

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION IV

345 COURTLAND STREET, N.E. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30365

DEC 28 1992

4APT-AEB

RECEIVED

DEC 3 1 1992

Division of Air Resources Management

Mr. Clair H. Fancy, P.E., Chief Bureau of Air Regulation Florida Department of Environmental Regulation Twin Towers Office Building 2600 Blair Stone Road Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

RE: Seminole Fertilizer Corporation, Bartow, Florida

(PSD-FL-191)

Dear Mr. Fancy:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your preliminary determination and draft Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit for the above referenced facility by your letter dated November 20, 1992. The proposed major modification to the existing facility consists of increasing the production rate at each of three sulfuric acid plants. As discussed between Mr. Cleve Holladay of your staff and Mr. Lew Nagler of my staff on December 14, 1992, we have the following comment related to the revised air quality analysis:

Our previous comment about the state needing to take some action to assure Class I increment protection is no longer required since sulfuric acid plant No. 3 may be omitted from the modeling analysis. Reductions in SO_2 and H_2SO_4 mist emissions will result from the shutdown of sulfuric acid plant No. 3. The revised analysis indicates a zero impact on the Class I Area. Increases in either SO_2 or H_2SO_4 mist emissions will not result in either a significant monitoring or air quality impact. No additional air quality analysis is required.

We also agree with your determination that double absorption process technology and high efficiency mist eliminators represent BACT for SO₂ and H₂SO₄ mist emissions, respectively.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this package. If you have any questions concerning modeling or monitoring, please contact Mr. Lew Nagler of my staff at (404) 347-5014. Any other questions may be directed to Mr. Stan Kukier of my staff also at (404) 347-5014.

Sincerely yours,

Jewell A. Harper, Chief Air Enforcement Branch

Air, Pesticides, and Toxics

Management Division