

October 2, 2008

City of Columbus Fleet Management Division Attn: Connie Warner 50 W. Gay Street, 1st. Floor Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Connie,

In response to your letter of September 30, 2008, Sutphen would qualify as the Sole Source provider for Sutphen apparatus as we do meet each of the following criteria:

- 1.) Sutphen is the OEM for the completed apparatus as well as many unique parts.
- 2.) Sutphen is the only authorized dealer for OEM parts.
- 3.) Sutphen is the only facility authorized to perform manufacturer/warranty repairs.

Our apparatus is especially designed and patented by Sutphen, therefore, we are the sole source provider of many parts and items. We do not have dealers or distributors which carry or stock these items or parts; they are available only from our facilities.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Drew Sutphen

President

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