As discussed at the October 1 Board Meeting, RAMCO is scheduled to mulch each property in Palermo starting October 29th, weather permitting. Plans are for each home to receive approximately 150 cubic feet of cocoa brown mulch to top dress all planting beds. This is the same quantity of mulch provided to each home last year.

If you prefer to install your own mulch and just have the bags delivered to your driveway, please let Brian Rivenbark at Sunstate know as soon as possible (<u>brian@sunstatemanagement.com</u>). Further, if you prefer not to have any mulch delivered or installed, similarly please let Brian know (note Venetian requires all homes to have three inches of mulch in all bed locations).

Note, based on our experience last year, we plan to have a Board or Landscape Committee Member monitoring the mulch installation with the hope of ensuring that driveways and walkways are left in good condition following the installation. We will instruct the mulch installers to try to be more careful about piling too much mulch near tree/bush roots.

Finally, as some homes have slightly more SF of planting beds than others if you would like to purchase, at your own cost, incremental mulch from RAMCO to be left on your driveway, but not installed, at a cost of \$3.75 (including tax) per 3 cubic foot bag, please let Brian know by email as soon as possible, and forward a check for the number of bags requested, times \$3.75 per bag, to be received by Brian, no later than, Monday, October 22nd. Checks should be made out to **Palermo POA** and sent to:

Sunstate Association Management Group PO Box 18809 Sarasota, FL 34276

Any extra mulch ordered will be placed on homeowner's driveway on the day of mulching. Each homeowner is responsible for securing the delivered mulch and the Association or RAMCO will take no responsibility for any misappropriation of the mulch delivered.