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FIRESTONE BUILDING PRODUCTS CONSUMER ALERT

Subject: Important Information Regarding Firestone PondGard™ EPDM Liner Membrane

Notwithstanding repeated warnings, some companies apparently continue to propose RubberGard EPDM roofing membranes manufactured by Firestone Building Products for applications in the decorative pond markets, even though these membranes are intended solely for flat roofing markets.

Although the visual appearance of Firestone's RubberGard EPDM roofing membrane is very similar to that of the PondGard membrane, only the Firestone PondGard EPDM Liner is specifically designed for decorative pond applications. Due to the significant differences in formulation and production process, only the Firestone PondGard EPDM Liner is guaranteed to be compatible with fish and aquatic life, in accordance with the testing that Firestone has completed. This test report is available upon simple request to your Firestone PondGard local distributor or dealer.

This is not the case with Firestone's EPDM Roofing membranes! Firestone EPDM Roofing membranes are neither formulated nor manufactured to provide a suitable habitat for fish or aquatic life. In fact, Firestone EPDM Roofing membranes may contain components or residues that are clearly hostile to either fish or aquatic life. Due to this, Firestone must caution any potential customer against using EPDM Roofing membranes as part of an aquatic habitat. Firestone specifically wants to inform the end user that should they purchase EPDM Roofing membranes in lieu of Firestone PondGard membrane, they are possibly putting their fish or aquatic life in danger. In addition Firestone will not be held responsible, should situations occur where Firestone EPDM Roofing membranes are used for decorative ponds instead of the Firestone PondGard membrane.

To avoid any confusion, rolls of Firestone PondGard EPDM liner membranes can be easily identified as follows:

- A special blue reinforced packaging with imprint of the Firestone PondGard logo symbol.
- Imprint on the membrane of a Firestone F-shield plus the notation "PNDG".

We hope that this important information will help consumers make effective and safe decisions regarding the selection of membranes that are suitable for aquatic environments. Please do not hesitate to contact Firestone Building Products if you should have any questions in regard to this subject.

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