Mr. Art Smith Owner Top Dollar Grain Company P.O. Box 189 Rogers, Texas 76569

Re: Grain Elevator - Storage Tanks Taylor, Williamson County

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is in response to your letter dated October 19, 1998 concerning the proposed grain elevator expansion at Taylor, Williamson County. After evaluation of the information which you have furnished, we have determined that your project is exempt from the permit procedures under 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Section 106.283 if constructed and operated as described in your letter. We understand that two additional grain storage tanks equipped with gravity loadout and auger loadout (on one tank) has been added to this grandfathered grain We also understand that the additional elevator. loadout equipment will provide greater flexibility to reduce off-site impacts and that grain stored in these tanks can be oiled to help control emissions as necessary.

This exemption was authorized by the Executive Director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) pursuant to 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 106. A copy of the exemption in effect at the time of this determination is enclosed. You must operate in accordance with all requirements of the enclosed exemption.

You are reminded that regardless of whether a permit is required, these facilities must be in compliance with all rules and regulations of the TNRCC and of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at all times. Mr. Art Smith Page 2

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If you have any questions concerning this exemption, please call Mark Gibbs at (512) 239-1297 or write him at Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Permits Division (MC-162), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

Sincerely,

Victoria J. L. Hsu, P.E. Director New Source Review Permits Division

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Chris Smith, Air Program Manager, Austin

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