later than January 31, 2007." However, Rule 62-296.340(5)(d), F.A.C., also states, "If the owner or operator of a BART-eligible source requests exemption from the requirement for BART determination for all pollutants by submitting its source attribution analysis or other supporting documentation to the Department not later than January 31, 2007, and the Department ultimately grants such exemption, the requirement for submission of an air construction permit application pursuant to subparagraph 62-296.340(3)(b)1., F.A.C., shall not apply." Several cases for exemption from the BART requirements are provided in Rule 62-296.340(5), F.A.C.

This letter is to inform you that the Department has not received an application for a BART determination or a request for exemption from the BART requirements. The Department is aware of the new construction to modernize the plant. Please contact Jeff Koerner at 850/921-9536 no later than March 1, 2007 to discuss the rationale for non-submittal and how Gerdau should proceed in this matter.

Sincerely,

Trina Vielhauer, Chief
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