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December 12, 2001

Mr. Rick Chancellor Administrator Department of Environmental Quality - Land Quality Division Herschler Building, 3rd Floor 122 West 25th Street Cheyenne. Wyoming 82002 DEC 14 26 1

Terri A. Lorenzon, L. Botor Environmental Quality Council

RE: Request for Interim Mine Stabilization Status, Permit #12RD.

Dear Mr. Chancellor,

General Chemical (Soda Ash) Partners (GCSAP) respectively requests approval for a third, five (5) year Interim Stabilization Status for it's experimental solution mine site permitted under Research and Development Permit #12RD.

We have submitted landowner consents and an affidavit from the newspaper verifying that a notice of the renewal request was published for three consecutive weeks.

We are prepared to appear at a public hearing on December 17, 2001. Presenting the case on behalf of GCSAP will be Mr. Scott Britton, P.E. He will introduce the only witness for this case, Mr. David Scriven, P.E., an independent professional engineer working under contract for GCSAP.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Britton, P.E.

Manager, Underground Operations

CC: Terri Lorenzon, Director - Wyoming Environmental Quality Council

D. Scriven, P.E., Western States Mining Consultants

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