

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY UNITED STATES ARMY TANK-AUTOMOTIVE AND ARMAMENTS COMMAND

WARREN, MICHIGAN 48397-5000

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

AMSTA-AQ-ATBA

29 October 2004

SUBJECT: Purchase Order No. W56HZV04-P0918, Spare Tire Carrier

Dave Mueller President BPR-RICO Equipment Inc. 120 N. State Road Medina, OH 44256-1467

Dear Mr. Mueller,

The United States Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command appreciates your efforts regarding the subject Spare Tire Carrier which had testing conducted at Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG).

The testing of the subject Spare Tire Carrier is complete. Your Spare Tire Carrier has met the specified requirements (see attached test report) and is considered an approved source. The part number that RICO assigned to its HMMWV Drop Down Spare Tire Carrier Accessory Kit is STA007-05. That part number, combined with RICO's Cage Code of 0ZM57 will identify the Spare Tire Carrier Accessory Kit without ambiguity.

At this time, we are attempting to identify a quantity of spare tire carriers to meet our immediate needs. This process may take several weeks. Once this quantity has been established, your firm will be contacted.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter via email. If you have any questions, please contact Delores Trotter, telephone: (586) 574-8397, e-mail: trotterd@tacom.army.mil.

Sincerely,

//signed/sh// Stanley L. Harms Contracting Officer