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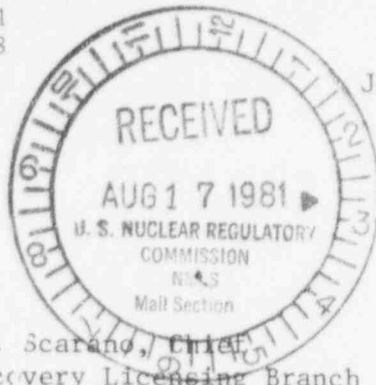
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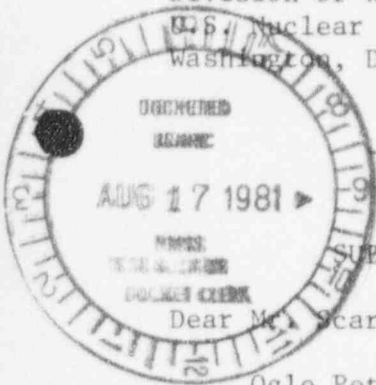
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Mr. Ross A. Scarano, Chief  
Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch  
Division of Waste Management  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555



RE: Bison Basin Project  
License No. SUA-1396  
Docket No. 40-8745

SUBJECT: Administrative Amendment Request

Dear Mr. Scarano:

Ogle Petroleum Inc. (OPI) herewith submits an administrative amendment request in connection with License Condition No. 71 of Source Material License No. SUA-1396. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$150 to cover the cost of this amendment request.

License Condition No. 71 pertaining to this request is presented below:

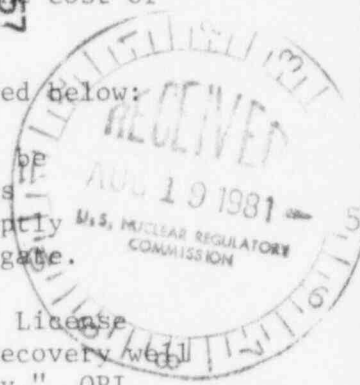
The flow rate in each injection and recovery well in use shall be monitored continuously and read at least twice daily. Readings indicative of a potential loss-of-flow situation shall be promptly brought to the attention of the facilities manager or his delegate.

This amendment request specifically pertains to the portion of License Condition No. 71 that states "The flow rate in each injection and recovery well in use shall be monitored continuously and read at least twice daily." OPI requests, through this amendment, that this portion of License Condition No. 71 be modified to read "The flow rate in each injection and recovery well in use shall be monitored continuously and read at least once daily."

As you know, OPI's Final Environmental Statement describes the first mining unit as having about 90 recovery wells and 169 injection wells for a total of 259 wells covering an 11.6-acre area. On July 14, 1981, OPI submitted to the NRC a mine plan amendment request to include additional ore reserves in the first mining unit. Under this revised mine plan, the number of recovery and injection wells will increase to 171 and 300 wells, respectively, for a total of 471 wells in Mining Unit No. 1. The area of Mining Unit No. 1 will also increase from 11.6 acres to a total of 29 acres.

OPI is committed to monitoring the flow rates of each recovery and injection well in the wellfield and feels that reading the flow rate at each well once daily will be sufficiently adequate to detect any possible loss-of-flow

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situation in a timely fashion. Due to the large number of recovery and injection wells (259) contained within Mining Unit No. 1, it would be extremely time consuming for operator personnel to read and record the flows of each individual well twice a day. The Bison Basin mine site is also subject to severe winter weather conditions which would significantly increase the time required to monitor each individual well twice a day.

OPI is confident that a daily reading of flows of each recovery and injection well in the wellfield in conjunction with hourly readings in the processing plant of total production and injection flows will provide adequate and timely detection of a loss-of-flow situation which may develop in the wellfield.

The OPI staff has verbally discussed this request with the NRC staff on several occasions. Please contact me at our Casper office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

OGLE PETROLEUM INC.

  
Glenn J. Catchpole, Vice President  
and Uranium Project Manager

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