

FW: Tencate Grass Americas DBA: Greenfields USA : Reycling _ Martha 's Vineyard

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 2 attachments

Adam Turner Marthas Vinyard Commission re recycling _ 10.15.2020.pdf; Adam Turner Marthas Vinyard Commission re recycling 2.4.2020.pdf;

Alex & Lucy, I just received this email and noted that you were not copied. I am including you for your records.

Thanks

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Dear Mr. Turner;

Joe Fields, President of Tencate Grass Americas, asked me to send the attached letter regarding Tencate's recycling program. For your convenience I have pasted the body of the email below.

This is a link to a video that describes the recycling process: <https://youtu.be/rEmkXYLL0xg>

VIA EMAIL

Mr. Adam Turner
Martha's Vineyard Commission
PO Box 1447
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Dear Mr. Turner,

We understand there has been some recent communication by others questioning the ability and commitment by TenCate Grass regarding recycling of our Ironturf™ Ultragreen at end of life. If you recall, I sent you a letter on February 4, 2020 outlining our commitment to recycling the turf installed at MVRHS, and why our newest product, Ironturf™ by Greenfields, can be considered a cradle to-cradle recyclable product. I have attached my original letter here for your reference and can proudly reiterate our commitment to recycle the Ironturf™ product should it be installed at MVRHS.

The following are several points that I would like to reiterate as you review the project:

The GBN facility, which opened in July of 2020, is now fully operational. Here is a recent video of the entire actual process: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dduzsIZy7cQ>

1. The facility has the capacity to recycle 1,000 athletic fields per year and the recycling process is being monitored and certified by Kiwa, a third-party leader in that field in Europe.

2. Our woven Ironturf™ is unique in that it is not only recyclable, but it affords us the opportunity to achieve a cradle-to-cradle certification where other turf

products cannot reach this standard. Stated simply, our woven Ironturf™ is made of components that are all part of the polyolefin family and can therefore be re-pelletized and put back into the exact same production stream to create the fibers for new synthetic turf fields.

3. Moreover, we can guarantee that ANY synthetic turf field installed at Martha's Vineyard Regional High School can be recycled through our process at our new joint venture plant in the Netherlands and are willing to provide chain-of-custody documentation at the time of removal. Furthermore, we are in the planning stages for a similar recycling facility in the US and are confident that our US-based recycling facility will be on-line within the next 24 months, which is likely a decade prior to when your turf will need recycling.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Best Regards,

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