U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCOPING MEETING
FOR THE SAND ROCK MILL PROJECT TO BE LOCATED
IN CAMPBELL COUNTY, WYOMING
CONOCO, INCORPORATED
DOCKET NO. 40-8743

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the regulations of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 10 CFR Part 51, Conoco, Incorporated has filed an application and an environmental report for a source material license for the construction and operation of the Sand Rock Mill Project located in Campbell County, Wyoming. The proposed project involves processing 3000 tons of ore per day in an acid leach, solvent extraction circuit. The project is located approximately 70 miles northeast of Casper, Wyoming in the southwest Powder River Basin.

The application and environmental report are available for public inspection and copying at the Commission Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20555. Copies of the environmental report are also being made available at the State Planning Coordinator, Office of the Governor, 2320 Capitol Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 and Fremont County Public Library, 451 North Second, Lander, Wyoming.

The Commission's staff intends to prepare a Draft Environmental Statement on the proposed project which is expected to be available March 1, 1981. The principle alternatives currently planned to be considered include alternatives of siting, waste management methods, energy sources, and the alternative of no licensing action.

The scoping process will include a meeting to be held in the Hilton Inn, 800 Union Boulevard, Casper, Wyoming at 7:30 p.m. on October 16, 1980. This meeting will provide for a briefing of interested parties concerning the proposed action and alternatives and opportunity for comment on the scope of the proposed statement. The participation of the public and all interested government agencies is invited. Copies of this notice will be mailed to all federal, state, and local agencies and other interested persons. Written comments concerning the scope of the proposed statement will be accepted until October 31, 1980.

Questions and/or written comments about the proposed action, DEIS, or scoping meeting should be directed to Ms. Kathleen Hamill, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Division of Waste Management, Mail Stop 483-55, Washington, DC 20555, phone (301) 427-4546.

Dated at Silver Spring, Maryland, this 29th day of August, 1980.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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