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Qualification of Reinforcing Steel Producing Mill

Mr. Eric Hess
North American Stainless
6870 Highway 42 East
Ghent, Kentucky 41045

Dear Mr. Hess:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Construction Division has completed the qualification evaluation of your (stainless) reinforcing steel producing mill. We obtained companion samples of your material during the qualification process and have tested them at our Austin laboratory.

As a result of our satisfactory qualification findings and the acceptable companion sample test results, your producing mill listed below has been **approved for (1) year** from the effective date shown. Your mill and location will be maintained on the Department's approved Material Producer List (MPL) "Reinforcing Steel Mills."

Producing Mill Name: North American Stainless
Address: 6870 Highway 42 East
City, State: Ghent, KY 41045
Effective Date: November 2011

For future qualification of your producing mill, after November 2012, you must attain the AASHTO-NTPEP Certification to remain on the Department's approved Material Producer List. The Department reserves the right to conduct random audits of your mill, sample qualified reinforcing stainless steel bar for testing, and to perform random audits of your test reports. Please direct questions concerning the qualification process to Javier Jaime Vela at (512) 506-5931.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Roche, P.E.
Structural Materials Branch Manager
Construction Division
Materials & Pavements Section

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