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ADDRESS REPLY TO: DISTRICT ENGINEER U. S. ARMY ENG. DISTRICT WILMINGTON CORFS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 1090 WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

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7 February 1963

Mr. Sam Bass Prudential Credit Corporation 223 Wicker Street P. O. Box 803 Sanford, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bass:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 2 February 1963 relative to spoiling future dredged material from Lookout Bight on the surrounding shore.

This office has performed, as required, a small amount of dredging through a "bar" at the end of the Back Sound-Lookout Bight 7-foot channel in Lookout Bight during the past several years. The location of this bar with respect to the shoreline of Lookout Bight precludes the possibility of spoiling onshore without increasing the cost of dredging. However, should the bar move reasonably closer to the shore in the future, we shall be glad to consider spoiling dredged material on the shore.

If this is not practical at the time of our next maintenance dredging, you may be able to make a deal with the contractor to have the material placed on the shore.

Sincerely yours,

C. MCDUFFIE JR.

Chief, Engineering Division

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February 2, 1963

District Commander Corps. of Army Engineers Wilmington, North Caroling

Dear Sir:

I am co-owner in the property that surrounds the Bight at Cape Lookout, North Carolina. For some time now, we have been working on the development of this property.

We have purchased a bulldozer and plan to begin pushing up a barrier sand dune from a point about a mile north of the Light House to the tip of the cape at the southern end of Core Bank. We also, plan to stop the high water drains that have cut across from ocean to sound in several places.

During the past generations, the sand from the banks has washed and blown into the Bight until now it is only partially navigatable, as you know. I understand from local people that in times past this was a deep water anchorage for large ships. The work we are doing to stop the errosion of the banks will, we trust, greatly decrease the flow of sand from that area.

Is it possible to change spil areas that are now located in the Bight its self, so that in any future dredging by your department or anyone else, the spoil would be pumped on shore, either on Core Banks or Shakelford Banks? I, beleive, that in time, we might be appended to increase the dept of the Bight if everyone concerned works toward that end.

If the changing of these spoil areas is not within your jurisdiction I hope you will tell me whom I should contact. Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Yours truly.

Sam Bass



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February 25, 1965

North Carolina State Seedling Nursery Clayton North Carolina

Gentlemen:

I am interested in obtaining some American Beach grass for conservation work on Cape Lookout, North Carolina. If you have some of this grass available for the public, please furnish me the information I need to obtain it.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Sam Bass

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Telephone 4-0771

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February 19, 1963

Mr. S. Q. Bass Prudential Credit Corporation P. O. Box 803 Sanford, North Carolina

Re: Your letter of 2/2/63 to N. C. Highway Department Concerning Sand Fences

Dear Mr. Bass:

You should be able to obtain sand fence of a type that would meet your needs from any of the companies listed below.

The Oakwood Products Company, P. O. Box 367, Jackson, Ohio

Sears, Roebuck & Co., 2600 Lawndale Dr., Greensboro, N. C.

Wheeler Lumber Bridge & Supply Co., P O Box 8392, St. Louis Park, Minn.

Fencecraft, Inc., Merrick, N. Y.

Carolina Builders Corp., P. O. Box 10977, Raleigh, N. C.

Southeastern Wood Products Company, 151 N. Ninth St., Griffin, Ga.

Denning Mfg. Co., Inc., P. O. Box 1396, Joliet, Illinois

Lincraft, Inc., Broad & Tatham Sts., Burlington, N. J.

Davidson Lumber Co., Inc., P.O. Box 54, Sioux City, Iowa

Buffalo Fence Co., Inc., P. O. Box 55, Kenmore 17, N. Y.

Norris Fence Company, P. O. Box 416, Lufkin, Texas

Concord Woodworking Co., Inc., 10 Beharrell St., W. Concord, Mass.

Very truly yours,

P. A. Tucker, Purchasing Agent

PAT/dr cc: Mr. J. W. Upchurch

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE Washington 25, D. C.

February 15, 1963

Mr. Sam Bass Prudential Credit Corporation 223 Wicker Street P. O. Box 803 Sanford, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bass:

From the description of your sand blowing problem, I suggest that you try to borrow a fence from a highway department or some other agency that uses similar fence.

You could construct your own with lath. In some areas, property owners place the lath about two or three inches apart and get good results. They give the lath more stability by stretching two strands of wire about 1 to 1-1/2 feet from the top of the lath. Also to give additional soil protection be sure to add straw or hay mulch on your seeded area.

If is difficult to give you adequate information without seeing your problem. Therefore, may I suggest that you see Mr. Gallehugh ~ of the Soil Conservation Service in Sanford. His office is in the Court House Annex. He can no doubt give you further ideas, or direct you to someone that works in the vicinity of your shore property.

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Sincerely yours,

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February 5, 1963

Mr. S. Q. Bass Prudential Credit Corporation 223 Wicker Street Sanford, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bass:

Your letter of February 2, 1963, to the State Department of Conservation and Development regarding the procurement of sand fencing has been referred to this Department for reply.

It is our understanding that standard snow fence, which is the type usually used for sand fences, can be purchased from the Sears and Roebuck Company. It is suggested that you contact their nearest local agency for further information and prices.

Your interest in the problem of beach erosion control by means of sand fencing is appreciated. I hope that this information will be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Chief

Division of Navigable Waterways

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February 2, 1953

The Department of Agriculture Washington, D. C.

Subject: Wind Errosion Control With Sand Fences

Gentlemon:

I would like to know where I can obtain sand fence or snow fende to aid the controlling of errosion on my coastal North Carolina property.

The problem is, that I must stabilize the soil before I can get vegetation started on it.

I have not been able to locate a service for sand fence. I hope that some one in your department can help me.

Yours truly,

Sam Bass

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January 2, 1962

Office Manager A. S. C. Office Beauford, North Carolina

Dear Sir

I own some property on Core Banks. I have been corresponding with State College in Baleigh, with reference to what type of wind break coverage I could plant in the grassy areas of this property. The extention service at State has recommended slash pine and red cedar as having a good potential survival rate on this type of soil.

I would therefore, like to request application forms for government assistance in planting about fifty acres of pine and cedar as wind break and soft errosion protection.

I will appreciate very much yoursessistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

S. Q. Bass

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Messrs. Sam Whitehurst and Ned Delemar Co-Chairmen Appropriation Subcommittee North Carolina Legislative Building Raleigh, North Carolina

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Dear Messrs. Whitehurst and Delemar:

I appreciate very much the opportunity given me to speak to your appropriation subcommittee. I was made to feel welcome and free to speak my thoughts, which I did.

I have some other thoughts on this matter of conserving our Outer Banks, I do not present myself as an authority but only as an interested party with some experience on the banks.

The North Carolina Seashore Park Commission under the chairmanship of Mr. Woodrow Price has presented us with only one solution to the errosion problem on our outer banks. The solution for the section of coastline from Okrecoke Inlet to Morehead City seems to be to pump a sand dune up on the ocean side by dredging from the sound side. The cost of such a dune has been estimated at between six to eight million dollars. All of this is supposedly contained in a Corps of Engineers study report which is not complete yet. No one as yet knows what the specific recommendations of the engineers will be. I do not believe that the engineers will present this as the only feasable method of obtaining a dune along this section of beach. It appears to me that much of the area under discussion here could be built up with sand fence and vegetation in much the same way as the Hatteras National Seashore Park has been built up over the years. Some of the low areas, like much of Portsmouth Island, probably need sand pumped in from other areas, but the great majority of Core and Shakleford Banks are sufficiently high to be built up with a continuous program of sand fencing and vegetation cultivation. I understand that the state has conducted some studies on Portsmouth Island using sand fence but the experiment was not successful due to the extreme low elevation of this island. However, I am not aware of any efforts having been made on Core Banks. You may recall that the Cape Hatteras lighthouse was virtually rescued from the sea with sand fence.

While a pumped up dune all the way up Core Banks might be the quickest method of getting a dune, it would probably also be the most expensive way. If the cost of this method is so high that the State of North Carolina is going to have to give the banks away to the Federal Government in order to get the work done, I feel very strongly that other methods should be studied more carefully. It is my very strong opinion that if Core and Shakleford Banks were in the hands of the National Park Service now, they would in fact build these banks up with sand fence and vegetation rather than the vastly more expensive dredging operation. The National Park Service has done a tremendous amount of good work in the Hatteras Seashore ^Park with sand fence, and I seem to recall reading somewhere that they have spent only about \$1,900,000.00 on reclamation work since they began the park. I can not vouch for the accuracy of this figure, but I am sure you can get the actual cost from the Park Service. In summarizing my feelings and thoughts on this matter, I would put it this way:

When the Governor charged this commission in Nags Head in August 1962, he asked the Commission to consider whether a Seashore Park could be established from the Virginia line to the ^Morehead City area. In my opinion the main objective of this commission has been to try to justify such a park. Protection of the banks has been the public theme of this commission but the protection has been presented to us as being so expensive and so urgent that there is nothing we can do to save our banks but turn them over to the National Park Service. I am afraid that this commission spent very little time considering alternatives to the park idea. I think that the government of North Carolina should consider long and hard the alternatives and the possibilities of state action before turning all of this land over to the federal government.

Again may I say thank you for the kind reception I received from your committee.

Sincerely yours,

Sam Bass, Property Owner Core Banks, North Carolina

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