

## Department of Environmental Protection

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August 7, 2000

## CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. M. A. Daigle, General Manager IMC Phosphates Company P.O. Box 2000 Mulberry, FL 33860-1100

Re: Extension Request/DEP File No. 1050059-024-AC (PSD-FL-244)

Dear Mr. Daigle:

The Department reviewed your request dated July 21, 2000 to extend the expiration date of the construction permit from September 30, 2000 to September 30, 2001. The reasons given for the extension request are that "the initial startup has been problematic and normal operating conditions have not been achieved. Efforts to reach these levels continue."

Per Rule 62-4.080(3), F.A.C., an extension for a construction permit shall be granted if the applicant can demonstrate reasonable assurances that upon completion, the extended permit will comply with the standards and conditions required by applicable regulation.

We already have fairly extensive information about the facility and the control equipment. To complete the reasonable assurance requirement allowing extension of the permit, please submit the following information:

- 1. List the tasks to be performed to achieve "normal operating conditions" and the approximate dates for completing those tasks.
- 2. Identify additional production and emission testing that needs to be conducted and provide estimated dates for completion of those tasks.
- 3. Provide a statement (and basis for believing) that the facility will comply with applicable regulation.

According to Rule 62-4-080(3), the permit will remain in effect until final action is taken by the Department. Permit applicants are advised that Rule 62-4.055(1), F.A.C. now requires applicants to respond to requests for information within 90 days. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call John Reynolds at 850/921-9536.

Sincerely,

A. A. Linero, P.E. Administrator

New Source Review Section

Cc: Bill Thomas, DEP SWD Jeff Spence, Polk County ESD

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