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Subject: RE: Personal Property Debris Removal

Thanks for the update Thomas!

Richele

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Richele Danielle and Elizabeth:

Last night the Chairman of Beaufort County Council declared a Public Health Emergency/State of Emergency pursuant to the authority vested in him by Beaufort Code of Ordinance Section 22-28(a) and (b). (An unsigned copy is attached. I will forward a signed copy when I receive it.) Thereafter, County Council ratified and adopted the Proclamation pursuant to Beaufort Code of Ordinance 22-28(e). The Public Health Emergency/State of Emergency is in effect until rescinded by County Council.

As I anticipated, there was some anxiety regarding the affect this Proclamation will have on the County's financial situation. However, Council felt that the need to address the life, health and safety issues and the need to restore our tourism based communities to a presentable condition outweighed financial uncertainties.

Thank you for your help. Elizabeth, I will probably be calling you later this morning.

Thanks again.

Tom

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Richele, Danielle and Elizabeth:

Beaufort County administration will be explaining the PPDR program to County Council tonight. It is likely County Council will find a state of emergency exists and that it is in the public interest to remove debris from ROWs in gated communities and on private roads due to the immediate threats these debris piles pose to life, public health and safety and to ensure economic recovery of many communities which are tourism based. The threat is clear and ubiquitous. However, Beaufort County's resources are limited and including in the declaration an unconditional requirement that the County take on the authority and financial responsibility of removing the debris from *all* public and private roads can be financially ruinous and arguably irresponsible when the cost of doing so is unknown and the probability of reimbursement is anyone's guess. Therefore, depending on the outcome of tonight's meeting Beaufort County may, once again, ask the state to declare a public health emergency either through the governor's office or through the authority delegated to DHEC.

I'll be in touch tomorrow to let you know the outcome of tonight's meeting.

Thank you.

Tom

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