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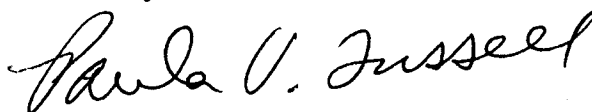
Ms. Joellen Zeh  
Staff Ecologist  
Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System  
c/o Audubon International  
46 Rarick Road  
Selkirk, NY 12158

Dear Joellen:

Enclosed in the completed Resource Packet for Phase I of the Cooperative Sanctuary designation through Audubon International. The University of Florida is excited about participating in this process and is also interested in becoming a pilot for a campus specific designation. We are doing many things to increase our already strong ecological orientation, including the implementation of many conservation and resource issues addressed in Phase I of the Cooperative Sanctuary application packet. As a national example, we are hoping to go beyond compliance by establishing best management practices for an even greater variety of ecological issues. As we begin the next phase of obtaining the distinction of becoming a Cooperative Sanctuary member, we would appreciate your assistance in identifying specific issues that would be important to address in this process.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to work with you in providing an even greater stewardship roll on our Campus. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Paula Varnes Fussell  
Associate Vice President for  
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cc: Ecology, Conservation, and Stewardship Committee

