REPORT OF THE

NATIONAL PETROLEUM COUNCIL'S

MILITARY AND GOVERNMENT PETROLEUM REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

JULY 15, 1948

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To the Members of the Military and Government Petroleum Requirements Committee:

Gentlemen:

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This report reflects the changes in the situation regarding offers versus requirements for the military since the June 23, 1948 reports to the Committee.

A statement is attached covering cargo requirements and offers as of July 15, 1948 for the period July 1, 1948-December 31, 1948. At the bottom of the statement requirements for other than bulk cargo delivery and overall requirements are also shown in total.

Aviation Gasoline

Since the June 23rd report additional offers of 618,000 barrels of 100/130 grade have been received. However, requirements for this grade have been increased by 660,000 barrels, so that offers of 100/130 grade and 115/145 grade are still below requirements.

There is an urgent need for one additional cargo in August, and further offers are required over the balance of the period. As before, the inland area accounts for most of the shortage of offers.

Motor Gasoline

Motor Gasoline is currently the major problem. Additional offers have been received both on the West Coast and also on the Gulf/East Coast. This has improved the position by about 1,000,000 barrels and plus anticipations has achieved coverage through July. However, there is an urgent need for five cargoes in August and additional prompt offers are needed over the balance of the period since coverage is only 57%. The coverage in the Gulf/East Coast area is particularly low, and offers in this area are about 50% below those secured in the previous six months.

Diesel Oil

The Diesel oil position is essentially unchanged and additional offers are required of 702-E grade and Army Grade A for both West Coast and East/Gulf Coast and for Army low pour grade on the West Coast.

Navy Special Fuel Oil

Total coverage is 89.5% and additional offers are required both on the West Coast and Gulf/East Coast.

The Armed Services Petroleum Board representatives have stated that the need for additional motor gasoline and aviation gasoline is extremely urgent, and they hope that industry will provide prompt relief.

Very truly yours,

H. W. PAGE Acting Chairman Military and Government Petroleum Requirements Committee

Attachment

MILITARY PETROLEUM REQUIREMENTS

(As of July 15, 1948)

JULY - DECEMBER, 1948

(Thous.Bbls. 42s)

BULK DELIVERY	Total <u>Av.Gas</u>	Motor <u>Gasoline</u>	Kero- sene		Oth.Dies. <u>& Burner</u>	Navy Spec. Fuel Oil	Other Hy. Fuel Oil	
<u>WEST_COAST</u> Requirements Offers	4,635 4,697	2,000 1,300	340 -	1,325 1,170	763 290	5,930 4,442	200	14,993 12,099
<u>INALND</u> Requirements Offers	1,849 379		-	-				1,849 379
GULF/EAST COAST, CARIBBEAN Requirements Offers	/ 6,720 6,735	4,159 1,690	310 -	2,070 1,190	1,435 1,120	2,776 2,529		17,470 13,264
PERSIAN GULF Offers	~	1,206	-	4,111	-	7,819	-	13,136
TOTAL Requirements Offers % Coverage	13,204 11,811 89.5	7,365 4,196 <i>5</i> 7.0	650 	7,506 6,471 86.1	2,198 1,410 64.3	16,525 14,790 89.5	- 200 -	47,448 38,878 82.0
OTHER THAN BULK DELIVERY Requirements	687	1,231	192	1,066	2,624	1,961	5 , 863	13,624
Total Require ments	e- 13,891	8, <i>5</i> 96	842	8,572	4,822	18,486	5,863	61,072