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Consultation No. 2-11-97-I-067

Dear Mr. McCrary:

This responds to your request of December 5, 1996, for our concurrence with AMOCO Production Company's approach to handling endangered species and minimizing impacts to natural resources on the South Sprint Fieldwide Gas Unit. The proposed plan includes the installation of secondary containment structures, removal of produced water and condensate from the park facilities by tanker trucks, and the installation of a "hospital muffler" to reduce noise impacts.

The Service concurs that the type of activities described above will not adversely affect endangered or threatened species or natural resources. We commend AMOCO on their conscientious efforts to comply with Federal requirements and the preservation of natural resources.

On page 1 of the Reclamation Plan (Appendix F) in the Plan of Operations manual provided to this office, it was stated that removal of equipment and subsequent restoration and revegetation will be performed upon cessation of operations at the facility. The Service is interested in the application of revegetation projects along the Texas coast as well as other disturbed areas. We would like to receive any reports on the grass monitoring program.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact our office at (512) 994-9005.

Sincerely,

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