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Chamness Resolves Environmental Compliance Issue
Plea Agreement Entered

BLAIRSBURG, IA – Chamness Technology, Inc. entered into a misdemeanor plea agreement with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa regarding an environmental compliance issue at the company’s Eddyville, Iowa facility. The issue occurred in November 2010 and involved storm water runoff.

“I am pleased this issue has been resolved,” said Gary Chamness, President of Chamness Technology, Inc. “Our Company was founded on the principles of environmental stewardship and this issue has been troubling for all involved,” said Chamness.

On November 1, 2010 an employee of Chamness Technology did not comply with regulations when discharging storm water runoff from a holding pond. Water from the holding pond was discharged directly into the Palestine Creek, which was not in compliance with environment regulations. “While the issue is certainly troubling, we are grateful there was no long-term environmental impact on local streams, rivers or ground water,” said Chamness.

“Once the employee’s actions were discovered, Chamness Technology cooperated fully with all appropriate governing bodies to resolve the issue and secured a three-year permit renewal,” said F. Montgomery Brown, legal counsel for the company. “Today’s plea agreement is the final step in resolving this case,” said Brown.

“I was deeply disappointed by the unauthorized actions of this employee because it is not representative of our company’s commitment to protect the environment,” said Chamness. The Company did use this incident to institute some new procedures and enhance training programs for all employees. Today, all employees have the opportunity to be certified by the U.S. Composting Council and participate in additional training classes at Iowa State University.

“I am proud of the work we do as a leader in recycling,” said Chamness. “Every day we make a difference with our clients and the environment.”

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Chamness Technology, Inc. is an organic waste recycler and is headquartered in Blairsburg, Iowa. The company was founded in 1986 with the mission of providing sustainable and efficient disposal of organic waste for government, industry and agriculture. Chamness offers comprehensive recycling services for organic materials; including composting, dewatering, dredging and land application. For more information, visit www.ChamnessTechnology.com.