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Memorandum

To: Superintendent, Padre Island National Seashore

From : Director, Intermountain Field Area

Subject: Temporary Operating Permit to Enron Oil and Gas Company for the Continuing Operation of the South Sprint Temporary Fieldwide Gas Unit Well #1, Well #2, Well #3, and Associated Gas Facilities.

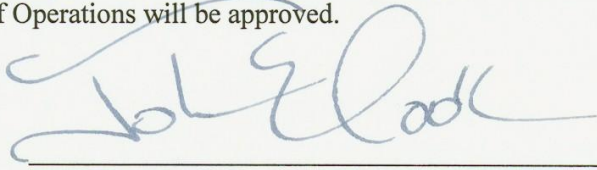
Please advise Enron Oil and Gas Company, that on this date, I hereby grant a 120-day permit to continue operation of the South Sprint Temporary Fieldwide Gas Unit Well #1, Well #2, Well #3, and associated gas facilities formerly owned and operated by Amoco Production Company. This permit will expire 120 days from this date. This permit is contingent upon the following conditions:

1. Operations must be properly signed;
2. The release of any fluids, i.e., oil or brine, is not permitted;
3. No additional surface disturbance is permitted; and
4. Within 60 days from this date, the operator is required to submit a substantially complete Plan of Operations to the Superintendent.

I delegate to you the authority to grant additional 60-day extensions, not to exceed 6 months, during which time the Plan of Operations will be approved.

OCT 31 1996

Date


John E. Cook, Director, Intermountain Field Area

Paul Eubank via
fax 11/5/96

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Enron has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated October 11, 1996, with Amoco Production Company which provides for assignment of all of Amoco's interest in the South Sprint Gas Field. The transfer of ownership is projected to occur on or about October 31, 1996, with an effective date of October 1, 1996. The change in ownership would triggered the requirement to prepare a Plan of Operations. Enron has request for a temporary operating permit to continue the operations that includes the information requirement identified in 36 CFR 9.38(a)(2). I recommend that Enron Oil and Gas Company be granted an initial 120-day temporary operating permit. Within 60 days from the effective date of the permit, the operator will be required to submit an initial substantially complete Plan of Operations.

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