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Verheyden Works LLC.
18400 Bull Springs Rd.
Bend, OR 97703

DEMAND NOTICE

RE: Action: Fire Suppression Cost Recovery
 Fire Name: Bull Springs
 Date of Fire: 03/28/2021
 Fire Number: 21-955-083-21
 Invoice Number:

The Oregon Department of Forestry has completed an investigation of the above-captioned incident and has determined you are responsible for the ignition or spread of this uncontrolled fire. Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 477 details liability for persons faulted for causing a fire. The cost incurred by the State Forester, or his contractors, in controlling and extinguishing this fire is your liability as per enclosed invoice. This liability is not a fine or civil penalty and is separate from any obligation you currently pay taxes or fire patrol assessments. Your liability for this incident is **\$68,907.56**.

Pursuant to ORS 477.068 and 477.085, you have 90 days from the date of this invoice to satisfy this liability. If these actual costs are not paid within 90 days, this debt will accrue 10% interest from the date of this demand. To avoid interest and legal fees; we encourage you to resolve this claim within the 90-day demand period. If you have any questions regarding your status in this case, please give Neil Miller or Ryan Andrade a call before 5:00 p.m. on **7/25/2023**.

If you believe you do not owe this money or if you have information that would give cause to adjust or forgive this demand, please detail the facts in writing and send it to the Department of Forestry before the 90-day demand period expires. If you are referring this demand to your insurance company or attorney, please have them make contact immediately to advise us that they are representing you.

Payment agreements may be available if this liability represents a verifiable hardship to your household or business. The Oregon Department of Forestry cannot give you legal advice on this matter. Cost recovery cases are civil actions and may be in addition to any citations or criminal charges associated with this incident.

Please mail your payment to: ODF, Unit 12, PO Box 4395, Portland, OR 97208.

Sincerely,

Neil Miller

Cost Recovery Specialist
Protection from Fire Division
503-949-6329

