

nated hereunder unless the development of the oil shale therein would not adversely affect in any significant way the trona values of such lands. Any such oil shale lease shall contain terms and provisions governing the oil shale development as are adequate to fully protect and preserve the trona values of such lands.

Finally, it is urged that the proposed regulations be amended to incorporate a new provision designed as Section 3170.2 reading:

RENEWAL OF WYOMING SODIUM (TRONA) LEASES

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit, now or hereafter, in any manner whatsoever the application for and/or the granting of any renewal of any sodium lease for the mining of trona on lands located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

Although I have been assured by the representatives of the Department of Interior that there is no desire on their part nor intention to injure in any way or to withhold the mining of trona in Sweetwater County, Wyo., it is felt there by the industry, and many of us in the State, that in order to go ahead with the production of trona which is necessary in our State for our economy and for the supply of the material for the country, that these provisions should be changed and should be inserted as a change in the regulations as promulgated by the Secretary in the Federal Register.

I hope that these ideas can be considered and these changes made, and I am sure that if they are the mining of the oil shale, which will probably be in the future, will not be injured in any way but in the meantime the mining of trona can proceed in a proper and orderly manner as it should.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you, Congressman.

Any questions?

Thank you very much for your statement.

Senator HANSEN. Mr. Chairman, if I may, I would like to compliment Congressman Harrison for the very able job he does in representing Wyoming and to echo his concern as expressed in the telegram that he received from Mr. Cimino. I, too, have a copy of that wire, Congressman Harrison, and I had intended to insert it in the record. You have already done it, so I simply say that I endorse what you have said.

Mr. HARRISON. I know that our junior Senator is well aware of the problems of the State of Wyoming, and he takes the proper and necessary steps to see that those interests are protected.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you, Congressman. I appreciate your coming here.

Our next witness will be Secretary Udall.

Mr. Secretary, we are delighted to welcome you to the committee this morning to discuss this most important subject. We are delighted that you have the Solicitor, Mr. Barry, with you.

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INTERIOR, ACCOMPANIED BY FRANK BARRY, SOLICITOR, DE-
PARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Mr. UDALL. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I assure you I have enough misery where I am.

Mr. Chairman, I have a prepared statement which I shall read, and we also have available for the committee and for the record what we