



5 July 2012

Humberto "Chief" Alvarez
General Manager
Sun State International Trucks LLC
41609 Hwy 27
Davenport, Florida 33837

Dear Mr. Alvarez:

Your efforts in the area of education and preservation of Florida's maritime heritage have recently come to my attention. I wish to commend you for your continued involvement and assistance to the Crystal River Boat Builders (CRBB) in the construction of the Civil War era scow replica. The construction of this vessel is one of the most visible partnerships between the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN) and the CRBB. Its completion will mark an important milestone of public education at the Crystal River Preserve State Park. I also want to thank you for your efforts with the re-enactors of the *USS Fort Henry* in bringing historical maritime education and outreach to the Florida public.

With your assistance and the support of people like you we will be able to finish the scow and work toward a building a better understanding of the maritime history of Florida.

Thank you again, and we appreciate to your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brent Weisman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brent Weisman, Ph.D
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