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Attention: Mr. Jack Giberson

Re: Florence Hunter Estate property, Whitepoint, Texas

Dear Mr. Giberson:

After consulting with the heirs of the Florence Hunter estate in connection with the captioned matter, I have been instructed to request from your office a letter confirming that the State of Texas does not assert any claim to the land formerly in controversy.

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I appreciate the manner in which you and your staff have handled this matter. If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to call me.

Very truly yours,

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I. Randolph S. King, County Surveyor of San Patricio County, Texas, hereby Certify that I have relocated the natural (Original) shoreline along the 1.4 M.S.L contour and to the best of my knowledge there is no artificial fill along said Shoreline other than is designated on this map, see my report under separate cover for Complete detail of this survey, this the 3rd day of August, 1979.

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August 3, 1979

Mr. Bob Armstrong, Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas 78710

Dear Sir;

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In compliance with requirements prescribed by the General Land Office for surveys of the shoreline along Coastal Fublic Lands, I submit the following survey report:

1. <u>Subject</u> - Survey of shoreline between Florence Hunter Estate 265.833 acre tract and Nueces Bay, 12 miles south and slightly east of Sinton, San Patricio County, Texas.

2. <u>Method</u> - Elevations were run from U.S.C. & G. B.M. Triangulation Station "White Foint 1934", to determine the 1.0 ft. contour along the shoreline. In my estimation this contour did not represent the true shoreline. The 1.4 ft. contour followed the vegetation and natural shoreline very closely so this was the contour (1.4 ft.) elevation) I used on this survey. The southeast wind off the Gulf of Mexico tends to push the water into Nueces Bay causing the tides to be higher than average.

"Section A" as designated on survey plat conforms with the shoreline as determined in Judgment Cause No. 62,980, The State of Texas vs. White Foint Oil & Gas Company, et al, filed the 6th day of March 1940, in the office of the Clerk, District Courts, Travis County, Texas.

It was found that the Beginning Point as described in said Judgment, calls for the common corner of State Tracts 683, 686, 688 & 975, however this corner does not correspond with the common corner of said tracts as shown on the General Land Office Map, State of Texas Submerged Lands, Nueces Bay and Adjoining Areas, dated October 15, 1946. The information on the General Land Office Map supersedes previous maps and surveys of this area, therefore the Beginning Point of said Judgment and the most westerly point of "Section A" as designated on my map is not the common corner of said State Tracts as designated on the General Land Office Map.

3. <u>Artificial Fill</u> - The area of artificial fill shown on the survey plat represents the area used for a dock by the Fhillips Fetroleum Oil Co., which has a small plant on the point. I re-established the original shoreline in this area from a survey made for the Phillips Petroleum Flant before the dock was built. 4. Accretion - There is a large area of accreted land along the west side of the tract surveyed, approximately 600 feet wide, beginning at the Fhillips Flant extending west and north to the north line of said tract. This area is covered with salt grass with scattered bare spots. It is my opinion this accretion has occured naturally from erosion of the adjacent lands.

5. <u>Development of Area</u> - There has been no development in the area other than the Phillips Flant and drillsites for wells. The area is used for farming (what is suitable) the rest is covered with brush or salt grass.

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R. S. King

County Surveyor San Patricio County, Texas

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To: Mr. Jack Giberson, Chief Clerk From: Robert D. Turpin, Director Surveying Subject: Land between Florence Hunter Estate (White Point) and Nueces Bay.

As I understand the attorneys and heirs of Mrs. Hunter's Estate claim that 65 to 70 acres of "mud flats" lying between the bluff and the water on the west side of the Hunter tract is accretion and therefore a part of their land. This memo is to summarize facts (as I understand them) with relation to surveys and aerial photographs covering this area.

(1) In 1979 Randy King, County Surveyor, San Patricio County ran a survey line along elevation 1.4 ft. (MSL) which is the line to which the Hunter heirs claim. (See plat and letter report from Mr. King to Commissioner Armstrong.)

(2) In February and March 1980 James E. Mortensen, Roy Molina and Preston Connally of this office traversed the area in question. (See attached memo from Roy Molina.) Our field party did not find points between the bluff and the 1.4 ft. contour that were lower than 1.4 ft. However, there may be "pot holes" at a lower elevation.

(3) In March 1984 I examined aerial photographs of the area taken in 1930, 1939, 1956 and 1982. Although there is a line of separation between the upland (at the bluff) and the land in question due to a lack of vegetation along this line, the elevations along this line are above 1.4 ft.

(4) We have no data in the Nueces Bay area on which to base a mean high water elevation.

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MEMO

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(5) On April 11, 1984 Roy Molina, Herman Forbes and I flew over this area and later met with Randy King and Jim Naismith (representatives of the Hunter interests). We walked over the area in question and discussed procedures which had been used both by Mortensen and King.

We observed a noticeable change in vegetation type and a small berm (3 or 4 inches high) along the shore which coincides with the 1.4 ft. contour line located by Randy King.

The above facts lead me to the following conclusions:

1. An elevation of 1.4 ft. is a reasonable value for mean high water in this area. An elevation less than 1.4 ft. might be acceptable. (see Randy King's report.) To verify any water elevation would require one or more gauging stations observed over an extended period of time.

2. The elevation values found by King and Mortensen would lead to the conclusion that the area is not now an island.

3. The area (taken in total) is not below 1.4 ft. and therefore not below mean high water.

4. The small berm coinciding with the 1.4 ft. contour line has been found to coincide with mean high water as given by NOAA on San Jose and Matagorda Islands.

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cc: Herman Forbes Roy Molina

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THENCE along North line of this tract East 1966.5' to Southeast corner of said "Oil Lands" and 2561.3' in all to a fence post for the northeast corner of this survey;

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SUBJECT: White Point, San Patricio County, Shoreline between the Florence Hunter Estate and Nueces Bay

SURVEYED: February and March 1980

BY:

James E. Mortensen; Chain Carriers: Roy Molina and Preston Connally

REPORT:

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