



October 6, 2023

Mr. Mo Madani  
Department of Business & Professional Regulation  
2601 Blair Stone Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Certification of Independence – Nordic I-Joists, Nordic Structures, Chibougamau,  
Quebec, Canada

Dear Mr. Madani:

This is to certify that APA – The Engineered Wood Association, as an approved test laboratory (TST2513), third-party quality assurance agency (QUA2521), validation entity (VAL3120), and Product Evaluation Entity (EVL13671) by the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation, does not, nor intend to, acquire a financial interest in Nordic Structures, Chibougamau, Quebec, Canada. Furthermore, APA – The Engineered Wood Association is a non-profit trade association, which is not owned, operated, or controlled by Nordic Structures.

Please contact me if there are any questions concerning this certification of independence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Borjen Yeh", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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