

EXHIBIT K

HUMBLE OIL & REFINING CO.,
Houston, Tex., December 13, 1967.

Re channel improvements, Harbor Island Terminal.

Mr. DUANE ORR,
District Engineer, Corpus Christi Navigation District,
Corpus Christi, Tex.

DEAR MR. ORR: Your request to Mr. Leigh H. Cox, Jr., Manager of Corpus Christi District of Humble Pipe Line Company for information which would show justification for deepening the channel serving the Corpus Christi Navigation District to 45', together with specific questions on Humble's Harbor Island operation, was referred to us.

Humble's Marine Department has three 75,000 DWT tankers on order for delivery in 1969. One of these tankers will be assigned to dirty service immediately and is scheduled to load crude at Harbor Island in Mid-1969. Humble has also from time to time lifted clean products (motor gasoline and distillate) by tanker from refineries located on the Port Aransas/Corpus Christi Waterway. Deepening this channel to 45' will allow our 75,000 DWT Tankers to be fully loaded (42' 6" draft) in the Corpus Christi/Harbor Island area. Humble's Marine Department is currently updating the material originally submitted in 1965 to the American Merchants Marine Institute in support of this project. The specific questions you asked, together with our answers, are as follows:

1. The attached table shows Humble's tonnage for years 1959-1965. What was tonnage for years 1955-1958?

Answer. Both Humble Pipe Line's Accounting and Humble's Marine Department have 6-year retention dates on files. The data requested for years 1955 through 1958, therefore, are not available.

2. Over the past ten years, the tonnage has dropped. Is there an explanation for the reduction, such as new pipelines or changes in crude requirements?

Answer. Humble's Harbor Island tonnage increased from 1.8 M ST/Year in 1959 to 3.6 M ST/Year in 1963 then decreased slightly to 3.2 M ST/Year in 1965. Our tonnage increased to 4.2 M ST/Year in 1966 and is indicated to be about 3.3 M ST/Year in 1967. In previous years, some crude was shipped to our Baytown Refinery, but we now ship crude out of Harbor Island to our Bayway Refinery only. We placed into operation a 16" pipeline from Harbor Island to Baytown in December, 1966. This accounts for the reduction for 1967.

3. Would it be possible to estimate the tonnages to be shipped from Harbor Island over the next few years?

Answer. We estimate the shipment of crude from Harbor Island to our Bayway Refinery will be 2.1 M ST/Year in 1968 and 2.4 M ST/Year in 1969. Forecasts for future years are not firm at the present time but are estimated to increase 10%/Year.

If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

R. R. DIE.

EXHIBIT L

TEXAS WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION,
Austin, Tex., June 11, 1968.

Hon. JOHN CONNALLY,
Governor of Texas,
Austin, Tex.

(Attention Mr. Terrell Blodgett).

DEAR GOVERNOR CONNALLY: This will acknowledge receipt of your letter transmitting a copy of the Corps of Engineers report on the recommended improvements to the Port Aransas Corpus Christi Waterway. The Texas Water Rights Commission has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed improvements on July 2, 1968.

I am advised that the Water Development Board, the Water Quality Board, and the Parks and Wildlife Commission concur in the proposed improvements to the Port Aransas Corpus Christi Waterway. The Water Rights Commission concurs, and, unless information is presented at the public hearing which shows that the project is not in the public interest, the Commission will recommend to you that the project be approved.

Very truly yours,

F. R. BOOTH.