

In Reply

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Mr. Jarrell Southhall, Director
Department of Pollution and Ecology
8001 National Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219

Dear Mr. Southhall:

Please accept submittal of this letter as a request to operate our jug type burner with a variance for the 1980 gin season.

As you are no doubt aware, the entire state of Arkansas has been declared a disaster area by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 1980, and a share of that burden falls upon cotton gins, and other processors of agricultural products.

The situation in Lonoke County is bleak in terms of acreage to cotton, and expected production from that acreage. My estimate is 250 to 400 pounds per acre at best. The 1979 season was very bad; but the 1980 season seems in prospect, even worse.

Our gin had to borrow money to pay some of our obligations incurred in 1979; as well to effect what repairs we can afford for the coming season. It is contingent upon us to furnish our customers a place to gin, and try to pay off our debts.

With the situation outlined above, we respectfully request a variance from existing regulations to allow us to burn our gin refuse for the 1980 season.

Yours very truly,

Robert H. CarlLee

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