

SOUTHERN ALKALI CORPORATION
Fifth Avenue At Bellefield
Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

January 9, 1948

AIR MAIL

War Assets Administration
Regional Office
7020 Franklin Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

On May 12, 1947 I wrote to Mr. John H. Morris, Chief, Industrial Real Property Division, of your office submitting in outline form for your consideration a proposal to amend the Agreement of Lease dated March 22, 1946, covering a portion of Plancor 264 at Lake Charles, Louisiana, to include in the "leased premises" the residual unleased portion of Plancor 264 under terms and conditions therein stated. Subsequently, there have been numerous discussions between representatives of Southern and of your office relative to a possible outright purchase by Southern of all or part of such unleased area. The last such discussion took place at Lake Charles on December 4, at which time, in company with Messrs. Pitcairn, Hutchison, Hultman and Clark of Southern, I met with your Messrs. Rodd, Engler and Mattson.

After a thorough examination of the property in question and a full discussion of the matters involved in its disposal by your Administration, it was agreed that we would give the matter further study and would submit to your office a formal offer to purchase the residual unleased area of Plancor 264 at a price and under terms and conditions which, in our opinion, would be fair and reasonable.

Pursuant to the above-mentioned discussions, our proposal of May 12, 1947 is hereby withdrawn and the within offer to purchase is substituted in its stead.

1. Under the terms and conditions hereinafter outlined, Southern offers to purchase the residual portion of Plancor 264, not presently included under the Lease Agreement of March 22, 1946 and not heretofore sold to Gulf States Utilities Company, at a price of \$50,000.

2. The property to be purchased is to include the land itself, approximately 13 acres, together with all brick buildings presently erected thereon, the oil storage building, the brine reservoir, the gas holder and the water well, all of which are to be left undisturbed by your Administration and transferred intact to Southern. Installations in and over which Southern now has easements under the Lease Agreement are to be transferred intact.

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