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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: OpTex Inc. Certificate No. 4686

Dear Ms. Bayo:

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Please advise the undersigned or Michael L. Johnson, President, OpTex, Inc., 4880 Blazer Parkway, Dublin, Ohio, 43017 if turther information is required by this Commission regarding Claremont's acquisition of OpTex. Please date stamp the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to the undersigned in the stamped, self-addressed envelope provided. Thank you

Very truly yours,

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