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SOUTH DAKOTA URANIUM ACTIVITY AUGUST 1980

CURRENT EXPLORATION PERMITS: 16
(S.D. Division of Conservation)

CORPORATION	PERMIT NUMBER	COUNTY
Silver King Mines (TVA)	EX-5	Fall River, Custer
Energy Reserves Group (renewed 8/14)	EX-21	Harding
Union Carbide	EX-31	Fall River
Chevron Resources	EX-34	Perkins
Anaconda Copper	EX-43 EX-44 EX-45 EX-46	Davison, Hanson, Mc Cook Davison, Hanson, Mc Cook, Hutchinson Hutchinson Hutchinson, Turner, Yankton
Phillips Uranium	EX-?	Minnehaha, Moody

PENDING PERMIT RENEWALS (September, 1980)

Rexcon	EX-1	Custer, Pennington
Johns-Marville	EX-2	Meade, Lawrence
American Copper and Nickel (requesting bond release-will not renew)	EX-3	Lawrence
Kerr McGee	EX-4 EX-32	Meade, Custer, Pennington Butte, Lawrence, Meade
Union Carbide	EX-25	Fall River
Wyoming Mineral	EX-26	Fall River

PENDING NEW PERMITS: 1 (Sept. 1980)

Gulf Minerals*	Custer, ?
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GROSS AREAS BEING EXPLORED UNDER CURRENT EXPLORATION PERMITS

NUMBER OF TOWNSHIPS	ACRES	SQUARE MILES
West River - 84**	West River - 1,935,360	West River - 3,024
East River - 73	East River - 1,681,920	East River - 2,628
Gulf - 4*	Gulf - 11,520*	Gulf - 18*

** 19 townships in West River have multiple permits, sometimes by same company (UCC).

* Gulf area shown in Forest Service operating plan; permit can be for more land.

FOREST SERVICE - CURRENT PLANS OF OPERATION - 1980 FOR URANIUM

Silver King Mines plans to drill up to 317 holes on 1,286 acres in their 1980 exploration program. Area involved- Chilson, Red, Craven, Bennett Canyons. SKM claims only 12 acres will be disturbed.

Union Carbide is conducting its 1980 drilling program on 650 acres in Fall River County (Craven and Red Canyon, Robinson Flats) thanks to the S.D. Division of Conservation, which let UCC "amend" its 1979 permit to add 1980 operations.

Union Carbide - Craven Canyon "adit"; plan of operations approved by Forest Service. Major excavation work halted while UCC seeks solid/hazardous waste disposal permits required by state. Also subject of federal lawsuit by B.H.A. against Forest Service.

Eugene Nellis - Plan to re-open old uranium mine in Wolf Canyon, near Edgemont, approved by Forest Service. Tried to start mining, but stopped by state which requires deep shaft and solid/hazardous waste permits. Won't start in 1980.

Gulf Minerals wants to drill 23 holes in Pleasant Valley, near Custer, from September to November 1980. Plan covers 11,520 acres but says only .9 acre disturbance will result.