

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Plant Protection and Quarantine

Center for Plant Health Science and Technology AQI Raleigh 1730 Varsity Drive, Suite 300 Raleigh, NC 27606-5228, USA Phone: +1 919-855-7450 Fax: +1 919-855-7493

## **Letter of Quarantine Heat Treatment Equipment Approval**

Debra Durham Government Solutions 5750 W. 80th St. Indianapolis, IN 46278

March 10, 2016

Dear Ms. Durham:

USDA-APHIS-PPQ-S&T CPHST-AQI Raleigh (Center for Plant Health Science & Technology, Agriculture Quarantine Inspection Raleigh) reviewed the submitted information for STI Series 2000 (shedder/steamer) from BioSafe Engineering. Craig Ramsey (USDA-APHIS-PPQ-CPHST) in a two-year study tested the suitability of a shredder and steaming system for sanitizing regulated garbage with successful results. The STI Series 2000 (shredder/steamer) meets the requirements of the PPQ Treatment Manual and is APPROVED for USDA quarantine moist heat treatments (212 F° or 100 C° and below). CPHST AQI must authorize any proposed change of equipment related to USDA quarantine heat treatments prior to installation. BioSafe Engineering offers the STI Series 2000 for sale or as fees for service. This approval letter authorizes the use of the STI Series 2000 for USDA quarantine moist heat treatments. If you have any questions regarding the equipment approval process, please contact the CPHST AQI Raleigh at 919-855-7450.

Sincerely,



Dean A. Komm, Ph.D., Plant Pathology Treatment Program Manager CPHST AQI Raleigh dean.komm@aphis.usda.gov