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Mr. A. A. Linero, P.E.  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
Mail Station 5500  
2600 Blair Stone Road  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

Dear Mr. Linero:

Thank you for sending the preliminary determination and draft prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) permit for IMC Phosphates MP, Inc., dated May 31, 2002. The existing IMC Phosphates facility is located in Mulberry (Polk County), Florida and manufactures sulfuric, phosphoric, and superphosphoric acids. The preliminary determination proposes to increase production rates at sulfuric acid plants nos. 1, 2 and 3 to 3,400 tons per day each. Production increases will be accomplished by upgrading and/or replacing existing plant equipment. Total net emissions increases from the proposed project are above the thresholds requiring PSD review for nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), and sulfuric acid mist.

Based on our review of the PSD permit application, preliminary determination and draft PSD permit, we do not have any comments regarding this proposed project. If you have any questions, please direct them to Art Hofmeister at 404-562-9123.

Sincerely,

Gregg M. Worley  
Chief  
Air Permits Section