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July 7, 2021

Mr. Thomas P. Morrissey  
President  
Woodstock Soapstone Company, Inc.  
66 Airpark Road  
West Lebanon, New Hampshire 03784

Re: Renewal of Certificate of Compliance Number 33-16 for the Absolute Steel Hybrid 211  
Model Catalytic Wood Heater

Dear Mr. Morrissey:

I am pleased to inform Woodstock Soapstone Company, Inc. (Woodstock) that your March 22, 2021 request for renewal of the above-referenced Certificate of Compliance has been approved pursuant to the 2015 New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) for New Residential Wood Heaters, New Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces at 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAA (2015 NSPS) by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Pursuant to the 2015 NSPS, this letter serves as your Certificate of Compliance and is valid through July 7, 2026. Please refer to the above Certificate of Compliance number in all future correspondence.

In accordance with the 2015 Wood Heater Rule at 40 CFR Part 60, §60.533(i)(2), a manufacturer of a heater model line may apply to EPA for renewal of the model line's Certificate of Compliance. To do so, the manufacturer may affirm in writing that the heaters in the model line continue to be similar in all material respects that would affect emissions to the representative heater submitted for testing on which the original Certificate of Compliance was based. In making such an affirmation, the manufacturer also may request a potential waiver from certification testing.

Based on a January 30, 2016 (revised on April 29, 2021, and June 14, 2021) test report by Services Polytests, a February 19, 2016 (revised on May 3, 2021, and June 23, 2021), Certification of Conformity by PFS TECO, and your March 22, 2021, request for renewal of the Certificate of Compliance, EPA has determined that the model line continues to meet the certification requirements at §60.533. Therefore, pursuant to §60.533(i)(2), EPA is waiving certification testing for the above-referenced model. Woodstock may not advertise for sale, offer for sale, or sell wood heaters under this Certificate of Compliance after July 7, 2026, without applying for and being issued another Certificate of Compliance with an updated expiration date.

All wood heaters manufactured or sold under this Certificate of Compliance must comply with EPA labeling requirements found at §60.536. These provisions require each wood heater to have a permanent

label affixed to it, including the month and year of manufacture, model name or number, serial number, certification test emission value, test method, standard met, and compliance certification statement.

In addition, Woodstock must comply with all applicable requirements of the regulation, including:

1. Conducting a third-party certifier-approved quality assurance program which ensures that all units within a model line are similar to the wood heater submitted for certification testing in all respects that would affect emissions and are in compliance with the applicable emission limit, pursuant to §60.533(m);
2. Applying for recertification or obtaining a recertification waiver from EPA whenever any change is made to the above-referenced model that affects or is presumed to affect the particulate matter emission rate for the model line, pursuant to §60.533(k)(1);
3. Providing an owner's manual that includes the information listed in §60.536(g)(1) with each affected wood heater model offered for sale;
4. Submitting a report to the EPA every two years following issuance of a Certificate of Compliance for each model line. This report must include the sales for each model by state and certify that no changes in the design or manufacture of this model line have been made that require recertification under §60.533(k);
5. Retaining records and submitting reports as required at §60.537; and
6. Submitting wood heaters for audit testing if selected by the EPA under §60.533(n)(1)(i) and (2)(i).

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in revoking this Certificate of Compliance and enforcement action, including penalties as specified under the Clean Air Act. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Rafael Sanchez of my staff at (202) 564-7028 or via email at [WoodHeaterReports@epa.gov](mailto:WoodHeaterReports@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

Anthony J. Miller  
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