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BRIAN FISHER  
PO BOX 133  
GOLVA ND 58632

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

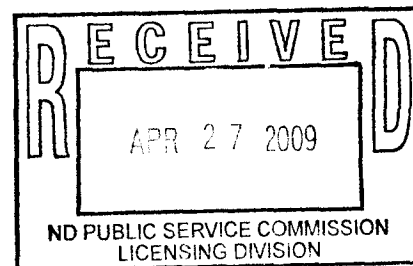
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To ensure that all the growers are paid according to their contracts, we are asking you to verify our records on what is owed to you for your delivered safflower crop. Our records indicate that the total amount due to you is \$37,813.83. If your records show otherwise, please contact us immediately. The department will be sending additional documentation in the near future to formally confirm the amount due and your tax identification number before processing any payments.

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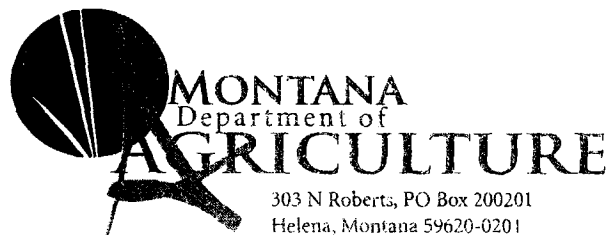
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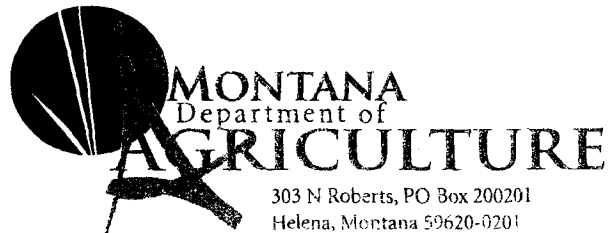
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EUGENE GUNDERSON  
3951 HWY 1806 W  
WATFORD CITY ND 58854

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

Dear EUGENE GUNDERSON,

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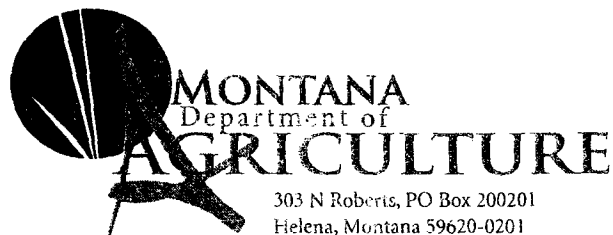
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LYNN HOVDE  
13653 30TH ST NW  
ALEXANDER ND 58831

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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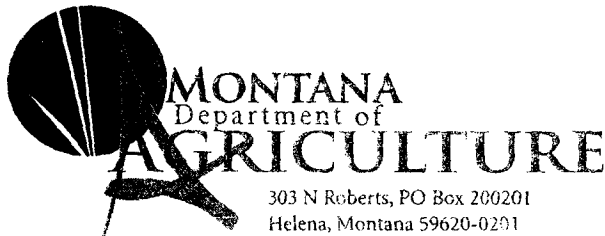
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DOUGLAS & SANDRA IVERSON  
4624 154TH AVE NW  
WILLISTON ND 58801

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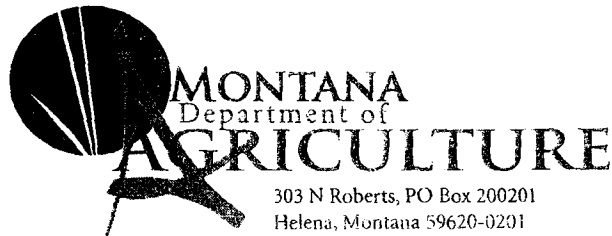
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GENE JOHNSON  
6488 HWY 40  
TIOGA ND 58852

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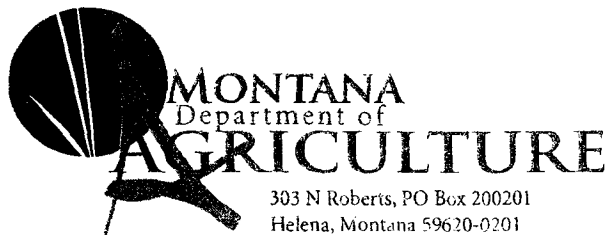
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DENNIS JOHNSRUD  
6121 125TH AVE NW  
EPPING ND 58843

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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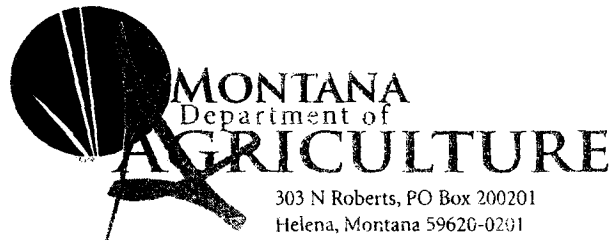
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DUSTIN JOHNSRUD  
6122 125TH AVE NW  
EPPING ND 58843

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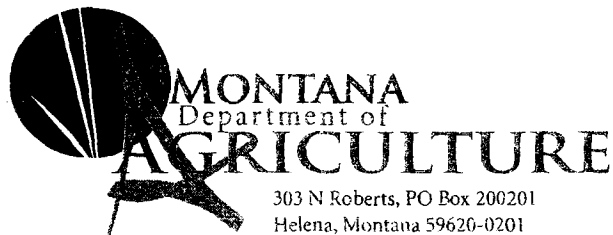
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ARLYN LEDAHL  
8780 CR 7  
ZAHN ND 58856

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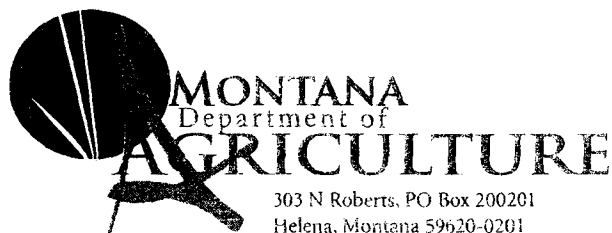
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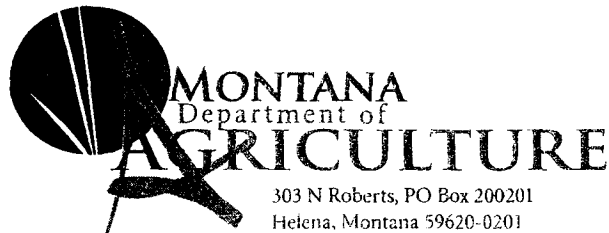
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MYRON & HARVEY LEE  
15051 58TH ST NW  
WILLISON ND 58801

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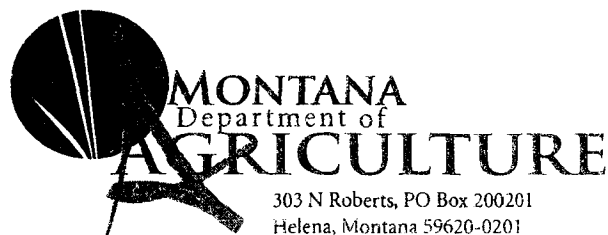
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April 22, 2009

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5353 153RD AVE NW  
WILLISTON ND 58801

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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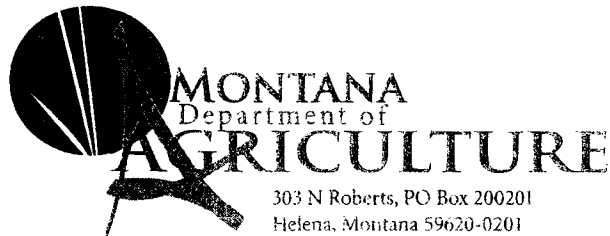
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JOE MICHELS  
672 BLACK DIAMOND ROAD E  
BEACH ND 58621

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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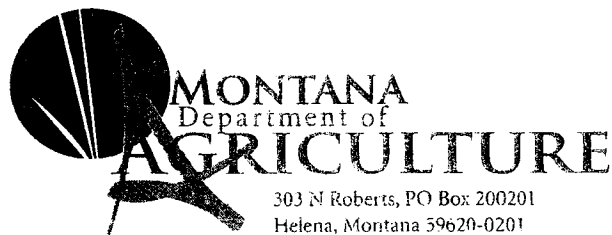
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JOHN ROLFSRUD  
BOX 55  
KEENE ND 58847

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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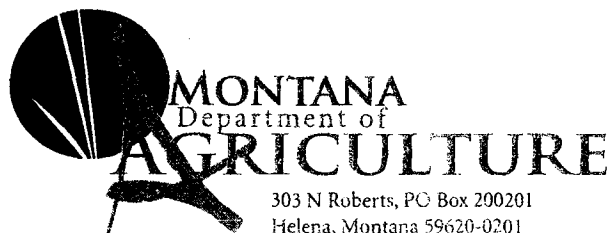
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ERNEST SCHOBER  
14403 80TH ST SW  
BOWMAN ND 58623

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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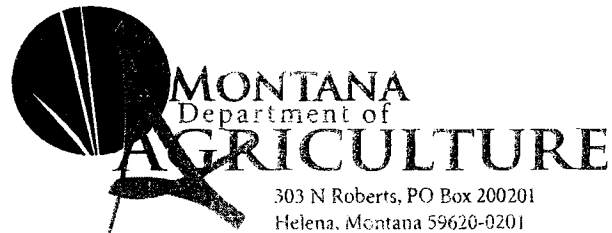
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SELLE FARMS INC  
9875 137TH AVE NW  
FORTUNA ND 58844

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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ALAN SOLBERG  
14838 57TH ST NW  
WILLISTON ND 58801

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

Dear ALAN SOLBERG,

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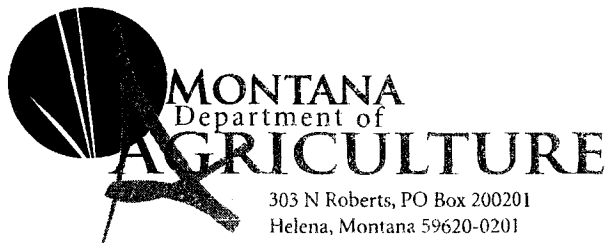
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BOX K RANCH  
1107 DELL AVE  
DICKINSON ND 58601-4137

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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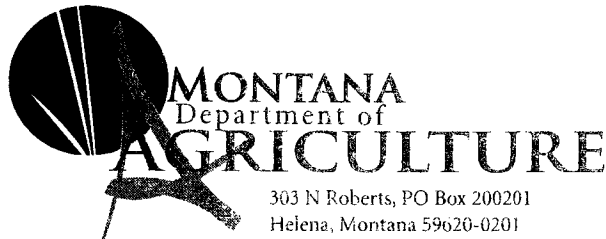
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CARL DAHL  
10190 US 85 NW  
FORTUNA ND 58844-9627

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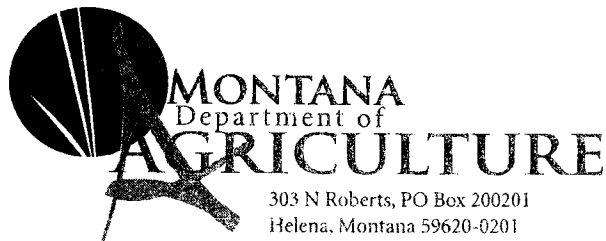
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PO BOX 201  
RAY ND 58849

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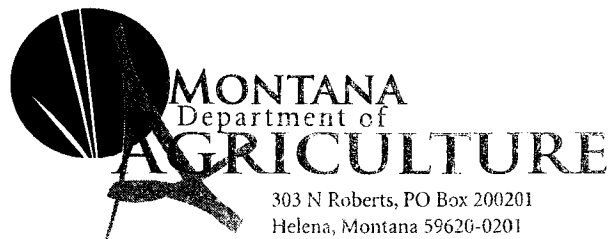
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4605 33RD AVE SE  
MINOT ND 58701

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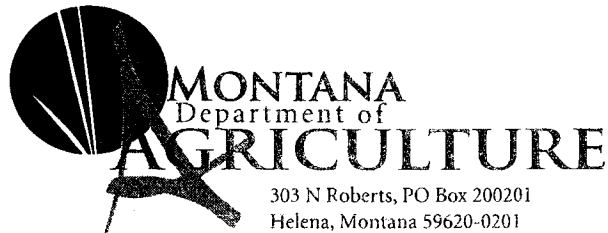
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TOM FISH  
PO BOX 44  
RHAME ND 58651

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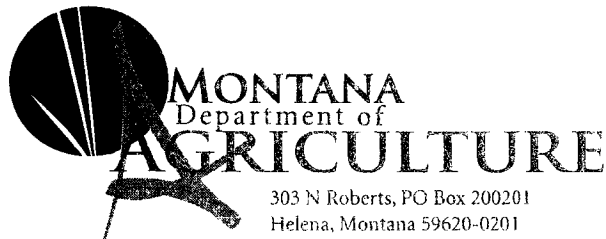
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TYLER GRUBB  
4056 ASTER LOOP  
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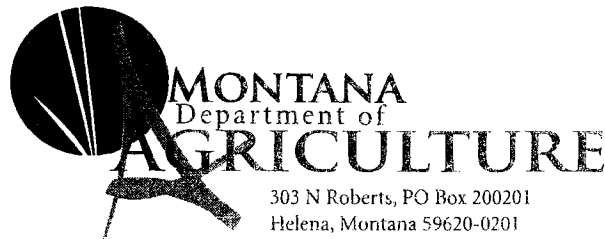
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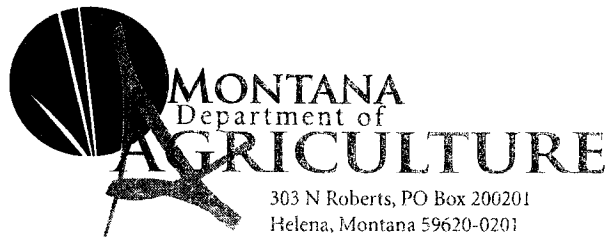
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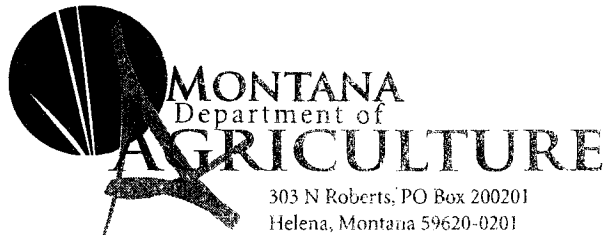
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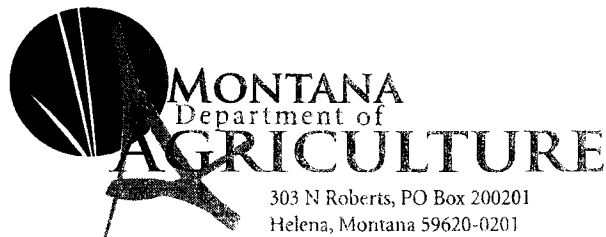
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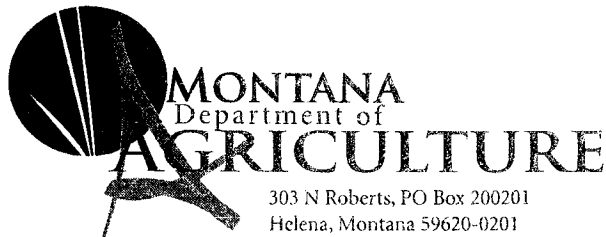
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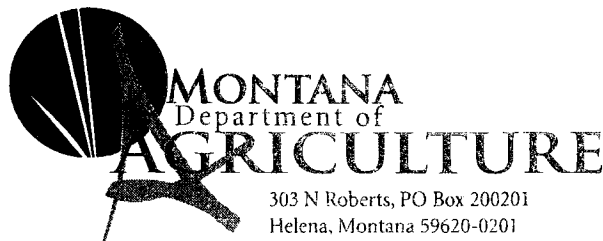
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RANDY KUNDRNA  
10650 17TH ST SW  
MANNING ND 58642

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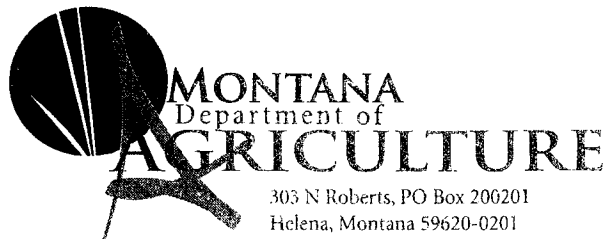
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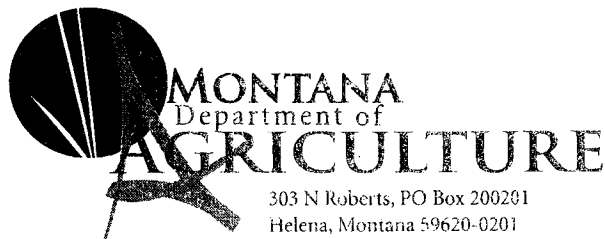
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15051 58TH ST NW  
WILLISTON ND 58801

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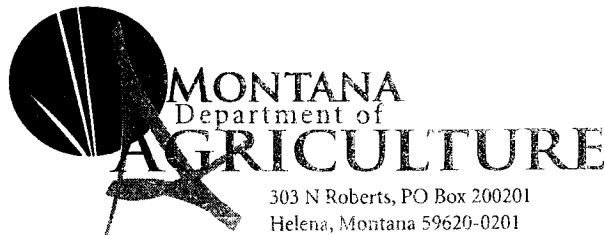
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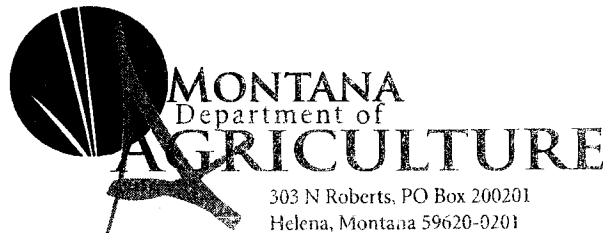
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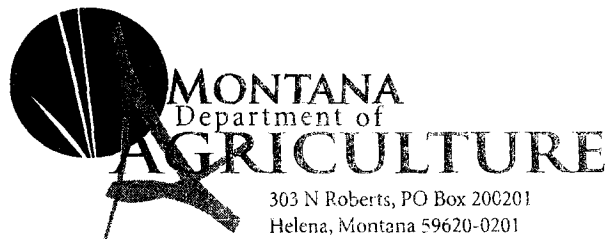
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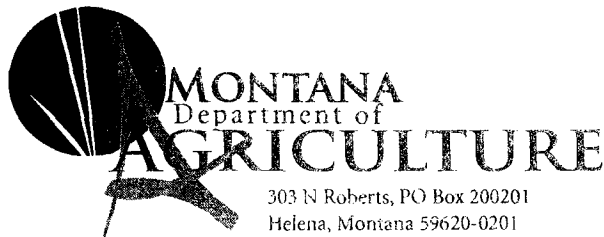
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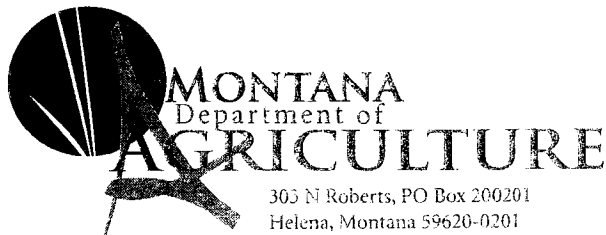
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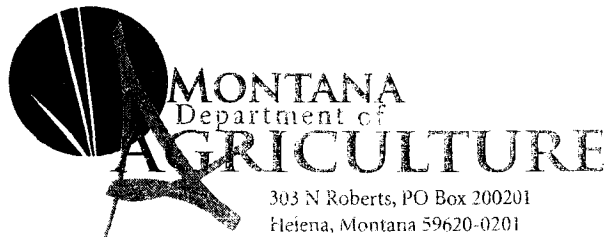
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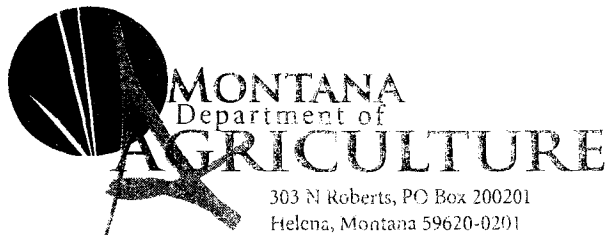
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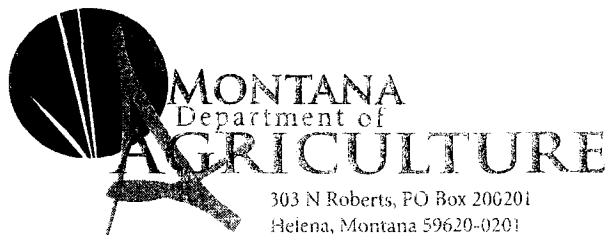
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PO BOX 251  
HALLIDAY ND 58636

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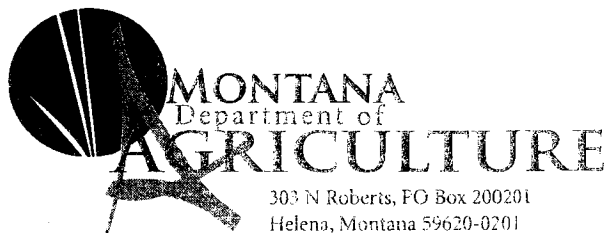
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SHAWN SUNDBERG  
10035 124TH AVE NW  
CROSBY ND 58730

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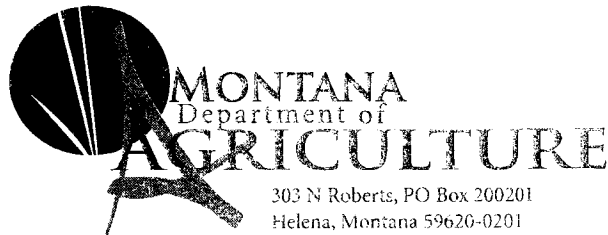
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ANDY UNDLIN  
3020 80TH ST NW  
LANDSFORD ND 58750

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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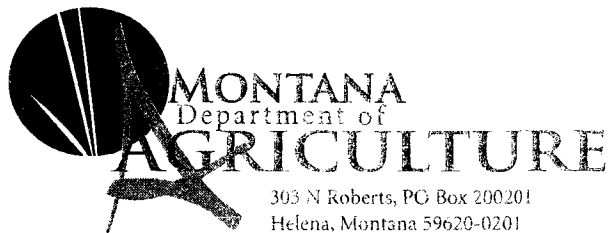
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CURTIS UNDLIN  
8741 29TH AVE NW  
LANDSFORD ND 58750

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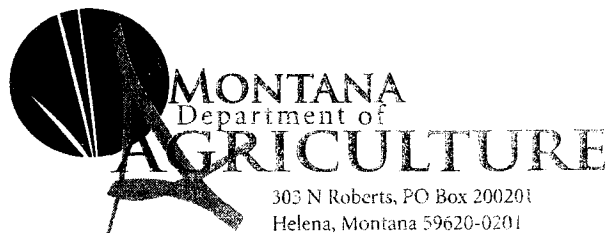
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743 3RD AVE S  
LANDSFORD ND 58750

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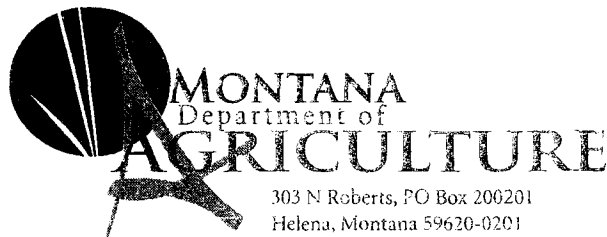
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10525 CO 2 NW  
FORTUNA ND 58844

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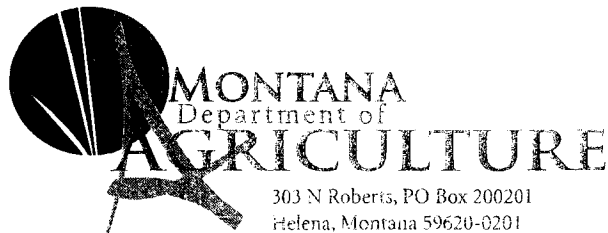
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13315 105 ST NW  
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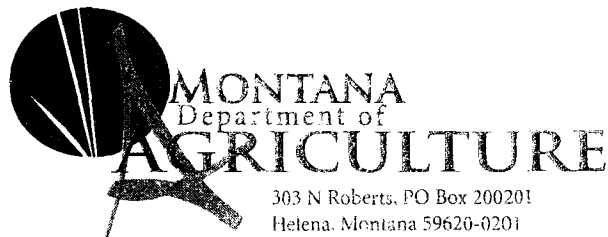
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502 JUNIPER AVENUE  
GLEN DIVE MT 59330

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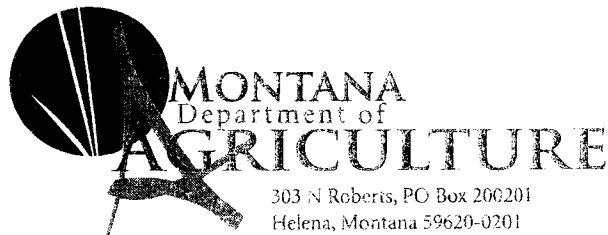
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PO BOX 634  
CHESTER MT 59522

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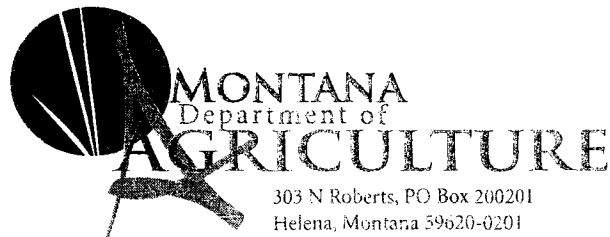
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HC 71 BOX 7275  
WIBAUX MT 59353

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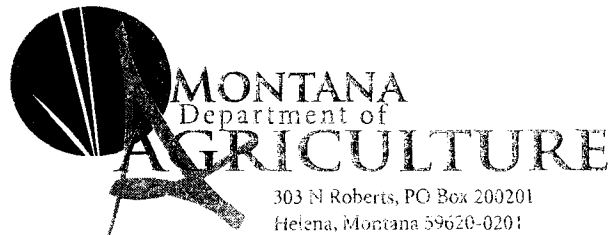
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9745 US 85  
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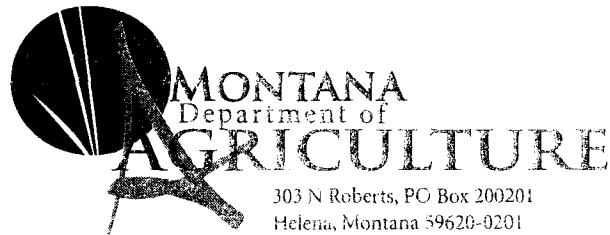
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5505 113TH DRIVE NW  
RAY ND 58849

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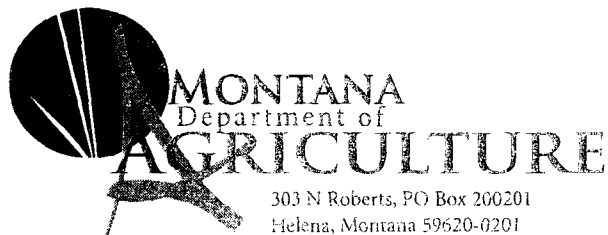
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2452 106TH AVE NW  
KEENE ND 58847

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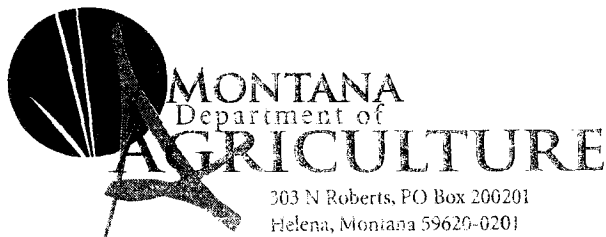
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5355 27TH ST  
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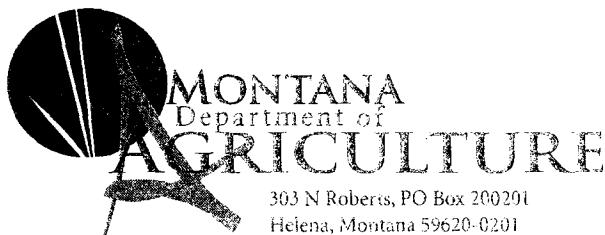
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Sincerely,

Ron de Yong  
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April 22, 2009

MOGEN FARMS  
4261 106TH AVE NW  
NEW TOWN ND 58763

RE: Sustainable Systems, LLC Liquidation

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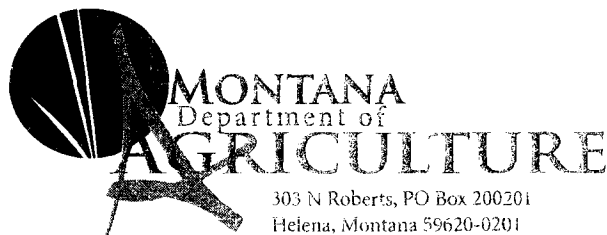
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KEITH & KAREN SCHOTT  
279 BRINKEL ROAD  
BROADVIEW MT 59015

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Ron de Yong  
Director

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PO BOX 254  
BELFIELD ND 58622

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