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Information Officer
Research and Special Programs Administration
Department of Transportation, Room 7128
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Hard Copy Submittal of Data Regarding
Underwater Abandoned DOT Oil & Gas Pipelines

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Attached is a table with the location, diameter, date of abandonment, and method of abandonment, of the abandoned oil and natural gas pipelines subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation (DOT) which cross over, under or through a commercially navigable waterway and which were last operated by:

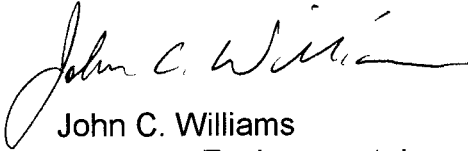
- (1) Freeport Interstate Pipeline Company,
- (2) Freeport Minerals Company,
- (3) Freeport-McMoRan Sulphur LLC,
- (4) McMoRan Oil & Gas Co.,
- (5) McMoRan Oil & Gas LLC and
- (6) McMoRan Pipeline Company.

McMoRan Exploration Co., as successor to or parent of the above companies, hereby certifies that, to the best of our knowledge, we have provided all of the requested information that is reasonably available about the subject abandoned pipeline facilities and, to the best of our knowledge, these abandoned pipeline facilities were abandoned in accordance with all applicable State and Federal requirements in effect at the time of their abandonment.

Also attached, following the table, are plats depicting the pipelines described in the table.

If you need any further information, please contact Mr. John Seip at 504-582-4314.

Sincerely,



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Attachments

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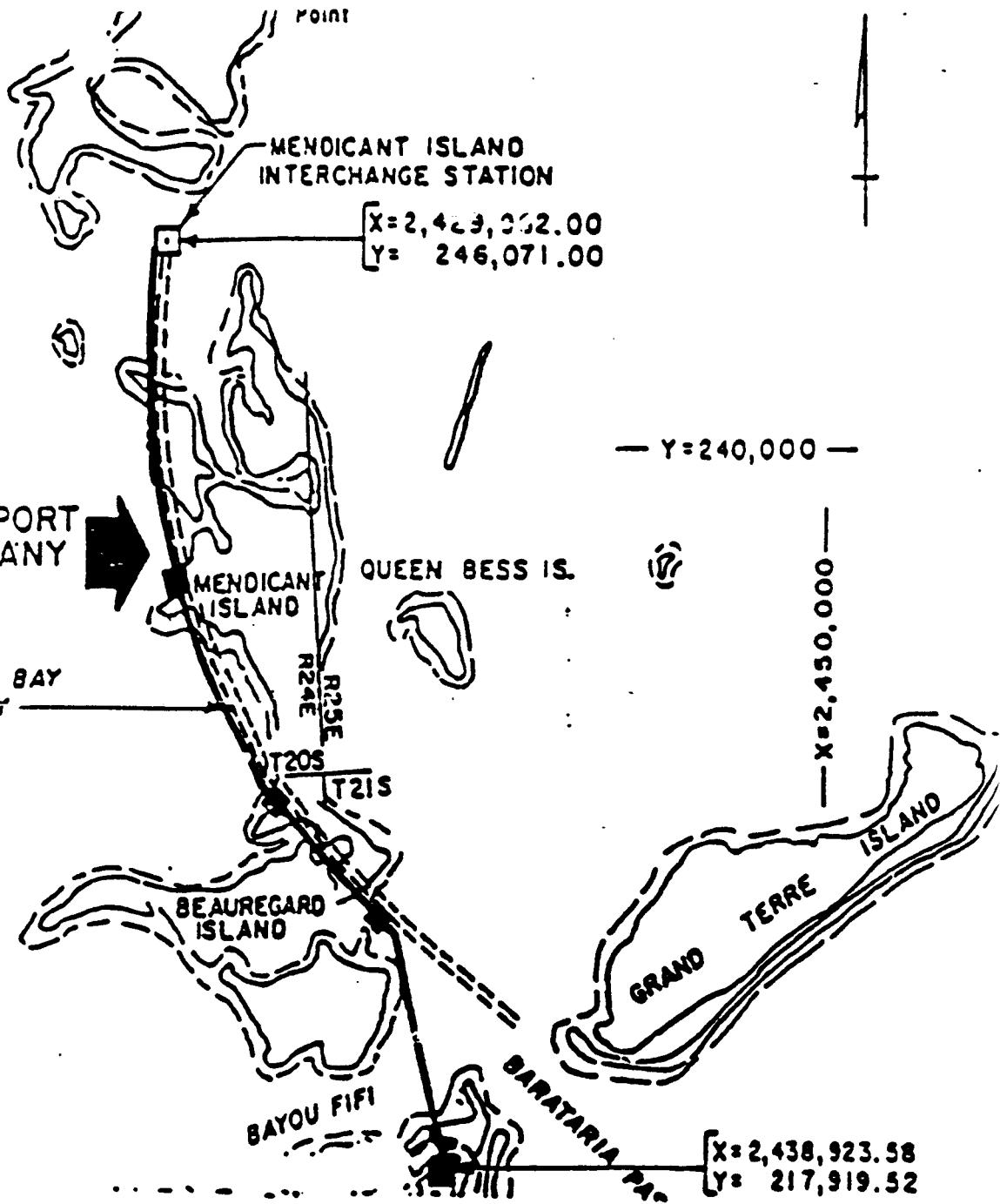
Pipeline Name	Location	Diameter	Date of Abandonment	Method of Abandonment
Mendicant Island to Grand Isle Base	<u>POB</u> : Lat. 29°20'10.75" N, Long. 89°59'02.62"W; <u>POE</u> : Lat. 29°15'49.03"N, Long. 89°57'30.14"W; Barataria Bay, Jefferson Parish, LA	6"	September 11, 2000	Abandoned in place*
Grand Isle Base to Caminada Mine	<u>POB</u> : Lat. 29°15'49.03"N, Long. 89°57'30.14"W; <u>POE</u> : Lat. 29°08'00.46"N, Long. 89°59'27.62"W; Gulf of Mexico, Jefferson Parish, LA (MMS Segment No. 5282)	5-9/16"	September 1, 2000	Abandoned in place*
Vermilion 25 FP to Vermilion 16 F/S	<u>POB</u> : 29°27'45.81"N, Long. 92°23'58.27"W, <u>POE</u> : 29°31'53.50"N, Long. 92°25'07.93"W (MMS Segment No. 5962)	6"	August 28, 1991	Abandoned in place*

*Pipeline was disconnected from source, purged, flushed, filled with seawater. Risers were cut, sand bags placed at the cut ends, and stopple installed.

EXISTING FREEPORT
PIPELINE COMPANY
6" PIPELINE

BARATARIA BAY
WATERWAY

*Final Plats
P000700
11-14-00
W*



VICINITY MAP



FREEPORT PIPELINE COMPANY

GRAND ISLE BASE

POINT "B"

PROP. LINE

S 37° 30' 03" E
1200.00

POINT "E"

X: 2,438,923.58
Y: 217,919.52

S 12° 42' 00" W
40,000.00

*Final Plat
P000701
11-14-00*

INTERSECTION
X: 2,429,310.70
Y: 175,314.00

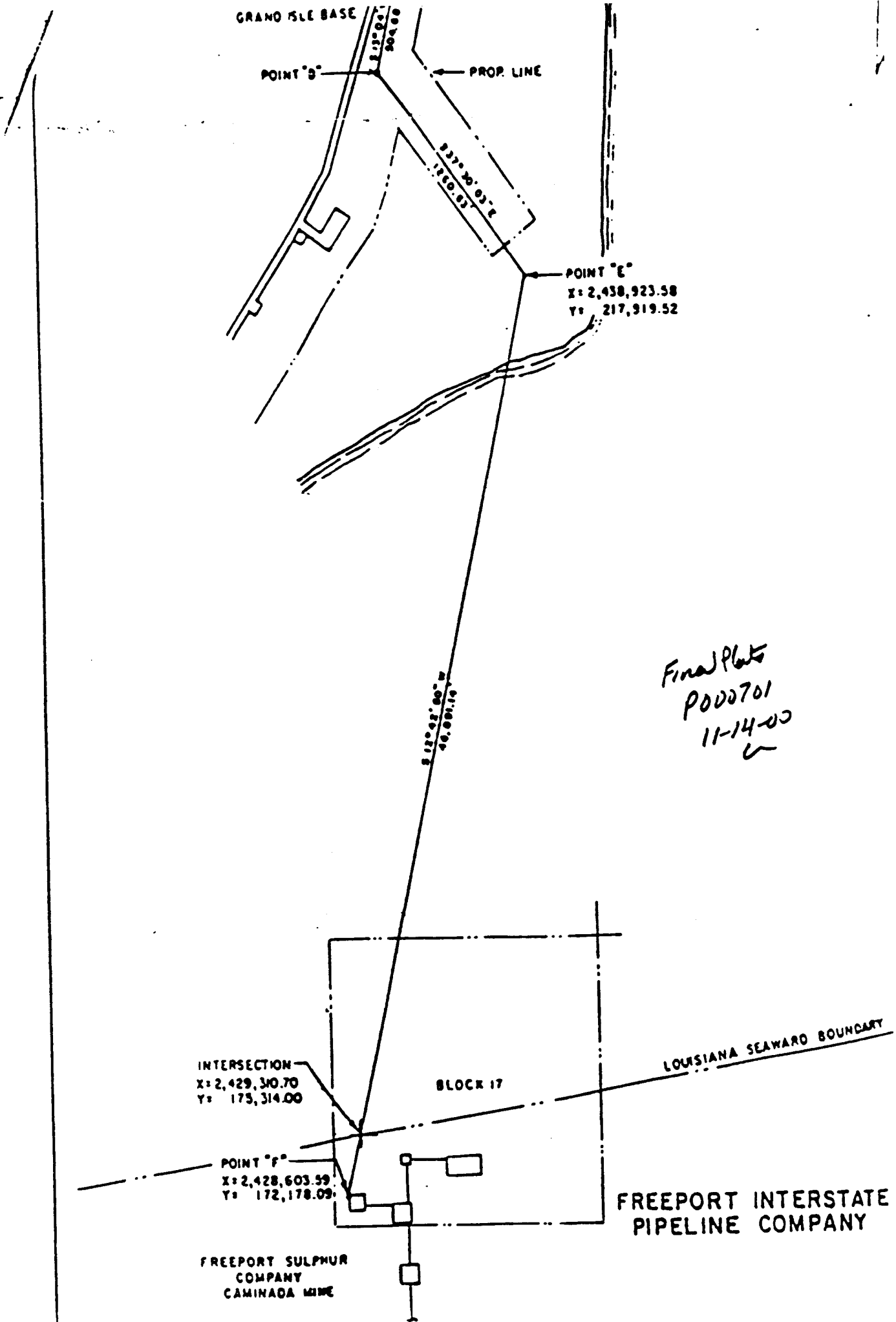
BLOCK 17

LOUISIANA SEAWARD BOUNDARY

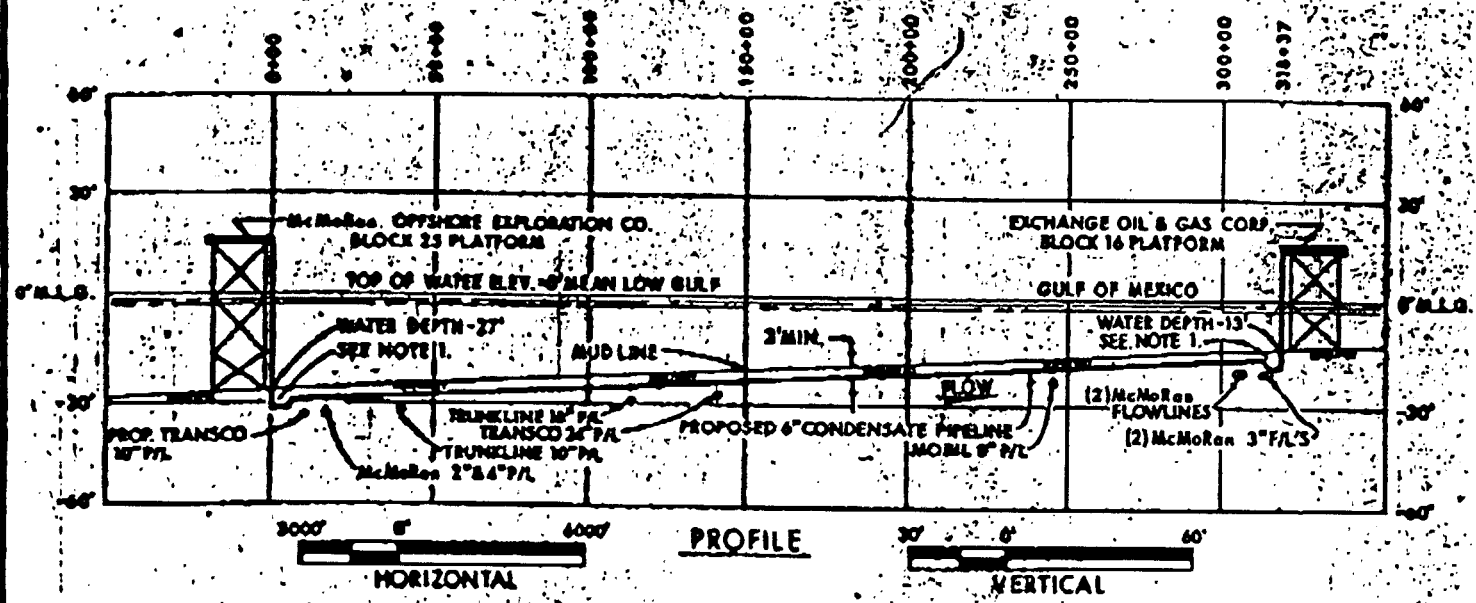
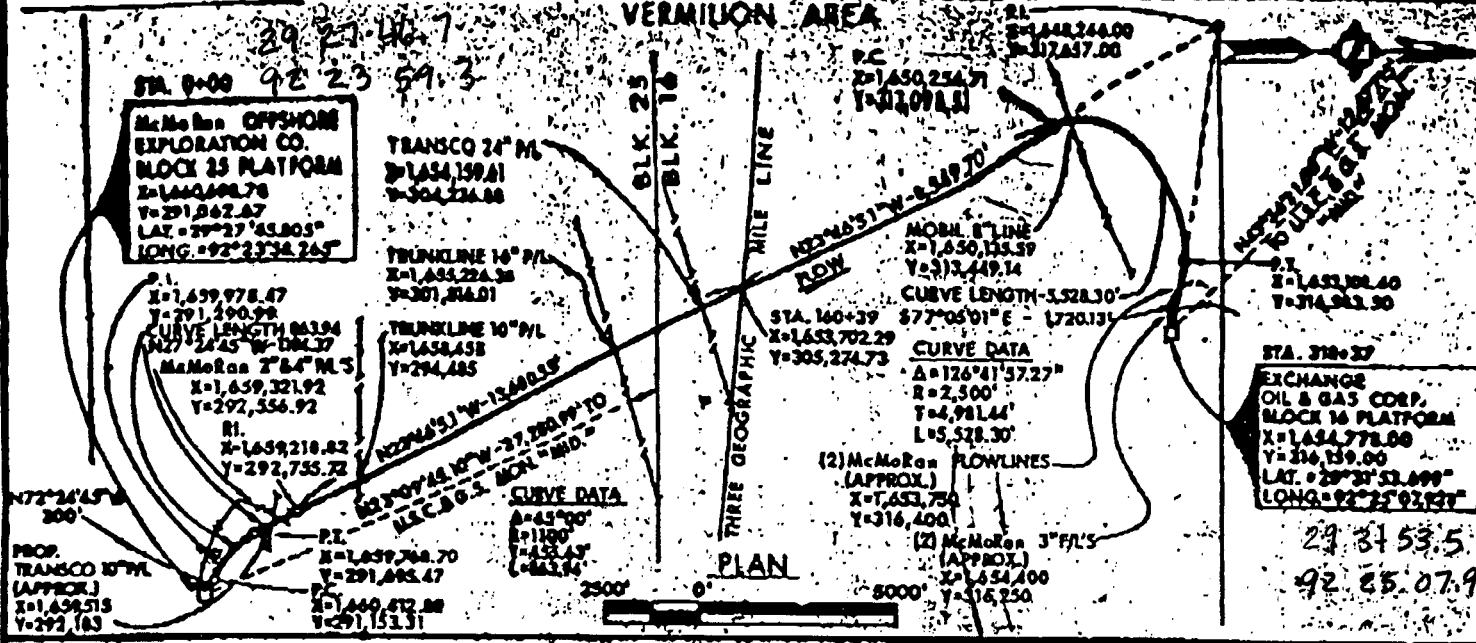
POINT "F"
X: 2,428,603.59
Y: 172,178.09

FREEPORT INTERSTATE
PIPELINE COMPANY

FREEPORT SULPHUR
COMPANY
CAMINADA MINE



VERMILION AREA



**PROPOSED
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- NOTES:
1. PIPE TO BE BURIED 5' MIN. WITHIN 300' RADIUS OF PLATFORM.
 2. SPOIL FROM PIPE BURIAL TO BE DISTRIBUTED SO AS NOT TO DECREASE WATER DEPTH MORE THAN SIX INCHES.
 3. DESIGN IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 49, CFR PART 196.
 4. 16,039 FEET IN FEDERAL WATERS
 5. 15,798.13 FEET IN STATE WATERS(987.44 BODS)



REG. No. 1427
REGISTRATION

David L. Wilson

PREPARED BY
OCEANONICS INC.
HOUSTON, TEXAS - LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

DWG. CEH	DATE 8-13-80	THIS PIPELINE TO BE USED TO TRANSPORT CONDENSATE FROM BLOCK 25 TO BLOCK 16, VERMILION AREA OFFSHORE, LOUISIANA	OWNER SOUTH LOUISIANA PRODUCTION CO. INC. LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA	
SCALE AS SHOWN	APP'D.		DWG. NO. H-2953-2000	REV.
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