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Mr. Jacob Saffert
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RE: PaintCare's Illinois Paint Stewardship Program Plan, dated March 21, 2025

Dear Mr. Saffert,

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA") has completed its review of PaintCare's Illinois Paint Stewardship Program Plan ("Plan"), dated March 21, 2025, and revised on August 27, 2025. The Plan was reviewed for compliance with 415 ILCS 175, the Paint Stewardship Act, and the recently amended 35 Illinois Administrative Code Universal Waste Management regulations.

Section 15 of the Paint Stewardship Act establishes the criteria by which PaintCare must create a reasonably convenient and available statewide collection system for consumers, and other covered entities, to drop off-unwanted paint. At this time, the Illinois EPA is approving the program plan. PaintCare shall submit to the Agency any future changes to the plan.

Thank you for your continued efforts to move this important program forward to implementation in Illinois. The Illinois EPA looks forward to a successful start of the PaintCare program in Illinois on December 1, 2025.

Please contact me with any questions you may have regarding the ongoing implementation of PaintCare's Program. I can be reached at 217-558-1959 or by email to Vishnu.srinivasaraghavan2@illinois.gov.

Sincerely,

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