

# The Charleston Arborist Company

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Alex McKeller  
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Dear Mr McKeller,

**\*\*Evaluation of Two Trees on 2620 Atlantic Avenue, Sullivan's Island\*\***

This evaluation assesses two trees located on 2620 Atlantic Avenue, Sullivan's Island. The first tree is a *Celtis laevigata* (Sugarberry/Hackberry) with a diameter at base height (DBH) of 16 inches. It is situated under utility wires on the Ion Avenue side of the property (GPS coordinates: 32.76563°N, 79.82803°W). The utility company has heavily pruned this tree, resulting in the removal of the main leader below the wires. However, one limb is now hazardous and hangs over the road. The tree is growing in an area infested with invasive vines, which have covered and weighed down the canopy, hindering canopy growth and compromising the trunk's structure.

The second tree evaluated is a *Juniperus virginiana* (Eastern red cedar) with a DBH of 16 inches. It is situated in a similar area along the property line on the Ion Avenue side (GPS coordinates: 32.76558°N, 79.82796°W). This tree is situated between a Southern pecan and a live oak. Significant damage is evident on the west side of the trunk, with a major leader having broken off, causing the tree to grow in a deformed manner. The

area is also covered in invasive vines and shrubs that have encroached upon large sections of the tree, causing weight-related damage to limbs and the entire structure.

Based on the extensive damage caused by utility pruning and invasive vine growth, it is my professional opinion as an ISA-Certified Arborist and Tree Risk Assessor that both trees should be removed.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ary Fun". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ary" and the last name "Fun" clearly distinguishable.

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