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City of Ocala 1220 NW 4th Ave. Ocala, FL 34475

Attention: Louis D. Acosta

Reference: City of Ocala

Sole Source Procurement (Parts & Service)

2.0 Meter Winklepress



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Dear Mr. Acosta,

Alfa Laval Inc. (formerly Ashbrook Simon-Hartley Operations LP) is the Original Equipment Manufacturer (O.E.M.) of the Winklepress 2.0-meter (belt filter press) installed at The City of Ocala in Ocala, FL and is the sole source authorized provider for all Original Equipment Manufacturer (O.E.M.) parts and service. Only Alfa Laval Inc. certified personnel are allowed to install parts in order to preserve the equipment warranty. Anyone who is not authorized by Alfa Laval to install the parts will subject the equipment to be out of warranty.

Alfa Laval continues to develop and bring technology to our industry. Due to the sensitive nature of Alfa Laval's technology, our equipment and most replacement parts are either proprietary or patented, as each is designed specifically for your equipment, the application, and expected use, therefore, others cannot legally manufacture our equipment or offer Alfa Laval O.E.M. replacement parts and service.

Constant investment in research and development, a commitment to quality, and improving our new equipment and our equipment currently in operation around the world, allows Alfa Laval to bring the latest developments in technology to our industry and clients. This includes patented or proprietary items such as chicanes, wedge adjustments, cylinders, hydraulic systems, bearing housings, rollers, steering and tensioning systems and so on. An illustration of this commitment is our quality assurance program. All parts are made to Alfa Laval's standard level of quality under ISO9001:2015 certified procedures.

Thank you for requesting this information and the opportunity to fully explain our commitment. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 281-985-4405 or Ross Locklin (Regional Sales Manager) @ 346-366-5909.

Sincerely,

Larry Packard

Larry Packard - Application Engineer