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November 14, 1995

Jerry A. Weant  
Stevens & Tull, Inc.  
P.O. Box 11005  
Midland, TX 79702

RE: Conoco State #1  
990'FNL & 990' FWL Sec. 16 - T20S-R33E NMPM

Dear Mr. Weant:

IMC Global Operations, Inc., has received your notification that Stevens & Tull, Inc., intends to drill the above referenced well with no salt string protection. IMC objects to this well being drilled without the salt string because of its proximity to IMC's potash reserves in section 8.

This location is approximately 3200' from our ore reserves in Section 8. An existing well - State #2, 660 FNL & 660 FWL, Sec. 16 - lies between our reserves and the proposed Conoco State #1. This existing well, however, was drilled with salt string protection. Should Conoco State #1 be drilled without salt string protection, it would pose an additional hazard to our mining operations.

IMC Global, Inc., protests drilling this well without a potash protection string.

Sincerely,

Peter N. Livingstone  
Chief Mine Engineer

cc:	William Lemay	William Calkins	Joan Florez
	Dick Manus	Walt Thayer	Tim O'Brien
	Leslie Cone	Charlie High	