Farm Structure Affidavit for Agricultural Use Only

GREENVILLE COUNTY

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Property Owner	Tax Map No		Date
Address	City	State	Zip
Email	Phone		
Permit Number	Date of Issuance		

This Property meets the criteria of South Carolina Code of Laws Statute Section 12-43-230 and Section 12-43-220(d)(1) and is a working farm. It falls under the Greenville County Land Use Classification of 9170 Agricultural Vacant, 9171 Agricultural Improved or 1101 Residential Single Family with Auxiliary Use; whereas the Auxiliary Use shall be Agricultural. The proposed farm structure meets the criteria of South Carolina Code of Laws Statute Section 6-9-65. I understand the purpose of signing this affidavit is to be exempt from the Building Code Requirements that regulate Construction; therefore the structure can only be used as a farm structure.

Structure Purposed Use			
	Building Official (signature)		
Signature of Owner		Date	
Print Name			
Notary	Expiration	Date	



6-9-65 Regulation of construction or improvement of farm structure: authority to issue building permits.

- A. For purposes of this section, "farm structure" means a structure which is constructed on a farm, other than a residence, or a structure attached to it, for use on the farm including, but not limited to, barns, sheds, and poultry houses, but not public livestock areas. For purposes of this section, "farm structure" does not include a structure originally qualifying as a "farm structure" but later converted to another use.
- B. The governing body of a county or municipality may not enforce that portion of nationally recognized building code it has adopted which regulates the construction or improvement of a farm structure. The standards published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for National Flood Insurance Program shall apply.
- C. The provisions of this section do not apply unless before constructing a farm structure the person owning the property on which the structure is to be constructed files an affidavit with the county or municipal official responsible for enforcing the building code stating the structure is being constructed as a farm use structure. The affidavit must include a statement of purpose or intended use of the proposed structure or addition.
- D. This section does not affect the authority of the governing body of a county or municipality to issue building permits before the construction or improvement of a farm structure.

(As per Senate Bill 236, Standard Building Code Act)

Greenville County Codes position: Any structure constructed under this exception is exempt from code enforcement. However, a Structure built under the exemption and converted for any reason to another use (residential, mercantile, business, assembly, institutional, industrial, factory, storage-nonfarm) would be in violation of State Law and Greenville County Code and must be first brought up to the present minimum requirement of the current technical building codes.