



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Padre Island National Seashore
P. O. Box 181300
Corpus Christi, Texas 78480-1300



IN REPLY REFER TO:

L 3025 (PAIS)

December 4, 2003

Mr. Howard Wilson
Novus-USA
P. O. Box 52506
Lafayette, LA 70505-2506

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RE: Temporary Access Permit

Dear Mr. Wilson:

The Non-Federal Oil and Gas Rights Regulations, 36 CFR 9.38 (a) (1), state that the Regional Director may approve access on, across, or through federally-owned or controlled lands or waters for the purpose of collecting basic information necessary to enable timely compliance with these regulations.

On December 3, 2003, Padre Island National Seashore received a request for a temporary permit allowing Belaire Environmental on behave of Novus-USA to conduct the gathering of information for purposes of preparing a Plan(s) of Operations for well(s) in the park. This permit will begin on the date of this letter and be in effect for a period of 45 days. The permit is contingent on there being no measurable environmental damage, and/or no new or additional surface disturbance to the park. Survey personnel will be required to have a copy of this letter with them while working in the park.

As per your letter, "surveying and scouting operations for the purpose of gathering information for preparation of one or more Plan of Operations will be conducted by personnel on foot when traversing areas other than marked paved roads or the beach."

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact Arlene Wimer, of my staff, at (361) 949-8173, extension 224. Additionally, prior to surveying in the park, please contact Ms. Wimer.

Sincerely,

Darrell L. Echols
Acting Superintendent

cc:
Charlie Belaire, Belaire Environmental, Inc.
Linda Dansby, NPS-IMSF
Carol McCoy, NPS-GRD

