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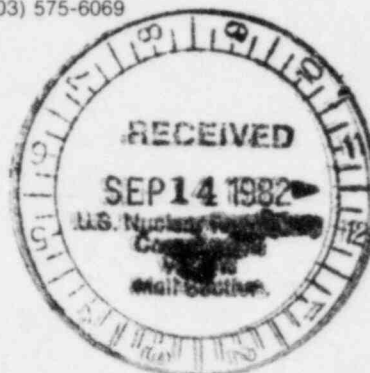
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Re: Request that Land Control of the Pit 35N Area be Covered by
Future License Condition - Sand Rock Mill Project - NRC
Docket No. 40-8743

Dear Mr. Fleming:

In Conoco's July 1980 Environmental Report, the aspect of control/
ownership of the permanent tailings disposal area (Pit 35N) was
recognized on page(s) 1-5, 5-50 and 9-7. In the March 1982 DES,
the NRC has mentioned the issue on page(s) viii (6b), 4-49 (4.6.2)
and 4-52 (4.8.1.1).

Since May of this year, Conoco and the NRC have discussed the topic
on numerous occasions. Conoco currently has agreements with the
landowner with options to purchase certain portions of the "surface"
in Section 35 and negotiations are underway to obtain options in
the remainder of Section 35. The NRC has been unable to advise
Conoco as to the extent (depth) of ownership control necessary in
the Pit 35N area.

Due to uncertainties involved, Conoco requests that this issue be
treated as a license condition to be resolved prior to mill startup.

Your prompt attention to this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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