

MANUFACTURERS OF GALVANIZED  
CORRUGATED STEEL CULVERT PIPE



PHONE: 850/562-2384

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32315

P.O. BOX 4002

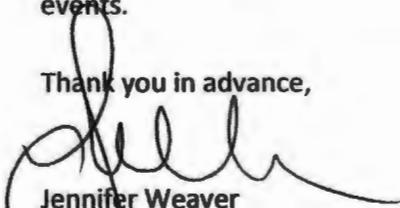
**October 14, 2021**

**Mr. Blake Smith  
Board of County Commissioners  
Columbia County  
P.O. Box 1529  
Lake City, FL 32056-1529**

**Dear Mr. Smith,**

**As we discussed yesterday during our call, steel prices have increased significantly since we submitted the annual bid on April 15, 2021. Specifically, our cost has increased approximately 50% since the bid date. This increase has been caused by inadequate supply from our steel mills due their inability to catch up to market demand following the COVID related shutdowns they endured. Steel prices are at all-time record high levels which we could not have anticipated or predicted based on historical data. We regret that we will be un-able to honor the prices listed on BID# 2021-C due to these unforeseen events.**

**Thank you in advance,**



**Jennifer Weaver  
President  
Gulf Atlantic Culvert Co., Inc.**