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To:  
Sims Pump and Valve Company Inc.  
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Attention: Mr. George Yochum

Dear George:

While speaking with a customer last week in regards to bearing life and performance, the subject of Simsite came up. As you know, we have Simsite bearings installed in various large 60 inch pumps within the Florida Power Corporation system, Crystal River units 1&2 and the Anclote Plant in Tarpon Springs. In fact, we just converted the cooling tower pumps to Simsite bearings last month. We have had good success with the bearing conversions on these pumps since Simsite functions extremely well in salt water applications and requires no lube with a flow through design bearing. These conversions result in the pumps becoming environmentally friendly.

We started the conversion process about four years ago. After pulling one of the pumps for inspection in the last fall outage, I want to report to you that minimal wear was found and the customer was very pleased with the results. Due to the success of Simsite, we at Mid-State Machine and Fabrication are pleased to offer Simsite Products to our customers with pride and confidence. George I want to personally thank you for all your help.

Sincerely,



Harold J. Conover  
Manager/Sales Rotating Equipment Repair Div.