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Honorable Harold L. Ickes,
 Petroleum Administrator for War,
 Washington, D.C.

Your certification for fifty thousand barrels additional oil daily to Texas Railroad Commission for March, over signature of Mr. Ralph Davies, calls for sweet oil from Major-dominated Gulf Coast. Recent Tariff Commission Report showed highest profit margins in state in that district. Other areas in Texas produce this type of oil and independent producers charge it discrimination unless able to share in market and equitable in Government-owned War Emergency Pipeline from Longview. Sufficient pipeline capacity to transport this oil to the line. Appeal to Railroad Commissioners brought answer their hands were tied under your directives. They further stated that companies asked for more oil one day from certain coastal pools, then received approval for such next day from Washington (Rather quick service for the majors. It has never happened to the Independents). Committees controlling these recommendations major-dominated and their action gradually making the independent oil producer extinct. These committees under your direction. Under your directive, Gulf Coast would have 25 percent allowable oil in Texas. Other districts shrinking and there must be relief if independent is to survive. Still it is said we are fighting the war for the liberty of our people. Just whom do they mean when they say "Our people"? Certainly not the independent oil operators. Time Marches on. So do the Majors, riding on the Government sled.

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