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

Dear Mr. Fancy:

As a followup to our April 10, 1992, letter regarding Agrico Chemical Company's (Agrico) Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) application to modify their South Pierce sulfuric acid production facility, I have received and reviewed the additional increment modeling analysis performed by Agrico's consultant. I am now satisfied that the increased emissions from the proposed modification will not contribute significantly to the modeled 24-hour sulfur dioxide increment violations at the class I Chassahowitzka Wilderness Area (WA). Therefore, I do not oppose your issuance of the Agrico permit.

We look forward to meeting with you and the Environmental Protection Agency soon to discuss the increment problems at the Chassahowitzka WA. I am confident that together we will be able to develop a mutually agreeable strategy to deal with this issue. If you have any further questions regarding our comments on the Agrico application, please call Tonnie Maniero of our Air Quality Branch in Denver at 303/969-2071.

Sincerely yours,

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