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CRITICAL AREAS OF THE DESIGN

The most critical technical area involved in the design described in this report concerns the Texaco Coal Gasification Process. Although this process has been extensively pilot planted both at Montebello, California and at Oberhausen, Germany, the process has not yet been applied on a commercial scale. The objective of programs already underway is to provide a reliable basis for the design of a plant such as the one described herein. Among the important design parameters which can be firmly established by these programs are:

- Coal slurry concentration
- Gasifier temperature
- Preferred waste heat boiler-type and performance
- Refractory life
- Gasifier capacity
- Treatment of aqueous effluent
- Control characteristics

It is also important that the operation of centrifugal compressors in oxygen service at pressures to 1050 psig, or even higher, be demonstrated over extended periods of time.

Another critical design item is the development of a sulfur removal scheme to produce a methanol synthesis gas containing only trace amounts of sulfur to assure the longevity of the methanol synthesis catalyst. It appears that the design included herein should accomplish this objective.

A methanol specification is desired that accurately describes the needs of a turbine fuel, especially with respect to its water content. It appears that the 0.75 weight percent water included in the EPRI specification may be overly restrictive at least for those cases where the methanol is not shipped for long distances.

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CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The design prepared during this study appears to be a promising route to produce methanol from coal. The Texaco coal gasification process is well suited to gasifying Eastern bituminous coal and generating a high-pressure gas with low inerts for use as methanol synthesis gas.

Most of the steps employed in the design including shift conversion, acid gas removal, and methanol synthesis represent proven technology whose costs are well known. There are some technological uncertainties concerning the Texaco process, however, which have not yet been fully resolved. These critical questions relate to refractory life and to the design and cost of the waste heat boilers. Although the radiant section of the waste heat boiler at the 150 tpd Texaco pilot plant in Oberhausen, West Germany, has reportedly operated in a satisfactory manner, no complete waste heat boiler has yet seen service at any location, and no waste heat boiler of any kind has been operated in the United States. Before the overall scheme described in this report could be applied on a commercial scale, it is necessary that satisfactory demonstration of all the critical elements of the Texaco process be carried out. Programs already underway may provide this demonstration at an early date.

Although the Texaco process appears to be an excellent candidate for gasifying Eastern bituminous coal in the configuration described herein, it is important to keep in mind that it is less well suited to gasifying high-equilibrium moisture content coals such as lignites and some subbituminous coals. High slurry concentrations cannot be achieved with these coals but are essential in order to achieve good thermal efficiencies. Other gasification systems may be preferred for high-equilibrium moisture content coals whose slurrying characteristics make it impossible to reach high slurry concentrations.

REQUIRED METHANOL SELLING PRICES

Introduction

This section presents a calculation of the required selling prices of the methanol product. A required selling price is that required for a minimum acceptable return on common equity. The required prices are calculated using discounted cash flow methodology. In the base case, the methanol plant is assumed to be owned by a non-regulated producer and to be funded with 100% common equity capital. As a sensitivity case, the plant is assumed to be owned and operated by a regulated utility producer. Discounted cash flow rates of return to non-regulated producers when the methanol is sold at the market price of competitive fuels were also calculated. Changes in required prices with changes in plant and coal costs and other parameters were also determined.

The "base case" calculations are based in part on the following:

- Plant Location:
 - Southern Illinois Mine Mouth.
- Coal type and feed rates:
 - 16,418 short tons per day of Illinois Number 6 at design capacity; 5,393,300 short tons per year at a 90% plant capacity factor.

- Coal purchase price and heating value:
 - \$24.25 per short ton as received, mid-1980 dollars, which is equivalent to \$1.14 per million Btu higher heating value. The coal purchase price is assumed to increase at a rate of 1.0% per year over the inflation rate to account for the effect of resource depletion.
 - The higher heating value of coal as received is 21.73 million Btu per short ton, or 10,637 Btu per pound.
- The methanol production rate, expressed in several ways, is:
 - 10,927 short tons per day, at design capacity.
 - 78,450 barrels per day, at design capacity.
 - 3.295 million gallons per day, at design capacity.
 - 8.8125 billion Btu per hour (higher heating value), at design capacity.
 - 38,300 barrels per day distillate fuel oil higher heating value equivalent, at design capacity.
- The thermal efficiency of methanol production (higher heating value basis) is 57.86 per cent, not including the heating value of by-products.
- A monetary inflation rate of 10 per cent per year was used in the analysis. This rate was applied to all components of cost, e.g., capital, coal, and operating costs.
- Required returns on common equity were set at 20%/year for a non-regulated producer.
- Plants were financed with 100% common equity by the non-regulated producer.
- Plant design and construction was assumed to commence at the beginning of 1985, and commercial operation to start at the beginning of 1990.

For the regulated utility sensitivity case, the plant was financed with 35% common equity, 15% preferred stock, and 50% debt. Required return on common equity was set at 16% per year, preferred stock dividends at 12.75% per year, and interest on debt at 12.25%/year.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

The required selling price for a non-regulated producer was found to be:

Table A-1

Required Methanol Selling Prices
Non-Regulated Producer

	<u>In Current Dollars at the Beginning of 1990</u>	<u>In Mid-1980 Dollars</u>
Per Million Btu Higher Heating Value	\$ 18.57	\$ 7.51
Per Million Btu Lower Heating Value	21.05	8.51
Per Barrel Distillate Fuel Oil Equivalent Higher Heating Value	108.63	43.93
Per Gallon Methanol Fuel	122.4¢	49.5¢

The required selling price in current dollars is defined as the price which if inflated 10% per year together with coal and operating costs will yield the producer a minimum acceptable rate of return on common equity of 20%/yr. This rate of return, is derived from the assumption that the minimum acceptable rate of return is 9.1% per year in the absence of inflation. At 10% per year inflation, the minimum acceptable

return becomes $(1.091)(1.10) - 1.0 = 0.20$ per year (20.0%/yr) to preserve the 9.1% per year constant dollar return.

The most significant price in the above table is the \$7.51 per million Btu in mid-1980 dollars. This is simply the price required at the beginning of 1990 de-escalated at 10% per year to mid-1980. The mid-1980 required price can then be compared with the costs of competitive fuels at that same time. For example, using a mid-1980 landed Algerian or Libyan crude oil cost of \$38 per barrel*, an approximate refining cost of \$5 per barrel of crude oil, a higher heating value of 5.85 million Btu per barrel for both crude oil and products, and a ratio of product to crude oil volume of 0.9, the cost of refined products from these crude oils would be \$8.17 per million Btu (mid-1980\$). For comparison, the weighted average wholesale price of three major refined products (gasoline, distillate fuel oil and 0.3% sulfur fuel oil) was calculated to be over \$8 per million Btu from data in the April 27, 1981 Oil and Gas Journal, pp. 239 and 240. Since the mid-1980 required methanol price would be less than the cost of competitive fuels, the producer would realize rates of return higher than 20% per year if the methanol were sold at the competitive cost, as shown in Table A-2.

*This price was chosen to reflect a totally decontrolled petroleum price situation.

Table A-2

Rates of Return on Common Equity
Methanol Sold at Competitive Fuel Cost*

<u>Competitive Fuel Cost Escalation Rate</u>	<u>Rate of Return</u>
10% per year [†]	22.3% per year
12.2% per year ^δ	31.2% per year

*\$8.17/Million Btu (mid-1980).

[†]10%/year general inflation, no "real" cost increase.

^δ10%/year general inflation, 2% per year "real" increase.

Based on the above, it appears that methanol from coal has an excellent chance of becoming competitive in the liquid fuels market. However, it is prudent to test the sensitivity of the required methanol price to factors that could potentially increase costs. These sensitivities are reported in Table A-3.

Table A-3

Effect of Factors That Could Increase Required Methanol Price

	<u>Required Price</u> <u>Mid-1980s/MMBtu HHV</u>	<u>% Increase</u> <u>Over Base Case</u>
• Base Case	\$7.51	—
• "Real" cost of coal increase at 3%/year	\$8.41	12.0
• Plant facilities cost 35% more than in base case	\$9.19	22.4
• Thermal efficiency of methanol production decreases 10%	\$8.26	10.0
• Construction period lengthens by 2 years*	\$7.56, \$8.49	0.7, 13.0

*The required price is sensitive to the fractions of expenditure for plant in each year of the extended construction period. The prices shown are respectively for: (1) no expenditures in the first two years followed by the same fractional expenditures in the last five years as in the five year base case, and (2) the same fractional expenditures in the first five years as in the five year base case followed by no expenditures in the last two years. The first case might be the result of intervenor objections when the project is announced and the second the result of a delay by intervenors of plant start-up.

Except for the plant cost overrun, none of the negative factors, taken alone would cause the required price to exceed the \$8.17 per million Btu cost of competitive petroleum fuels by a wide enough margin to rule methanol out of the clean liquid fuel market. However, even with the plant cost overrun, if the methanol is sold at the cost of competitive fuels with the competitive fuel cost increasing at 2%/year in real dollars, the rate of return would be in excess of the 20%/yr. required return.

Effects of factors that could decrease the required price were also calculated. They are listed in Table A-4.

Table A-4

Effect of Factors That Would Decrease The Required Methanol Price

	<u>Required Price</u> <u>Mid-1980s/MMBtu HHV</u>	<u>% Decrease</u> <u>From Base Case</u>
• Base case	\$7.51	—
• Thermal efficiency of methanol production increases 10%	\$6.83	9.0
• Investment tax credit rate increases to 25% (over 10% used in base case)	\$6.76	10.0
• Construction period shortens by one year*	\$7.29	3.0
• Inflation rate decreased to 5%/yr.	\$7.47	0.5
• 75 per cent of plant facilities investment financed with loan guarantees	\$5.41	28.0
• Plant owned by regulated utility:		
First year (1990)	\$6.10	
Fifth year (1994)	\$5.42	
Tenth year (1999)	\$4.83	
Twentieth year (2009)	\$4.07	
Levelized	\$4.87	35.0

*The required price is sensitive to the fractions of expenditures for plant in the shortened construction period. Fractions used were:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Shortened</u> <u>Period</u>	<u>Base</u> <u>Case</u>
1	0.15	0.1
2	0.25	0.2
3	0.40	0.5
4	0.20	0.2
5		0.2

As might be expected, the loan guarantee has a dramatic effect, indicating that any appreciable level of loan guarantee up to 75% will provide significant price protection. The interest rate on the loan is 12.25% per year. As also might be expected, the required prices would also decrease substantially if the plant were owned by a regulated utility.

The balance of this section presents plant costs as estimated by Fluor, an estimate of operating costs, and methodology used in calculating required selling prices and other financial information presented above.

Estimated Cost of Plant

The plant facilities investment expressed in mid-1979 dollars is presented in Table A-5 and A-6 by plant section. The figures in Table A-5 are based on a U.S. Gulf Coast location. Factors are applied to these figures to estimate the cost of the facilities at an Illinois location, as presented in Table A-6. As noted, costs in Table A-6 were increased by 13 percent to convert them to mid-1980s, to enable calculation of required prices expressed in mid-1980s. Process and project contingencies have been added. Process contingencies are added only to those sections of the plant not considered to be commercially proven at this time. Process and project contingency rates used in this estimate are shown in Table A-7.

The estimate of plant cost is a "factored" estimate. In this type of estimate, vendor quotations are obtained for the major equipment items, and sales taxes and costs of transportation to the site are added. Then factors are applied to cover all costs necessary to construct the

Table A-5

ESTIMATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT
THOUSAND MID-1979
U.S. GULF COAST LOCATION

Plant Section	Cost		Without Contingencies		Contingencies		Total Plant Investment
	Direct Field Material	Engineering and Support Labor	By Sales Tax	Other	Process	Project	
Coal Preparation	8,676	2,607	5,105	441	-	2,536	19,445
Air Separation	57,967	10,605	28,928	107,929	-	41,535	249,812
Coal Gasification	114,257	27,536	56,733	5,713	20,424	61,272	285,935
Gas Processing and Cooling	14,839	6,493	10,691	693	-	6,543	19,259
Acid Gas Removal	12,636	4,089	11,413	74,867	-	20,730	124,380
Methanol	58,398	8,660	19,749	2,469	-	19,855	119,131
Emissions Control	5,643	853	2,565	7,369	232	3,344	20,293
Steam and Power Generation	25,640	5,498	11,822	1,279	-	11,110	55,549
Product Storage	12,035	7,943	10,132	286	-	6,079	36,475
Utilities	16,728	7,255	11,434	703	-	9,030	45,150
Offsites	27,326	11,277	16,090	877	-	16,671	72,441
Total	364,345	92,896	164,662	190,165	20,656	198,805	1,067,670

Table A-6

ESTIMATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT
THOUSAND MID-1979 DOLLARS
ILLINOIS LOCATION

Plant Section	Cost		Without Contingencies		Contingencies		Total Plant Investment
	Direct Field Material	Engineering Labor and Support	By Sales Tax	Others	Process	Project	
Coal Preparation	8,682	3,494	6,535	448	-	2,874	22,033
Air Separation	58,174	13,497	33,955	107,929	-	43,265	259,591
Coal Gasification	114,396	35,577	71,170	5,780	22,697	68,71	317,759
Gas Processing and Cooling	14,922	8,333	13,915	708	-	7,576	45,454
Acid Gas Removal	12,644	5,318	13,593	74,867	-	21,415	128,492
Methanol	68,684	10,836	23,461	2,486	-	21,093	126,560
Emissions Control	5,673	1,112	3,026	7,369	232	3,488	21,159
Steam and Power Generation	25,681	7,100	14,646	1,292	-	12,230	61,149
Product Storage	12,396	9,780	13,204	300	-	7,136	42,816
Utilities	16,901	9,181	14,766	719	-	10,392	51,958
Offsites	27,882	13,817	20,311	896	-	18,812	81,778
SUBTOTAL	366,205	118,145	228,530	190,165	22,929	216,432	1,159,749
Initial Fill of Chemicals & Catalysts							<u>8,276</u>
Total Plant Facilities Investment							\$1,161,525

Note: For required price calculations, plant facilities investment was increased by 1% to escalate the estimate to mid 1980\$ (\$1,161,525 x 1.13 = \$1,312,500)

Table A-7

CONTINGENCY RATES

<u>Section</u>	<u>Process Contingency, Percent</u>	<u>Project Contingency, Percent</u>
Coal Preparation	0	15
Air Separation	0	20
Coal Gasification	10	30
Gas Processing and Cooling		
CO ₂ Hydrolysis	0	20
Shift Conversion	0	20
Acid Gas Removal (Rectisol)	0	20
Methanol		
Methanol Synthesis	0	20
Methanol Refining	0	20
Emissions Control		
Claus Sulfur	0	20
Tail Gas Treating	3	20
Steam and Power Generation		
Boiler Plant	0	25
Turbogenerators	0	25
Product Storage and Shipping	0	20
Utilities	0	25
Off-sites	0	30

plant, such as engineering, field labor, piling, foundations, structural steel, piping, instrumentation, electrical, painting, contractor fee, etc. The factors used are based on the Contractor's experience in constructing similar facilities.

A factored estimate is usually expected to be accurate within the range of plus or minus 30 per cent.

Plant Operating Costs

Estimates of these costs are summarized in Table A-8.

The number of operating jobs necessary to operate the plant was estimated by Fluor. The annual cost of operating labor was then calculated using an hourly rate of \$20.00 per person hour including 35% payroll burden (mid-1980\$).

Annual maintenance costs (labor and material) were based on the following rates:

<u>Plant Section</u>	<u>Maintenance Costs Percent of Mid-1980 Installed Cost</u>
Coal Preparation	3.0
Air Separation	2.0
Coal Gasification	4.5
Gas Processing and Cooling	2.5
Acid Gas Removal	2.5
Methanol Synthesis and Refining	3.0
Emission Control	2.5
Steam and Power Generation	1.5
Product Storage	2.0
Utilities	1.5
Offsites	1.0

Table A-8

Estimated Plant Operating Costs

Thousand Mid-1980 Dollars Annually

Fixed Costs

Operating Labor	\$10,862
Maintenance Labor	14,514
Maintenance Material	21,772
Administrative and Support Labor	7,613
General and Administrative Expense	<u>12,051</u>
Total	\$66,812

Variable Costs*

Water	\$ 2,453
Catalysts and Chemicals	7,074
Ash Disposal	<u>3,093</u>
Total	\$12,566

*At 100% annual capacity factor.

The annual cost calculated using these rates was then divided into 40% labor and 60% material. Administrative and support labor was estimated to be 30% of operating and maintenance labor.

General and administrative expense to cover all other plant expense and additional corporate expense was estimated at 0.7% of plant facilities investment.

Variable operating costs are dependent on plant capacity factor. The bases for these costs are:

- Raw water - 50¢ per thousand gallons (mid-1980s).
- Catalysts and Chemicals - Market prices (See Table A-9). The annual makeup cost in Table A-9 was increased by 13% to reflect mid-1980s, then converted to a cost at 100% capacity factor for reporting in Table A-8.
- Ash disposal - \$5 per short ton (mid-1980s).

Required Selling Prices of Methanol Product - Base Case

The total capital requirement for the base case is presented in Table 6-10. A five year design and construction period is assumed with plant expenditures assumed to occur in the following fractions:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fraction</u>
1	0.1
2	0.2
3	0.3
4	0.2
5	0.2

The amount of escalation in plant facilities investment as a result of 10%/year inflation assumed throughout the calculations is added to arrive at the escalated investment in plant facilities. For this calculation, expenditures are assumed to be made in the middle of each year.

An allowance for funds during construction is calculated. Its meaning and the method of its calculation is presented later.

Table A-9

CATALYSTS AND CHEMICALS COSTS
 MID-1979 DOLLARS

Unit	Catalyst or Chemical	Initial Charge		Annual Makeup (90% cap. fac.)	
		Amount	Cost, \$	Amount	Cost, \$
21	Waste Water Treating Chemicals				210,000
31	CO ₂ Hydrolysis Catalyst Sour Shift Catalyst	103,000 lb	186,000	34,500 lb	62,000
		480,000 lb	1,672,000	96,000 lb	375,000
32	Methanol Solvent	210,000 gal	105,000		
41	Zinc Oxide Sulfur Adsorbent Methanol Synthesis Catalyst	167,000 lb	184,000	167,000 lb	184,000
		"	"		4,086,000
51	Activated Alumina Cobalt Moly Catalyst Stratford Process Chemicals	260,000 lb	134,000	50,000 lb	25,000
		"	104,000		30,000
		"	154,000		100,000
81	Lime Soda Ash Sulfuric Acid (93 percent) Caustic Soda (100 percent) Cooling Water Chemicals Boiler Feedwater Chemicals Total	35 ton	1,600	1,600 ton	74,000
		30 ton	2,400	1,400 ton	112,000
		100 ton	5,200	2,160 ton	112,000
		13 ton	2,200	150 ton	25,000
			15,000		198,000
			21,000		41,000
		2,776,300		5,634,000	

Methanol solvent makeup supplied by methanol product and reflected in overall material balance

included in installed cost of Unit 41

Table A-10
CAPITAL OUTLAY SCHEDULE
FOR A
NON-UTILITY COMPANY
(THOUSAND DOLLARS)

DESIGN/ CONSTR- UCTION PERIOD (YEAR)	CALC- DAR YEAR	IN DOLLARS	AMOUNT OF ESCALA- TION	ESCALA- TION	INVEST- MENT	OTHER DOLLARS	TOTAL OUTLAY	GRANTS IN AID OF CONSTR- UCTION	INVEST- MENT TAX CREDITS	CITIZ- ENSHIP TAX CREDITS	NET OUTLAY FOR PLANT
1	1965	131250	8829	213379	0	3871	218250	0	20400	15074	1-2181
2	1966	282500	202359	484859	0	0	487359	0	44148	32594	475250
3	1967	343750	373557	717307	0	0	717307	0	76644	52278	438331
4	1968	262500	300142	562642	0	0	562642	0	14674	30375	385316
5	1969	262500	366461	610961	0	182366	813327	0	61025	48814	630436
	TOTAL	1312500	1116875	2429375	1226364	182366	3646739	0	258238	63994	2488312

PREPAID ROYALTIES, LAND, ORGANIZATION AND STARTUP EXPENSES, AND WORKING CAPITAL
GROSS DEPRECIABLE INVESTMENT : ESCALATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT LESS GRANTS-IN-AID OF CONSTRUCTION LESS DEPRECIABLE PORTION
OF ESCALATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT PLUS PREPAID ROYALTIES

DESIGN/ CONSTR- UCTION PERIOD (YEAR)	PLANT FINANCING COMMON EQUITY	ACCOUNTS OF: LAND WORKING CAPITAL FEDERAL INTEREST EXEMPTIBLE PORTION OF ESCALATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT ORGANIZATION AND STARTUP EXPENSES INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS OTHER INCOME TAX CREDITS TOTAL	NET OUTLAY FOR PLANT
1	3716736	30214	1-2181
2	3716736	13639	475250
3		0	438331
4		37019	385316
5		63504	630436
	TOTAL	116824	2488312

Other outlays consist of:

- Land costs at \$5,000/acre mid-1980\$, escalated at 10%/year to the beginning of 1985.
- Pre-paid royalties of 0.5% of plant facilities investment (mid-1980\$) escalated at 10%/year to the end of 1989.
- Organization and start-up expenses at 3% of plant facilities investment (mid-1980\$) escalated at 10%/year to mid-1989.
- Working capital consisting of:
 - One month cost of coal at full capacity (mid-1980\$).
 - Three months cost of total labor (mid-1980\$).
 - One month cost of all other operating costs (mid-1980\$).
 - A contingency of 25% of the total of the above costs.

Working capital is then escalated at 10% per year and is assumed to be provided at the end of 1989.

Investment tax credits are calculated at 10 percent of the non-expensable portion of escalated plant facilities investment. In this case, the expensable portion of plant facilities investment is the sales tax, which amounts to 1.4075 per cent of plant facilities investment.

Other income tax offsets result from expensing the sales tax portion of plant facilities investment and organization and startup expenses.

The net outlay for plant is then the net out-of-pocket cash investment in the plant.

The equity portion of allowance for funds during construction is not an actual cash outlay. It is the earnings lost as a result of investing equity money in this project rather than others. It was calculated at 20% of each net outlay for plant with each amount so calculated compounded to the end of 1989 at the rate of 20.0%/year. Since the working capital quantity is provided at the end of 1989, and prepaid royalties are assumed paid at the end of 1989, no allowance for funds during construction is necessary for those quantities.

The significance of the 20.0%/year is as follows:

- It is assumed that the minimum acceptable after tax discounted cash flow (DCF) rate of return on common equity in the absence of inflation is 9.1 per cent per year.
- This being the case, then in view of 10% per year inflation the rate of return needs to be increased to:

$$(1.091)(1.10) - 1.0 = 0.20 \text{ per year (rounded)}$$

to preserve a rate of return of 9.1% per year in constant dollars.

Using discounted cash flow terminology, the present value of the common equity investment at the beginning of commercial operation is \$3,716,736,000.

A so-called "year-by-year" revenue requirement schedule is presented in Table A-11. The revenue requirements shown are those necessary to yield a 20% return each year on common equity outstanding at the beginning of that year. As noted on the table, the methanol would not be sold at the year-by-year prices, but at market prices. However, the year-by-year revenue requirements are used to rigorously develop the required starting

Table A-11
 YEAR-BY-YEAR
 REVENUE REQUIREMENTS SCHEDULE
 FOR A
 NON-UTILITY COMPANY
 (SEE NOTES)
 \$ THOUSAND DOLLARS

CALEN- DAR YEAR	RETURN ON COMMON EQUITY	PRE- ferred STOCK DIVI- DENDS	INTER- EST ON DEBT	INCOME TAXES	OTHER TAXES AND INSUR- ANCE	DEPRE- CIATION	RECOVERY OF CAPITAL	CON- T. COST	OPER- ATING AND MAINT- ENANCE COSTS	TOTAL REVENUE REQUIRED	REVENUE FROM PRODUCTS	REVENUE FROM PRINCIPAL PRODUCT		
												\$ PER UNIT	\$ PER UNIT	
1 1990	743347	0	0	86159	78761	11726	5172	392241	195281	213849	0	213849	30.78	11.32
2 1991	789311	0	0	592363	78761	11726	5172	430759	214721	216013	0	216013	31.89	19.39
3 1992	475766	0	0	540668	78761	11726	5172	464186	236139	210819	0	210819	31.80	9.87
4 1993	411960	0	0	836773	78761	11726	5172	937922	259612	224421	0	224421	32.81	0.84
5 1994	408164	0	0	529777	78761	11726	5172	597503	285794	226816	0	226816	32.45	0.28
6 1995	574369	0	0	53102	78761	11726	5172	653970	314321	231133	0	231133	33.41	7.82
7 1996	50975	0	0	51386	78761	11726	5172	757560	345819	230589	0	230589	34.33	6.68
8 1997	50677	0	0	55591	78761	11726	5172	619499	360391	249928	0	249928	36.66	6.59
9 1998	47201	0	0	47798	78761	11726	5172	618357	36439	261732	0	261732	38.12	5.97
10 1999	43185	0	0	43080	78761	11726	5172	611438	360276	264817	0	264817	39.80	6.48
11 2000	40939	0	0	42204	78761	11726	5172	323708	366311	275313	0	275313	41.73	5.84
12 2001	37194	0	0	47489	78761	11726	5172	124843	356951	289113	0	289113	43.92	5.14
13 2002	33798	0	0	46613	78761	11726	5172	130706	31264	309192	0	309192	46.42	4.99
14 2003	30403	0	0	45618	78761	11726	5172	184978	61388	325482	0	325482	48.98	4.33
15 2004	27027	0	0	43514	78761	11726	5172	171283	76379	351299	0	351299	51.74	4.00
16 2005	23611	0	0	39299	78761	11726	5172	190287	91813	354064	0	354064	55.04	4.07
17 2006	20218	0	0	36067	78761	11726	5172	211306	94943	382891	0	382891	58.78	4.07
18 2007	16828	0	0	32683	78761	11726	5172	239788	98657	417639	0	417639	62.92	4.16
19 2008	13824	0	0	29499	78761	11726	5172	268438	108301	437134	0	437134	67.59	4.07
20 2009	10128	0	0	26216	78761	11726	5172	287877	119181	470291	0	470291	72.89	3.81

LEVELIZED FIXED CHARGE RATE IN CURRENT DOLLARS = 368596
 HOTEL PRODUCTS ARE NOT SOLD AT YEAR-BY-YEAR REVENUE REQUIREMENTS. THEY ARE SOLD AT MARKET PRICES.
 HOWEVER, THESE REVENUES ARE USED TO DEVELOP THE STARTING PRICES SHOWN BELOW. (SEE USER'S MANUAL.)

* NON-DEPRECIABLE INVESTMENT LESS WORKING CAPITAL LESS LAND
 ** LEVELIZED USING RETURN ON EQUITY OF 20.860 PCT./YEAR
 *** LEVELIZED USING RETURN ON EQUITY OF 3.871 PCT./YEAR

Table A-11 (Continued)
 REVENUE REQUIREMENTS SCHEDULE
 FOR A
 NON-UTILITY COMPANY

STARTING PRICE OF PRIMARY PRODUCT AT THE BEGINNING OF 1998: THE FIRST YEAR OF COMMERCIAL OPERATION
 AT GENERAL INFLATION RATE OF 10.00 PCT./YEAR $\$1$ 10.57 PER HNGTL-YEAR

INFLATION-INDEPENDENT PRICES OF PRIMARY PRODUCT IN MID - 1990: THE LAST YEAR FOR COST DATA INPUT
 AT GENERAL INFLATION RATE OF 10.00 PCT./YEAR $\$1$ 7.52 PER HNGTL-YEAR

THE PRICE OF THE PRINCIPAL PRODUCT WHEN IT ALLOWED TO INCREASE AT
 THE SPECIFIED RATE OF GENERAL INFLATION
 WOULD PROVIDE THE SAME DCF RATE OF RETURN AS EITHER THE CALCULATED YEAR-BY-YEAR PRICES OR THE CALCULATED LEVELIZED PRICES

prices shown on the continuation of Table A-11. As shown, the required initial selling price at the start of commercial operation (beginning of 1990) was calculated to be \$18.57 per million Btu (higher heating value). This is the price at the beginning of commercial operation which if indexed to the 10% per year inflation rate would result in a 20.0%/year DCF rate of return to the producer. Expressed in mid-1980 dollars, this price is equivalent to \$7.51 per million Btu.

It is not necessary to present the development of the required starting price, for it is justified in Table A-12. The calculations in this table show that if the required starting price of \$18.57 per million Btu is escalated at 10%/year, the producer does, in fact, realize a 20%/year return on common equity investment.

In calculating required prices, the following additional criteria not previously described were used.

- Property tax and insurance—3% of escalated plant facilities investment, this quantity held constant throughout the 20 year period of commercial operation, in accord with common practice.
- Income taxes—A 46% federal and 6% state rate were used, for a combined rate of 49.24%.
- Depreciation for calculation of income taxes—Sum-of-years-digits over a 13 year tax life, gross depreciable investment less 10% salvage value.

Required Selling Prices - Regulated Utility Case

The capital outlay schedule for the regulated utility owned plant (Table A-13) is somewhat similar to that for the non-regulated producer. In this regulated ownership case, the allowance for funds during construction

Table A-12

CASH FLOW SCHEDULE FOR A NON-UTILITY COMPANY
WITH PRINCIPAL PRODUCT SOLD AT ESCALATED REQUIRE STARTING PRICE

IN THOUSAND DOLLARS

YEAR	SALES- PER YEAR	REQUIRED PRICE, \$ PER MONTH-TON	REVENUE FROM PRINCIPAL PRODUCT	REVENUE FROM BY- PRODUCTS	TOTAL REVENUE	TAXES ON INCOME	OTHER CASH DISBURSE- MENTS	CORPORATE INVEST- MENT	DEBT REPAYMENT	DEBT ISSUANCE	NET CASH FLOW	CASH FLOW TO COMMON EQUITY
1	1000	20.00	10000	0	10000	2000	6000	0	0	0	3400	3400
2	1000	22.00	13200	0	13200	2640	7560	0	0	0	5640	5640
3	1000	24.00	16800	0	16800	3360	9440	0	0	0	7480	7480
4	1000	26.00	20800	0	20800	4160	11680	0	0	0	9320	9320
5	1000	28.00	25200	0	25200	5040	14280	0	0	0	11160	11160
6	1000	30.00	30000	0	30000	6000	17280	0	0	0	13000	13000
7	1000	32.00	35200	0	35200	7040	20320	0	0	0	14840	14840
8	1000	34.00	40800	0	40800	8160	23480	0	0	0	16680	16680
9	1000	36.00	46800	0	46800	9360	26760	0	0	0	18520	18520
10	1000	38.00	53200	0	53200	10640	30160	0	0	0	20360	20360
11	1000	40.00	60000	0	60000	12000	33680	0	0	0	22200	22200
12	1000	42.00	67200	0	67200	13440	37320	0	0	0	24040	24040
13	1000	44.00	74800	0	74800	14960	41080	0	0	0	25880	25880
14	1000	46.00	82800	0	82800	16560	44960	0	0	0	27720	27720
15	1000	48.00	91200	0	91200	18240	48960	0	0	0	29560	29560
16	1000	50.00	100000	0	100000	20000	53120	0	0	0	31400	31400
17	1000	52.00	109200	0	109200	21840	57440	0	0	0	33240	33240
18	1000	54.00	118800	0	118800	23760	61920	0	0	0	35080	35080
19	1000	56.00	128800	0	128800	25760	66560	0	0	0	36920	36920
20	1000	58.00	139200	0	139200	27840	71360	0	0	0	38760	38760

PRESENT VALUE AT BEGINNING OF 1980 OF CASH FLOW TO COMMON EQUITY DISCOUNTED AT 20.0% PER YEAR = 2117500
COMMON EQUITY OUTSTANDING AT BEGINNING OF 1980

OTHER TAXES AND INSURANCE, DEFERRED STOCK COSTS, DEBT PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, COAL COST, AND OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS

Table A-13

CAPITAL OUTLAY SCHEDULE
FOR AN
INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY
(IN THOUSAND DOLLARS)

CONSTRUCTION PERIOD (YEAR)	PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT		ALLOWANCE FOR FUNDS DURING CONSTRUCTION		TOTAL OUTLAY	GRANTS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION	INVESTMENT CREDITS	COSTS INCURRED	NET CAPITAL PLAN
	IN MID-1960 DOLLARS	AMOUNT OF ESCALATION	EQUITY	INTEREST					
1. 1965	131250	80129	211379	3071	214451	0	0	0	214451
2. 1966	262500	205355	465035	0	465035	0	0	0	465035
3. 1967	393750	371557	761307	0	761307	0	0	0	761307
4. 1968	262500	381924	561692	0	561692	0	0	0	561692
5. 1969	262500	396461	619961	182706	802667	0	0	0	802667
TOTALS	1312500	1312675	2525375	185777	2811152	0	258636	0	2811152

GROSS DEPRECIABLE INVESTMENT = 3492300
NET NON-DEPRECIABLE PLANT OUTLAY = 76703
TOTAL NON-DEPRECIABLE INVESTMENT = 3465597
TOTAL INVESTMENT = 3465597

* PREPARE ROYALTIES, LAND, ORGANIZATION AND STARTUP EXPENSES, AND WORKING CAPITAL
** TO BE NORMALIZED OVER PERIOD OF COMMERCIAL OPERATION

GROSS DEPRECIABLE INVESTMENT = ESCALATED PLANT FACILITIES INVESTMENT LESS GRANTS-IN-AID OF CONSTRUCTION PLUS ALLOWANCE FOR FUNDS DURING CONSTRUCTION PLUS PREPARED ROYALTIES PLUS ORGANIZATION AND STARTUP EXPENSES

PLANT FINANCING:
COMMON EQUITY = (350311 346994) = 123417
PREFERRED STOCK = (350311 346994) = 52036
DEBT = (350311 346994) = 173457
346994

is calculated assuming the net outlay for the plant is funded by debt capital. For this purpose interest on debt is 12.25% per year. As indicated on Table A-13, when constructed the plant is financed with 50% debt, 35% common equity and 15% preferred stock. In this case, no expenditure is expensed during the design-construction period, since in most cases, such expenses are capitalized for purposes of calculating future revenue requirements. Investment tax credits are calculated at 10% of escalated plant facilities investment, less sales tax. They are then normalized over the book life of the plant.

Table A-14 indicates the annual revenue that would be required for recovery of capital, and the outstanding annual balances of the various forms of capital.

All revenue requirements for the regulated utility operation are shown in Table A-15. Since, in theory, a regulated utility must sell each year at its actual costs, including a fixed return on equity, it is appropriate to show "year-by-year" revenue requirements. In this exhibit, the return on common equity for any year is calculated by multiplying the amount of common equity outstanding at the beginning of that year by the required return on common equity (16.0%/year). Recovery of preferred stock, debt and common equity are each on a straight line basis through book depreciation over the 30 year project life. Preferred stock dividends are at the rate of 12.75%/year and interest on debt is 12.25%/year. Sum-of-the-year's digits depreciation was used for tax purposes over a tax life of 13 years and using a 10% plant salvage value. Income taxes were reduced through normalization of investment tax credits over the project life.

Table A-14

CAPITAL RECOVERY SCHEDULE
FOR AN
INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY
(THOUSAND DOLLARS)

PERIOD OF COMMERCIAL OPERATION (YEAR)	CALENDAR YEAR	DEBT BALANCE (BEGINNING OF YR.)	DEBT PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	PREFERRED STOCK BALANCE (BEGINNING OF YEAR)	RECOVERY OF PREFERRED	COMMON EQUITY OUTSTANDING (BEGINNING OF YEAR)	ANNUAL RECOVERY OF COMMON EQUITY
1	1988	123897	57818	521344	17345	121487	27664
2	1991	1676224	57818	583819	17345	1167578	27664
3	1992	1689107	57818	485613	17345	1180567	27664
4	1993	1561022	57818	468284	17145	1134354	27664
5	1994	1503274	57818	450422	17145	1107351	27664
6	1995	1485454	57818	433617	17345	1081343	27664
7	1996	1367637	57818	416991	17345	1055335	27664
8	1997	1329119	57818	398346	17345	1029327	27664
9	1998	1272001	57818	381600	17345	1003319	27664
10	1999	1241811	57818	364255	17145	977311	27664
11	2000	1116365	57818	346902	17345	941304	27664
12	2001	1185407	57818	329551	17145	915295	27664
13	2002	1140128	57818	312211	17345	879287	27664
14	2003	982918	57818	294872	17145	843279	27664
15	2004	925892	57818	277532	17145	807271	27664
16	2005	867273	57818	260192	17345	771263	27664
17	2006	809455	57818	242852	17145	735255	27664
18	2007	751637	57818	225512	17345	700247	27664
19	2008	693819	57818	208172	17145	665239	27664
20	2009	636001	57818	190832	17345	630231	27664
21	2010	578182	57818	173492	17145	595223	27664
22	2011	520364	57818	156152	17345	560215	27664
23	2012	462546	57818	138812	17145	525207	27664
24	2013	404728	57818	121472	17345	490199	27664
25	2014	346910	57818	104132	17145	455191	27664
26	2015	289091	57818	86792	17345	420183	27664
27	2016	231273	57818	69452	17145	385175	27664
28	2017	173455	57818	52112	17345	350167	27664
29	2018	115637	57818	34772	17145	315159	27664
30	2019	57818	57818	17432	17345	280151	27664
31	2020	0	0	0	0	145143	0

Table A-15

REVENUE REQUIREMENTS SCHEDULE
FOR AN
INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY
(IN THOUSAND DOLLARS)

CALEN- DAR YEAR	RETURN ON COMMON EQUITY	PRE- FERRED STOCK DIVI- DENDS	INVEA- EST ON DEBT	INCOME TAXES	OTHER TAXES AND IMBUR- ANCE	RECOVERY OF CAPITAL	OPEN- ING AND MAINTE- NANCE COSTS	TOTAL REVENUE ACQUIRING PRODUCTS	REVENUE FROM BY- PRODUCTS	TOTAL	REVENUE FROM PRINCIPAL PRODUCT	
											\$ PER MBTU	PCU IN MID-1988 DOLLARS
1	1990	192259	6336	21902	8065	0	392205	132241	0	1102471	11.59	5.14
2	1991	196114	6135	20399	8274	0	385339	12721	0	128246	11.48	5.91
3	1992	199752	6122	19317	8623	0	384106	23695	0	131806	11.87	5.73
4	1993	181497	5912	18134	9751	0	337842	29812	0	140079	20.16	6.57
5	1994	177448	5788	18151	10772	0	397936	20996	0	149281	21.58	6.42
6	1995	178903	5549	17668	11791	0	363376	31373	0	164987	23.13	6.28
7	1996	166726	3977	16986	10853	0	331568	35818	0	174754	26.02	6.18
8	1997	164468	3866	16263	9536	0	319472	38391	0	183924	26.68	6.03
9	1998	160211	3686	15228	8188	0	313305	40638	0	195639	26.72	6.03
10	1999	159954	3642	14837	7671	0	311336	43874	0	213206	32.95	6.03
11	2000	151694	3231	14169	7671	0	312370	50431	0	232271	33.42	6.74
12	2001	147436	3089	13528	7671	0	328039	58421	0	258352	36.13	6.66
13	2002	143101	2968	12769	7671	0	336716	61624	0	277342	39.11	6.58
14	2003	136928	2796	12006	7671	0	354878	67866	0	295283	42.39	6.51
15	2004	134663	2638	11524	7671	0	372023	71278	0	313893	45.91	6.41
16	2005	134119	2573	10832	7671	0	390057	83483	0	340229	49.85	6.32
17	2006	128152	2462	9938	7671	0	411385	91943	0	361871	52.98	6.24
18	2007	121095	2356	9276	7671	0	437756	96637	0	395502	57.36	6.12
19	2008	117633	2259	8493	7671	0	480351	100361	0	434939	61.25	6.03
20	2009	113381	2127	7718	7671	0	507877	113831	0	470378	65.69	6.07
21	2010	109124	2011	7021	7671	0	521954	133214	0	514398	70.74	6.03
22	2011	104868	1984	6348	7671	0	537491	144836	0	559324	76.60	6.08
23	2012	100610	1762	5668	7671	0	551947	168989	0	611418	83.81	6.07
24	2013	96352	1581	4939	7671	0	565055	174888	0	669898	92.36	6.04
25	2014	92094	1369	4246	7671	0	578126	172677	0	730131	101.43	6.00
26	2015	87836	1168	3514	7671	0	591598	210444	0	805701	111.97	6.03
27	2016	83578	848	2831	7671	0	604583	236439	0	885141	124.13	6.03
28	2017	79320	635	2148	7671	0	617650	259883	0	978481	138.17	6.03
29	2018	75062	423	1468	7671	0	630721	281991	0	1072109	151.31	6.03
30	2019	70804	212	783	7671	0	643821	306498	0	1181607	170.02	6.04

LEVELIZED

20.49

4.07

LEVELIZED FIXED CHARGE RATE ON CURRENT DOLLARS = 17.060
 a LEVELIZED USING RETURN ON EQUITY OF 16.000 PCT./YEAR
 ** LEVELIZED USING RETURN ON EQUITY OF 9.400 PCT./YEAR

The required prices are shown in both current dollars and in mid-1980 dollars. By showing them in mid-1980 dollars, perspective is gained with respect to the methanol's competitive position in today's fuel market.

As previously stated, the cost of fuels refined from foreign crude oil is now (mid-1980) about \$8.17 per million Btu. Thus, the methanol produced in this case would be expected to be cost effective.

Table A-16 is provided for several purposes. First, it shows net cash flow to common equity on a year-by-year basis. It also shows that the year-by-year prices calculated in Table A-15 (called "prices not levelized" in Table A-16) do, in fact, provide a 16% per year DCF return on common equity. And, it shows that the current dollar levelized price reported on Table A-15, would also provide a 16%/year return on common equity.

Table A-16

PROJECT CASH FLOW SCHEDULE FOR AN INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY

(THOUSAND DOLLARS)

YR	TOTAL REVENUE AT 1% LEVEL-PRICE		TAXES ON INCOME WITH REVENUE AT 1% LEVEL-PRICE		OTHER TAXES AND INCOME		PRE-FINANCING STOCK COST & INTEREST		CONC COST		DEPR-AMT INC MAIN-INT MARKET COSTS		COMMON EQUITY PORTION OF PR- CUPRING INVEST-MENT		PLANT SALVAGE VALUE & CAPITAL AND LAND		CASH FLOWS TO COMMON EQUITY WITH REVENUE AT 1% LEVEL-PRICE	
	DA	YR	NOT LEV-1%	LEV-1%	NOT LEV-1%	LEV-1%	AND INCOME	PRE-FINANCING STOCK COST & INTEREST	CONC COST	DEPR-AMT INC MAIN-INT MARKET COSTS	COMMON EQUITY PORTION OF PR- CUPRING INVEST-MENT	PLANT SALVAGE VALUE & CAPITAL AND LAND	CASH FLOWS TO COMMON EQUITY WITH REVENUE AT 1% LEVEL-PRICE	NOT LEV-1%	LEV-1%			
1	1978	1152871	1979966	-8855	31862	7821	6362	27100	19220	19520	0	22811	44675					
2	1979	1220266	1979966	-52296	30762	7871	6140	28321	45719	21672	0	21620	46705					
3	1980	1318009	1979966	-36823	29371	7871	1979	25613	64186	21672	0	21620	48731					
4	1981	1400679	1979966	-21520	27510	7871	1705	24052	55702	25512	0	20855	50811					
5	1982	1491611	1979966	42791	25278	7871	1486	24169	69753	28519	0	20855	52700					
6	1983	1586907	1979966	89063	22674	7871	1263	24084	86307	31533	0	19544	54411					
7	1984	1693264	1979966	13334	19498	7871	702	22780	10307	34518	0	19126	55841					
8	1985	1813926	1979966	9534	15168	7871	621	20721	11943	38430	0	18625	57011					
9	1986	1951339	1979966	12605	11367	7871	600	21363	13638	41630	0	18109	57911					
10	1987	2107255	1979966	14767	8383	7871	637	20753	15370	44824	0	17584	5811					
11	1988	2282211	1979966	17148	5385	7871	617	19973	17118	48031	0	17061	5811					
12	1989	2477442	1979966	20019	2675	7871	593	19250	18933	50631	0	16540	5811					
13	1990	2693803	1979966	22608	1625	7871	575	18507	19883	52731	0	16024	5811					
14	1991	2932403	1979966	24887	2232	7871	549	17822	20853	54831	0	15511	5811					
15	1992	318383	1979966	26812	3350	7871	523	17139	21823	56931	0	15000	5811					
16	1993	3448259	1979966	28316	4639	7871	501	16459	22807	59031	0	14489	5811					
17	1994	3636101	1979966	29436	6031	7871	484	15784	23787	61131	0	13978	5811					
18	1995	3849502	1979966	29882	7526	7871	469	15114	24750	63231	0	13467	5811					
19	1996	4089596	1979966	29511	9131	7871	456	14459	25698	65331	0	12956	5811					
20	1997	4357330	1979966	28301	10746	7871	444	13814	26727	67431	0	12445	5811					
21	1998	4654390	1979966	26081	12371	7871	432	13179	27747	69531	0	11934	5811					
22	1999	4981324	1979966	22861	14006	7871	420	12554	28757	71631	0	11423	5811					
23	2000	5339390	1979966	19641	15651	7871	408	11939	29757	73731	0	10912	5811					
24	2001	5729596	1979966	16421	17306	7871	396	11324	30747	75831	0	10401	5811					
25	2002	6152031	1979966	13201	18971	7871	384	10709	31727	77931	0	9890	5811					
26	2003	6607801	1979966	10001	20646	7871	372	10094	32697	80031	0	9379	5811					
27	2004	7097031	1979966	6801	22331	7871	360	9479	33647	82131	0	8868	5811					
28	2005	7620801	1979966	3601	24026	7871	348	8864	34577	84231	0	8357	5811					
29	2006	8179031	1979966	401	25731	7871	336	8249	35487	86331	0	7846	5811					
30	2007	8772801	1979966	1199	27446	7871	324	7634	36377	88431	0	7335	5811					
31	2008	9402031	1979966	1801	29171	7871	312	7019	37247	90531	0	6824	5811					
32	2009	10067801	1979966	801	30906	7871	300	6404	38097	92631	0	6313	5811					
33	2010	10770031	1979966	1199	32651	7871	288	5789	38927	94731	0	5802	5811					
34	2011	11509801	1979966	1799	34406	7871	276	5174	39747	96831	0	5291	5811					
35	2012	12287031	1979966	2399	36171	7871	264	4559	40547	98931	0	4780	5811					
36	2013	13112801	1979966	3001	37946	7871	252	3944	41327	101031	0	4269	5811					
37	2014	13987031	1979966	3601	39731	7871	240	3329	42097	103131	0	3758	5811					
38	2015	14910801	1979966	4201	41526	7871	228	2714	42847	105231	0	3247	5811					
39	2016	15884031	1979966	4801	43331	7871	216	2099	43577	107331	0	2736	5811					
40	2017	16917801	1979966	5401	45146	7871	204	1484	44287	109431	0	2225	5811					
41	2018	18012031	1979966	6001	46971	7871	192	869	44977	111531	0	1714	5811					
42	2019	19167801	1979966	6601	48806	7871	180	254	45647	113631	0	1203	5811					
43	2020	20385031	1979966	7201	50651	7871	168	163	46297	115731	0	692	5811					

PRESENT VALUE OF CASH FLOWS TO COMMON EQUITY AT BEGINNING OF 1990 DISCOUNTED AT 14.00 PCT./YEAR WITH REVENUE AT LEVELIZED PRICE 3.1 1214122772 WITH REVENUE AT PRICES NOT LEVELIZED 2.3 1214122772

COMMON EQUITY OUTSTANDING AT BEGINNING OF 1990 2.1 1214122772
 ONLY PRINCIPAL PRODUCT PRICE IS LEVELIZED, USING RETURN ON EQUITY OF 14.00 PCT./YEAR RECOVERY AND DIVIDENDS