CASE 2677: Application of UNION PROD. CO. for approval of the NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT AGREEMENT.

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April 20, 1964

Jake L. Hamon Vaughn Building Dallas 1, Texas

> Re: Northeast Lynch Unit Lea County, New Mexico Termination

Attention: Mr. W. T. LaGrone

#### Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands approved as of April 17, 1964, the termination of the Northeast Lynch Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Although your letter of April 14, 1964, requested termination effective April 15, 1964, we are terminating effective as of May 1, 1964, this date being arrived at by Mr. Carl Traywick, United States Geological Survey as being acceptable to the survey.

May 1, 1964, termination also being agreed to by you during telephone conversation on April 17th.

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We are Mailing four approved copies of this termination to the United States Geological Survey, Roswell, New Mexico, Attention Mr. John A. Anderson.

Very truly yours,

R. S. JOHNNY WALKER COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: (KRS.) Marian M. Rhea, Supervisor Unit Division

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CC: United States Geological Survey
P. O. Brawer 1857
Roswell, New Mexico
Attention: Mr. John A. Anderson
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Santa Fe, New Mexico

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April 17, 1964

Pan American Petroleum Corporation P. O. Box 268 Lubbock, Texas

Re: Long Draw Unit Eddy County, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. John H. Thompson

### Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands approved the Long Draw Unit, Eddy County, New Mexico as of April 16, 1964, subject to like approvel by the United States Geological Survey.

We are handing to your Mr. Charles E. Koch six originally signed Certificates together with Official Receipt No. G-40263 in the amount of Thirty Five (\$35.00).

Please furnish us a fully conformed copy of this Unit Agreement when approved by the United States Geological Survey.

Very truly yours.

E. S. JOHNSY WALKER COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

Mrs.) Marian M. Rhea, Supervisor Unit Division

ESW/mmr/v United States Geological Survey Roswell, New Mexico

> Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, New Mexico

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A. L. Porter, Jr. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico

Unit Agreement - Northeast Lynch Unit Area Lea County, New Mexico

We enclose herewith a fully executed and approved Dear Mr. Porter: copy of the above Unit Agreement. You will note that the Unit Agreement was approved by the Acting Director of the United States Geological Survey on December 13, 1962 and under Section 20 of the Agreement it is effective as of that date. Attached to the Agreement are executed copies of all of the consents and ratifications executed by the various parties.

The enclosed copy is filed with you in compliance with Order of the Commission entered on October 31, 1962 approving the Unit Agreement. Yours very truly,

HERVEY, DOW & HINKLE

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Encl.

Mr. J. H. Stroud Union Producing Company cc: P.O. Box 1407 Shreveport, Louisiana

Mr. Loyd K. Booth Union Producing Company P.O. Box 4306 Midland, Texas

Mr. Taylor LaGrone c/o Jake L. Hamon, Dallas, Tex.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 24, 1962

9 A.M., OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, as alternate examiner:

#### CASE 2646: (Continued)

Application of Texaco Inc., for permission to dispose of salt water, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to dispose of salt water into the Devonian formation through the Shell State of New Mexico "A" Well No. 3, located 990 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 2, Township 11 South, Range 37 East, Echols (Devonian) Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

- CASE 2669:
- Application of Amerada Petroleum Corporation for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the dual completion (conventional) of its L. M. Lambert Well No. 8, located in Unit B, Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce oil from the Monument Paddock and Monument Blinebry Pools through parallel tapered tubing strings.
- CASE 2670:
- Application of Elwyn C. Hale for a quadruple completion, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the quadruple completion (combination) of his Hale State Well No. 3, located in Unit H of Section 2, Township 25 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce oil from the Devonian, McKee, Waddell and Ellenburger Pools, North Justis Field, through two strings of 2 7/8 inch casing and two strings of 3 ½ inch casing all cemented in a common well bore.
- CASE 2671:
- Application of The Pure Oil Company for approval of the Red Hills Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Red Hills Unit Agreement covering 28,796 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and fee lands in Township 25 South, Ranges 32 and 33 East, and Township 26 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

-2-Docket No. 31-62

Examiner Hearing Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1962

CASE 2672: Application of Skelly Oil Company for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the West Dollarhide Queen Sand Unit Agreement comprising 2563 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and fee lands in Townships 24 and 25 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2673: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a secondary recovery project, West Dollarhide Queen Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to institute a secondary recovery project in the West Dollarhide Queen Pool with the injection of water into the Queen formation through 28 wells located in Sections 19, 29, 30, 31, and 32, Township 24 South, Range 38 East, and Sections 4, 5, and 6, Township 25 South, Range 38 East, Lea County, New Mexico, said project to be governed by the provisions of Rule 701.

CASE 2674: Application of Texaco Inc. for two non-standard gas proration units, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of two 120-acre non-standard gas proration units in the Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the first to comprise the E/2 SE/4 of Section 30 and the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 31, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to its J. K. Rector Well No. 2, located in Unit P of said Section 30. The second unit would comprise the W/2 SE/4 of Section 30 and the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 31, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, and would be dedicated to its J. K. Rector Well No. 3 located in Unit J of said Section 30.

CASE 2675: Application of Shar-Alan Oil Company for an unorthodox well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to drill its No. 1-A Jicarilla "F" Well No. 160 at an unorthodox well location 2310 feet from the North and East lines of Section 13, Township 23 North, Range 2 West, South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 2676: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an unorthodox location, and a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the dual completion (conventional) of its Lillie Well No. 3 in the Fowler-Fusselman and Fowler-Ellenburger Pools, Lea County, Mexico. Said well is presently completed in the Fowler-Fusselman Pool at an unorthodox Fowler-Ellenburger location 2310 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the West line

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of Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 37 East. Applicant proposes to dedicate 40 acres comprising the SW/4 NW/4 of said Section 23 to the Ellenburger completion.

**CASE 2677:** 

Application of Union Producing Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Northwest Lynch Unit Agreement embracing 3040 acres, more or less, of State and Federal lands in Township 20 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 2678:

Application of Kern County Land Company for an order establishing special rules and regulations for the East Saunders Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order establishing special rules and regulations for the East Saunders Permo-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to include provisions for 160 acre drilling and proration units therein.

CASE 2679:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit R. L. Lusk, Jr., and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Gulf State Well No. 1, located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 2680:

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission, on its own motion, to permit M. G. Peters Drilling Company and all interested parties to appear and show cause why the Gulf State Well No. 1, located 1650 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 27 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, and the Hightower State Well No. 1, located 846 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 16, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, Chaves County, New Mexico, should not be plugged in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 2681:

Application of Kennedy Oil Company for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above—styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Square Lake Pool by the injection of water into the Grayburg-San Andres formations through three wells located in Section 28, Township 16 South, Range 31 East, Applicant further seeks the establishment of a capacity buffer zone allowable for the proposed project area which offsets a capacity type flood and comprises the S/2 SE/4, E/2 SW/4, and S/2 NW/4 of said Section 28.

# FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT AREA LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

NO.14-08-0001 8485

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the <u>8rm</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1962, by and between the parties subscribing, ratifying, or consenting hereto, and herein referred to as the "parties hereto,"

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are the owners of working, royalty, or other oil and gas interests in the unit area subject to this agreement; and

WHEREAS the Mineral Leasing Act of Bebruary 25, 1920, 41
Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U. S. C. Secs. 181 et seq., authorizes
Federal lessees and their representatives to unite with each other,
or jointly or separately with others, in collectively adopting and
operating a cooperative or unit plan of development or operation of
any oil or gas pool, field, or like area, or any part thereof for the
purpose of more properly conserving the natural resources thereof whenever determined and certified by the Secretary of the Interior to be
necessary or advisable in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of
New Mexico is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Sec. 7-11-39 N M,
Statutes 1953 Annotated) to consent to or approve this agreement on
behalf of the State of New Mexico, insofar as it covers and includes
lands and mineral interests of the State of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico is authorized by an act of the Legislature (Chapter 72, Laws of 1935, as amended by Chapter 193, Laws of 1937, Chapter 166, Laws of 1941, and Chapter 168, Laws of 1949) to approve this agreement and the conservation provisions hereof; and

WHEREAS the parties hereto hold sufficient interests in the Northeast Lynch Unit Area covering the land hereinafter described to give reasonably effective control of operations therein; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the parties hereto to conserve natural resources, prevent waste, and secure other benefits obtainable through development and operation of the area subject to this agreement under the terms, conditions and limitations herein set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the promises herein contained, the parties hereto commit to this agreement their respective interests in the below-defined unit area, and agree severally among themselves as follows:

- 1. ENABLING ACT AND REGULATIONS. The Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, supra, and all valid pertinent regulations, including operating and unit plan regulations, heretofore issued thereunder or valid, pertinent, and reasonable regulations hereafter issued thereunder are accepted and made a part of this agreement as to Federal lands, provided such regulations are not inconsistent with the terms of this agreement; and as to State of New Mexico and privately owned lands, the oil and gas operating regulations in effect as of the effective date hereof governing drilling and producing operations, not inconsistent with the terms hereof or the laws of the State of New Mexico are hereby accepted and made a part of this agreement.
  - 2. UNIT AREA. The following described land is hereby desig-

nated and recognized as constituting the unit area:

## T-20-S, R-35-E, NMPM

S₹ Sec. 8; S₹ Sec. 9;

Sec. 16; A11

A11 Sec. 17;

Sec. 20; Ny and SEX

Sec. 21; A11

Containing 3,040 acres, more or less.

Exhibit A attached hereto is a map showing the unit area and the boundaries and identity of tracts and leases in said area to the extent known to the Unit Operator. Exhibit B attached hereto is a schedule showing to the extent known to the Unit Operator the acreage, percentage, and kind of ownership of oil and gas interests in all land in the unit area. However, nothing herein or in said schedule or map shall be construed as a representation by any party hereto as to the ownership of any interest other than such interest or interests as are shown in said map or schedule as owned by such party. Exhibits A and B shall be revised by the Unit Operator whenever changes in the unit area render such revision necessary, or when requested by the Oil and Gas Supervisor, hereinafter referred to as "Supervisor," or when requested by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as "State Commissioner," and not less than seven copies of the revised exhibits shall be filed with the Supervisor, and two (2) copies thereof shall be filed with the State Commissioner and one (1) copy with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as "State Commission."

The above-described unit area shall when practicable be expanded to include therein any additional tract or tracts regarded as reasonably necessary or advisable for the purposes of this agreement, or shall be contracted to exclude lands not within any participating area whenever such expansion or contraction is necessary or advisable to conform with the purposes of this agreement. Such expansion or contraction shall be effected in the following manner:

- (a) Unit Operator, on its own motion or on demand of the Director of the Geological Survey, hereinafter referred to as "Director," or on demand of the State Commissioner, after preliminary concurrence by the Director, shall prepare a notice of proposed expansion or contraction describing the contemplated changes in the boundaries of the unit area, the reasons therefor, and the proposed effective date thereof, preferably the first day of a month subsequent to the date of notice.
- (b) Said notice shall be delivered to the Supervisor, the State Commissioner and the State Commission and copies thereof mailed to the last known address of each working interest owner, lessee, and lessor whose interests are affected, advising that 30 days will be allowed for submission to the Unit Operator of any objections.
- (c) Upon expiration of the 30-day period provided in the preceding item (b) hereof, Unit Operator shall file with the Supervisor, the State Commissioner and the State Commission evidence of mailing of the notice of expansion or contraction and a copy of any objections thereto which have been filed with the Unit Operator, together with an application in sufficient number, for approval of such expansion or contraction and with appropriate joinders.
- (d) After due consideration of all pertinent information, the expansion or contraction shall, upon approval by the Director, the State Commissioner and the State Commission, become effective as of the late

prescribed in the notice thereof.

(e) All legal subdivisions of unitized lands (i.e., 40 acres by Government survey or its nearest lot or tract equivalent in instances of irregular surveys, however, unusually large lots or tracts shall be considered in multiples of 40 acres, or the nearest aliquot equivalent thereof, for the purpose of elimination under this subsection), no parts of which are entitled to be in a participating area within 5 years after the first day of the month following the effective date of the first initial participating area established under this unit agreement, shall be eliminated automatically from this agreement, effective as of the first day thereafter, and such lands shall no longer be a part of the unit area and shall no longer be subject to this agreement, unless at the expiration of said 5-year period diligent drilling operations are in progress on unitized lands not entitled to participation, in which event all such lands shall remain subject hereto for so long as such drilling operations are continued diligently, with not more than 90 days' time elapsing between the completion of one such well and the commencement of the next such well, except that the time allowed between such wells shall not expire earlier than 30 days after the expiration of any period of time during which drilling operations are prevented by a matter beyond the reasonable control of unit operator as set forth in the section hereof entitled "Unavoidable Delay"; provided that all legal subdivisions of lands not in a participating area and not entitled to become participating under the applicable provisions of this agreement within 10 years after said first day of the month following the effective date of said first initial participating area shall be eliminated as above specified. Determination of creditable "Unavoidable Delay" time

shall be made by unit operator and subject to approval of the Director and the State Commissioner. The unit operator shall, within 90 days after the effective date of any elimination hereunder, describe the area so eliminated to the satisfaction of the Director and the State Commissioner and promptly notify all parties in interest.

If conditions warrant extension of the 10-year period specified in this subsection 2(e), a single extension of not to exceed two years may be accomplished by consent of the owners of 90 percent of the current unitized working interests and 60 percent of the current unitized basic royalty interests (exclusive of the basic royalty interests of the United States), on a total-nonparticipating-acreage basis, respectively, with approval of the Director, and the State Commissioner provided such extension application is submitted to the State Commissioner and the Director not later than 60 days prior to the expiration of said 10-year period.

Any expansion of the unit area pursuant to this section which embraces lands theretofore eliminated pursuant to this subsection 2(e) shall not be considered automatic commitment or recommitment of such lands.

- 3. UNITIZED LAND AND UNITIZED SUBSTANCES. All land committed to this agreement shall constitute land referred to herein as "unitized land" or "land subject to this agreement." All oil and gas in any and all formations of the unitized land are unitized under the terms of this agreement and herein are called "unitized substances."
- 4. UNIT OPERATOR. Jake L. Hamon of Dallas, Texas, is hereby designated as Unit Operator and by signature hereto as Unit Operator commits to this agreement all interests in unitized substances vested in him

and agrees and consents to accept the duties and obligations of Unit Operator for the discovery, development and production of unitized substances as herein provided. Whenever reference is made herein to the Unit Operator, such reference means the Unit Operator acting in that capacity and not as owner of interest in unitized substances, and the term "working interest owner" when used herein shall include or refer to Unit Operator as the owner of a working interest when such an interest is owned by him.

shall have the right to resign at any time prior to the establishment of a participating area or areas hereunder, but such resignation shall not become effective so as to release Unit Operator from the duties and obligations of Unit Operator and terminate Unit Operator's rights as such for a period of 6 months after notice of intention to resign has been served by Unit Operator on all working interest owners and the Director, the State Commissioner and State Commission and until all wells then drilled hereunder are placed in a satisfactory condition for suspension or abandonment whichever is required by the Supervisor as to Federal lands and by the State Commission as to State and privately owned lands unless a new Unit Operator shall have been selected and approved and shall have taken over and assumed the duties and obligations of Unit Operator prior to the expiration of said period.

Unit Operator shall have the right to resign in like manner and subject to like limitations, as above provided, at any time a participating area established hereunder is in existence, but, in all instances of resignation or removal, until a successor unit operator is selected and approved as hereinafter provided, the working interest

owners shall be jointly responsible for performance of the duties of unit operator, and shall not later than 30 days before such resignation or removal becomes effective appoint a common agent to represent them in any action to be taken hereunder.

The resignation of Unit Operator shall not release Unit
Operator from any liability for any default by it hereunder occurring
prior to the effective date of its resignation.

The Unit Operator may, upon default or failure in the performance of its duties or obligations hereunder, be subject to removal by the same percentage vote of the owners of working interests determined in like manner as herein provided for the selection of a new Unit Operator. Such removal shall be effective upon notice thereof to the Director and the State Commissioner.

The resignation or removal of Unit Operator under this agreement shall not terminate its right, title, or interest as the owner of a working interest or other interest in unitized substances, but upon the resignation or removal of Unit Operator becoming effective, such Unit Operator shall deliver possession of all equipment, materials, and appurtenances used in conducting the unit operations and owned by the working interest owners to the new duly qualified successor Unit Operator or to the owners thereof if no such new Unit Operator is elected, to be used for the purpose of conducting unit operations hereunder. Nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing removal of any material, equipment and appurtenances needed for the preservation of any wells.

6. SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR Whenever the Unit Operator shall tender his or its resignation as Unit Operator or shall be removed as hereinabove provided, or a change of Unit Operator is negotiated by working interest owners, the owners of the working interests in the par-

ticipating area or areas according to their respective acreage interests in such participating area or areas, or, until a participating area sha 1 have been established, the owners of the working interests according to their respective acreage interests in all unitized land, shall by majority vote select a successor Unit Operator: Provided, That, if a majority but less than 75 percent of the working interests qualified to vote are owned by one party to this agreement, a concurring vote of one or more additional working interest owners shall be required to select a new operator. Such selection shall not become effective until:

- (a) a Unit Operator so selected shall accept in writing the duties and responsibilities of Unit Operator, and
- (b) the selection shall have been filed with the Supervisor and approved by the State Commissioner. If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Director and State Commissioner at their election may declare this unit agreement terminated.
- 7. ACCOUNTING PROVISIONS AND UNIT OPERATING AGREEMENT. If the Unit Operator is not the sole owner of working interests, costs and expenses incurred by Unit Operator in conducting unit operations hereunder shall be paid and apportioned among and borne by the owners of working interests, all in accordance with the agreement or agreements entered into by and between the Unit Operator and the owners of working interests, whether one or more, separately or collectively. Any agreement or agreements entered into between the working interest owners and the Unit Operator as provided in this section, whether one or more, are herein referred to as the "unit operating agreement." Such unit operating agreement shall also provide the manner in which the working interest owners shall be entitled to receive their respective proportionate and al-

located share of the benefits accruing hereto in conformity with their underlying operating agreements, leases, or other independent contracts, and such other rights and obligations as between Unit Operator and the working interest owners as may be agreed upon by Unit Operator and the working interest owners; how-ever, no such unit operating agreement shall be deemed either to modify any of the terms and conditions of this unit agreement or to relieve the Unit Operator of any right or obligation established under this unit agreement, and in case of any inconsistency or conflict between the unit agreement and the unit operating agreement, this unit agreement shall prevail. Three (3) true copies of any unit operating agreement executed pursuant to this section should be filed with the Supervisor and one (1) true copy with the Commissioner, prior to approval of this unit agreement by the Director.

8. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF UNIT OPERATOR. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the exclusive right, privilege, and duty of exercising any and all rights of the parties hereto which are necessary or convenient for prospecting for, producing, storing, allocating, and distributing the unitized substances are hereby delegated to and shall be exercised by the Unit Operator as herein provided. Acceptable evidence of title to said rights shall be deposited with said Unit Operator and, together with this agreement, shall constitute and define the rights, privileges, and obligations of Unit Operator. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed to transfer title to any land or to any lease or operating agreement, it being understood that under this agreement the Unit Operator, in its capacity as Unit Operator, shall exercise the rights of possession and use vested in the parties hereto only for the purposes herein specified.

9. DRILLING TO DISCOVERY. Within 6 months after the effective date hereof, the Unit Operator shall begin to drill an adequate test well at a location approved by the Supervisor if on Federal land or by the State Commissioner if on State Land, unless on such effective date a well is being drilled conformably with the terms hereof, and thereafter continue such drilling diligently until the Devonian formations have been tested or until at a lesser depth unitized substances shall be discovered which can be produced in paying quantities (to wit: quantities sufficient to repay the costs of drilling, and producing operations, with a reasonable profit) or the Unit Operator shall at any time establish to the satisfaction of the Supervisor if on Federal land, of the State Commissioner if on State land, that further drilling of said well would be unwarranted or impracticable, provided; however, that Unit Operator shall not in any event be required to drill said well to a depth in excess of 15,000 feet. Until the discovery of a deposit of unitized substances capable of being produced in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall continue drilling diligently one well at a time, allowing not more than 6 months between the completion of one well and the beginning of the next well, until a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities is completed to the satisfaction of said Supervisor if it be on Federal land or of the State Commissioner if on State land, or until it is reasonably proved that the unitized land is incapable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations drilled hereunder. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit the right of the Unit Operator to resign as provided in Section 5 hereof, or as requiring Unit Operator to commence or continue any drilling during the period pending such resignation becoming effective in order to comply with the requirements of this section. The Director and State Commissioner may modify the drilling requirements of this section by granting reasonable extensions of time when, in their opinion, such action is warranted.

Upon failure to comply with the drilling provisions of this section, the Director and State Commissioner may, after reasonable notice to the Unit Operator, and each working interest owner, lessee, and lessor at their last known addresses, declare this unit agreement terminated.

10. PLAN OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION. Within 6 months after completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner an acceptable plan of development and operation for the unitized land which, when approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner, shall constitute the further drilling and operating obligations of the Unit Operator under this agreement for the period specified therein. Thereafter, from time to time before the expiration of any existing plan, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner a plan for an additional specified period for the development and operation of the unitized land. Any plan submitted pursuant to this section shall provide for the exploration of the unitized area and for the diligent drilling necessary for determination of the area or areas thereof capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in each and every productive formation and shall be as complete and adequate as the Supervisor and the State Commissioner may determine to be necessary for timely development and proper conservation of the oil and gas resources

of the unitized area and shall:

- (a) specify the number and locations of wells to be drilled and the proposed order and time for such drilling; and
- (b) to the extent practicable specify the operating practices regarded as necessary and advisable for proper conservation of natural resources. Separate plans may be submitted for separate productive zones, subject to the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner. Said plan or plans shall be modified or supplemented when necessary to meet changed conditions or to protect the interests of all parties to this agreement. Reasonable diligence shall be exercised in complying with the obligations of the approved plan of development. The Supervisor and State Commissioner are authorized to grant a reasonable extension of the 6 month period herein prescribed for submission of an initial plan of development where such action is justified because of unusual conditions or circumstances. After completion hereunder of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, no further wells, except such as may be necessary to afford protection against operations not under this agreement or such as may be specifically approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner shall be drilled except in accordance with a plan of development approved as herein provided.
- 11. PARTICIPATION AFTER DISCOVERY. Upon completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall, within the month of such completion, if practicable, or as soon thereafter as required by the Supervisor or the State Commissioner submit for approval by the Director and the State Commissioner a schedule, based on subdivisions of the public-land survey or aliquot

parts thereof, of all unitized land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive of unitized substances in paying quantities; all lands in said schedule on approval of the Director and the State Commissioner to constitute a participating area, effective as of the date of completion of such well or the effective date of the unit agreement, whichever is later. The acreages of both Federal and non-Federal lands shall be based upon appropriate computations from the courses and distances shown on the last approved public-land survey as of the effective date of the initial participating area. Said schedule also shall set forth the percentage of unitized substances to be allocated as herein provided to each unitized tract in the participating area so established, and shall govern the allocation of production from and after the date the participating area becomes effective. A separate participating area shall be established in like manner for each separate pool or deposit of unitized substances or for any group thereof produced as a single pool or zone, and any two or more participating areas so established may be combined into one with the consent of the owners of all working interests in the lands within the participating areas so to be combined, on approval of the Director and the State Commissioner. The participating area or areas so established shall be revised from time to time, subject to like approval, whenever such action appears proper as a result of further drilling operations or otherwise, to include additional land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities, or to exclude land then regarded as reasonably proved not to be productive in paying quantities and the percentage of allocation shall also be revised accordingly. The effective date of any revision shall be the first of the month in which is obtained the knowledge or information on which such revision is predicated, provided, however, that a more appropriate effective date may be used if justified by the Unit Operator and approved by the Director and the State Commissioner. No

land shall be excluded from a participating area on account of depletion of the unitized substances.

It is the intent of this section that a participating area shall represent the area known or reasonably estimated to be productive in paying quantities; but, regardless of any revision of the participating area, nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring any retroactive adjustment for production obtained prior to the effective date of the revision of the participating area.

In the absence of agreement at any time between the Unit
Operator and the Director and the State Commissioner as to the proper
definition or redefinition of a participating area, or until a participating area has, or areas have, been established as provided herein,
the portion of all payments affected thereby may be impounded in a manner
mutually acceptable to the owners of working interests, except royalties
due the United States and the State of New Mexico, which shall be determined by the Supervisor for Federal lands and the State Commissioner
for State lands and the amount thereof deposited, as directed by the
Supervisor and the State Commissioner respectively, to be held as unearned money until a participating area is finally approved and then
applied as earned or returned in accordance with a determination of the
sum due as Federal and State royalty on the basis of such approved participating area.

Whenever it is determined, subject to the approval of the Supervisor, as to wells drilled on Federal land and of the State Commissioner as to wells drilled on State land, that a well drilled under this agreement is not capable of production in paying quantities and inclusion of the land on which it is situated in a participating area is

unwarranted, production from such well shall, for the purposes of settlement among all parties other than working interest owners, be allocated to the land on which the well is located so long as such land is not within a participating area established for the pool or deposit from which such production is obtained. Settlement for working interest benefits from such a well shall be made as provided in the unit operating agreement.

12. ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION. All unitized substances produced from each participating area established under this agreement, except any part thereof used in conformity with good operating practices within the unitized area for drilling, operating, camp and other production or development purposes, for repressuring or recycling in accordance with a plan of development approved by the Supervisor, and State Commissioner, or unavoidably lost, shall be deemed to be produced equally on an acreage basis from the several tracts of unitized land of the participating area established for such production and, for the purpose of determining any benefits accruing under this agreement, each such tract of unitized land shall have allocated to it such percentage of said production as the number of acres of such tract included in said participating area bears to the total acres of unitized land in said participating area, except that allocation of production hereunder for purposes other than for settlement of the royalty, overriding royalty, or payment out of production obligations of the respective working interest owners, shall be on the basis prescribed in the unit operating agreement whether in conformity with the basis of allocation herein set forth or otherwise. It is hereby agreed that production of unitized substances from a participating area shall be allocated as provided herein regardless of whether any wells are drilled on any particular part or tract of said participating area. If any gas produced from one participating area is used for repressuring or recycling purposes in another participating area, the first gas withdrawn from such last-mentioned participating area for sale during the life of this agreement shall be considered to be the gas so transferred until an amount equal to that transferred shall be so produced for sale and such gas shall be allocated to the participating area from which initially produced as constituted at the time of such final production.

OR FORMATIONS. Any party hereto owning or controlling the working interest in any unitized land having thereon a regular well location may with the approval of the Supervisor, at such party's sole risk, costs, and expense, drill a well to test any formation for which a participating area has not been established or to test any formation for which a participating area has been established if such location is not within said participating area, unless within 90 days of receipt of notice from said party of his intention to drill the well the Unit Operator elects and commences to drill such a well in like manner as other wells are drilled by the Unit Operator under this agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner results in production such that the land upon which it is situated may properly be included in a participating area, such participating area

shall be established or enlarged as provided in this agreement and the well shall thereafter be operated by the Unit Operator in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the unit operating agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner obtains production in quantities insufficient to justify the inclusion in a participating area of the land upon which such well is situated, such well may be operated and produced by the party drilling the same subject to the conservation requirements of this agreement. The royalties in amount or value of production from any such well shall be paid as specified in the underlying lease and agreements affected.

14. ROYALTY SETTLEMENT. The United States and any State and all royalty owners who, under existing contract, are entitled to take in kind a share of the substances now unitized hereunder produced from any tract, shall hereafter be entitled to the right to take in kind their share of the unitized substances allocated to such tract, and Unit Operator, or in case of the operation of a well by a working interest owner as herein in special cases provided for, such working interest owner, shall make deliveries of such royalty share taken in kind in conformity with the applicable contracts, laws, and regulations. Settlement for royalty interest not taken in kind shall be made by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws and regulations on or before the last day of each month for unitized substances produced during the preceding calendar month; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any royalties due under their leases.

If gas obtained from lands not subject to this agreement is introduced into any participating area hereunder, for use in repressuring, stimulation of production, or increasing ultimate recovery, which shall be in conformity with a plan first approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner, a like amount of gas, after settlement as herein provided for any gas transferred from any other participating area and with due allowance for loss or depletion from any cause, may be withdrawn from the formation into which the gas was introduced, royalty free as to dry gas, but not as to the products extracted therefrom; provided that such withdrawal shall be at such time as may be provided in the plan of operations or as may otherwise be consented to by the Supervisor, and the State Commissioner as conforming to good petroleum engineering practice; and provided further, that such right of withdrawal shall terminate on the termination of this unit agreement.

Royalty due the United States shall be computed as provided in the operating regulations and paid in value or delivered in kind as to all unitized substances on the basis of the amounts thereof allocated to unitized Federal land as provided herein at the rates specified in the respective Federal leases, or at such lower rate or rates as may be authorized by law or regulation; provided, that for leases on which the royalty rate depends on the daily average production per well, said average production shall be determined in accordance with the operating regulations as though each participating area were a single consolidated lease.

Royalty due on account of State lands shall be computed and paid on the basis of all unitized substances allocated to such lands.

15. RENTAL SETTLEMENT. Rental or minimum royalties due on

leases committed hereto shall be paid by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws, and regulations, provided that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any rental or minimum royalty in lieu thereof due under their leases. Rental or minimum royalty for lands of the United States subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rate specified in the respective leases from the United States unless such rental or minimum royalty is waived, suspended, or reduced by law or by approval of the Secretary or his duly authorized representative.

Rentals on State of New Mexico lands subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rates specified in the respective leases.

With respect to any lease on non-Federal land containing provisions which would terminate such lease unless drilling operations were
within the time therein specified commenced upon the land covered thereby or rentals paid for the privilege of deferring such drilling operations, the rentals required thereby shall, notwithstanding any other
provision of this agreement, be deemed to accrue and become payable
during the term thereof as extended by this agreement and thereafter
until the required drilling operations are commenced upon the land covered
thereby or some portion of such land is included within a participating
area.

16. CONSERVATION. Operations hereunder and production of unitized substances shall be conducted to provide for the most economical and efficient recovery of said substances without waste, as defined by or pursuant to State or Federal law or regulation.

- 17. DRAINAGE. The Unit Operator shall take appropriate and adequate measures to prevent drainage of unitized substances from unitized land by wells on land not subject to this agreement, or, with the consent of the Director and the State Commissioner, pursuant to applicable regulations pay a fair and reasonable compensatory royalty.
- 18. LEASES AND CONTRACTS CONFORMED AND EXTENDED. The terms, conditions, and provisions of all leases, subleases, and other contracts relating to exploration, drilling, development, or operation for oil or gas of lands committed to this agreement are hereby expressly modified and amended to the extent necessary to make the same conform to the provisions hereof, but otherwise to remain in full force and effect; and the parties hereto hereby consent that the Secretary as to Federal leases and the State Commissioner as to State leases shall and each by his approval hereof, or by the approval hereof by his duly authorized representative, does hereby establish, alter, change, or revoke the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of Federal and State leases committed hereto and the regulations in respect thereto to conform said requirements to the provisions of this agreement, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all leases, subleases, and contracts are particularly modified in accordance with the following:
- (a) The development and operation of lands subject to this agreement under the terms hereof shall be deemed full performance of all obligations for development and operation with respect to each and every part or separately owned tract subject to this agreement, regardless of whether there is any development of any particular part or tract of the unit area, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any lease, opera-

ting agreement or other contract by and between the parties hereto, or their respective predecessors in interest, or any of them.

- (b) Drilling and producing operations performed hereunder upon any tract of unitized lands will be accepted and deemed to be performed upon and for the benefit of each and every tract of unitized land, and no lease shall be deemed to expire by reason of failure to drill or produce wells situated on the land therein embraced.
- (c) Suspension of drilling or producing operations on all unitized lands pursuant to direction or consent of the Secretary and the State Commissioner, or their duly authorized representatives, shall be deemed to constitute such suspension pursuant to such direction or consent as to each and every tract of unitized land.
- (d) Any Federal lease for a fixed term of twenty (20) years or any renewal thereof or any part of such lease which is made subject to this agreement shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein until the termination hereof. Any other Federal lease committed hereto shall continue in force beyond the term so provided therein or by law as to the land committed so long as such lease remains subject hereto, provided that production is had in paying quantities under this unit agreement prior to the expiration date of the term of such lease, or in the event actual drilling operations are commenced on unitized land, in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, prior to the end of the primary term of such lease and are being diligently prosecuted at that time, such lease shall be extended for two years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act Revision of 1960.

- (e) Each sublease or contract relating to the operation and development of unitized substances from lands of the United States committed to this agreement, which by its terms would expire prior to the time at which the underlying lease, as extended by the immediately preceding paragraph, will expire, is hereby extended beyond any such term so provided therein so that it shall be continued in full force and effect for and during the term of the underlying lease as such term is herein extended.
- (f) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico which is made subject to this agreement, shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein as to the lands committed hereto until the termination hereof.
- (g) The segregation of any Federal lease committed to this agreement is governed by the following provision in the fourth paragraph of Sec. 17(j) of the Mineral Leasing Act, as amended by the Act of September 2, 1960 (74 Stat. 781-784): "Any (Federal) lease heretofore or hereafter committed to any such (unit) plan embracing lands that are in part within and in part outside of the area covered by any such plan shall be segregated into separate leases as to the lands committed and the lands not committed as of the effective date of unitization: Provided, however, That any such lease as to the non-unitized portion shall continue in force and effect for the term thereof but for not less than two years from the date of such segregation and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities."
- (h) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico having only a portion of its lands committed hereto, shall be segregated as to the portion committed and the portion not committed, and the terms

of such lease shall apply separately to such segregated portions commencing as of the effective date hereof; provided, however, notwithstanding any of the provisions of this agreement to the contrary any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico having only a portion of its lands committed hereto shall continue in full force and effect beyond the term provided therein as to all lands embraced in such lease, if oil or gas is discovered and is capable of being produced in paying quantities from some part of the lands embraced in such lease at the expiration of the secondary term of such lease; or if, at the expiration of the secondary term, the Lessee or the Unit Operator is then engaged in bona fide drilling or reworking operations on some part of the lands embraced in such lease, the same, as to all lands embraced therein, shall remain in full force and effect so long as such operations are being diligently prosecuted, and if they result in the production of oil or gas, said lease shall continue in full force and effect as to all of the lands embraced therein, so long thereafter as oil or gas in paying quantities is being produced from any portion of said lands.

19. COVENANTS RUN WITH LAND. The covenants herein shall be construed to be covenants running with the land with respect to the interest of the parties hereto and their successors in interest until this agreement terminates, and any grant, transfer, or conveyance, of interest in land or leases subject hereto shall be and hereby is conditioned upon the assumption of all privileges and obligations hereunder by the grantee, transferee, or other successor in interest. No assignment or transfer of any working interest, royalty, or other interest subject hereto shall be binding upon Unit Operator until the

first day of the calendar month after Unit Operator is furnished with the original, photostatic, or certified copy of the instrument of transfer.

- 20. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Director and the State Commissioner or their duly authorized representatives as of the date of approval by the Director and shall terminate five (5) years from said effective date unless:
- (a) such date of expiration is extended by the Director and the State Commissioner, or
- (b) it is reasonably determined prior to the expiration of the fixed term or any extension thereof that the unitized land is incapable of production of unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations tested hereunder and after notice of intention to terminate the agreement on such ground is given by the Unit Operator to all parties in interest at their last known addresses, the agreement is terminated with the approval of the Director and State Commissioner, or
- (c) a valuable discovery of unitized substances has been made or accepted on unitized land during said initial term or any extension thereof, in which event the agreement shall remain in effect for such term and so long as unitized substances can be produced in quantities sufficient to pay for the cost of producing same from wells on unitized land within any participating area established hereunder and, should production cease, so long thereafter as diligent operations are in progress for the restoration of production or discovery of new production and so long thereafter as the unitized substances so discovered can be produced as aforesaid, or

(d) it is terminated as heretofore provided in this agreement.

This agreement may be terminated at any time by not less than
75 per centum, on an acreage basis, of the owners of working interests
signatory hereto, with the approval of the Director and State Commissioner; notice of any such approval to be given by the Unit Operator
to all parties hereto.

21. RATE OF PROSPECTING, DEVELOPMENT, AND PRODUCTION. The Director is hereby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such quantity and rate is not fixed pursuant to Federal or State law or does not conform to any state-wide voluntary conservation or allocation program, which is established, recognized, and generally adhered to by the majority of operators in such State, such authority being hereby limited to alteration or modification in the public interest, the purpose thereof and the public interest to be served thereby to be stated in the order of alteration or modification. Without regard to the foregoing, the Director is also hereby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the rate of prospecting and development and the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such alteration or modification is in the interest of attaining the conservation objectives stated in this agreement and is not in violation of any applicable Federal or State law; Provided, further, that no such alteration or modification shall be effective as to any land of the State of New Mexico, as to the rate of prospecting and developing in the absence of the specific written approval thereof by the State Commissioner and as to any lands of the State of New Mexico or privately owned lands subject to this agreement as to the quantity and rate of production in the absence of specific written approval thereof by the Commission.

Powers in this section vested in the Director shall only be exercised after notice to Unit Operator and opportunity for hearing to be held not less than 15 days from notice.

- 22. CONFLICT OF SUPERVISION. Neither the Unit Operator nor the working interest owners nor any of them shall be subject to any forfeiture, termination or expiration of any rights hereunder or under any leases or contracts subject hereto, or to any penalty or liability on account of delay or failure in whole or in part to comply with any applicable provision thereof to the extent that the Unit Operator, working interest owners or any of them are hindered, delayed or prevented from complying therewith by reason of failure of the Unit Operator to obtain in the exercise of due diligence, the concurrence of proper representatives of the United States and proper representatives of the State of New Mexico in and about any matters or thing concerning which it is required herein that such concurrence be obtained. The parties hereto, including the State Commission. agree that all powers and authority vested in the State Commission in and by any provisions of this agreement are vested in the State Commission and shall be exercised by it pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of New Mexico and subject in any case to appeal or judicial review as may now or hereafter be provided by the laws of the State of New Mexico.
- 23. APPEARANCES. Unit Operator shall, after notice to other parties affected, have the right to appear for and on behalf of any and all interests affected hereby before the Department of the Interior, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and to appeal from orders issued under the regulations of said Department, the State Commission or State Commissioner or to apply for relief from any of said regulations or in any proceedings relative to operations before the Department of the Interior, the State Commissioner, or State Commission or any other

legally constituted authority; provided, however, that any other interested party shall also have the right at his own expense to be heard in any such proceeding.

- 24. NOTICES. All notices, demands or statements required hereunder to be given or rendered to the parties hereto shall be deemed fully given if given in writing and personally delivered to the party or sent by postpaid registered or certified mail, addressed to such party or parties at their respective addresses set forth in connection with the signatures hereto or to the ratification or consent hereof or to such other address as any such party may have furnished in writing to party sending the notice, demand or statement.
- 25. NO WAIVER OF CERTAIN RIGHTS. Nothing in this agreement contained shall be construed as a waiver by any party hereto of the right to assert any legal or constitutional right or defense as to the validity or invalidity of any law of the State wherein said unitized lands are located, or of the United States, or regulations issued thereunder in any way affecting such party, or as a waiver by any such party of any right beyond his or its authority to waive.
- 26. UNAVOIDABLE DELAY. All obligations under this agreement requiring the Unit Operator to commence or continue drilling or to operate on or produce unitized substances from any of the lands covered by this agreement shall be suspended while, but only so long as, the Unit Operator despite the exercise of due care and diligence is prevented from complying with such obligations, in whole or in part, by strikes, acts of God, Federal, State, or municipal law or agencies, unavoidable accidents, uncontrollable delays in transportation, inability to obtain necessary materials in open market, or other matters beyond

the reasonable control of the Unit Operator whether similar to matters herein enumerated or not.

27. NONDISCRIMINATION. In connection with the performance of work under this agreement, the operator agrees to comply with all of the provisions of section 301 (1) to (7) inclusive, of Executive Order 10925 (26 F. R. 1977), which are hereby incorporated by reference in this agreement.

28. LOSS OF TITLE. In the event title to any tract of unitized land shall fail and the true owner cannot be induced to join in this unit agreement, such tract shall be automatically regarded as not committed hereto and there shall be such readjustment of future costs and benefits as may be required on account of the loss of such title. In the event of a dispute as to title as to any royalty, working interest, or other interests subject thereto, payment or delivery on account thereof may be withheld without liability for interest until the dispute is finally settled; provided, that, as to Federal and State land or leases, no payments of funds due the United States or the State of New Mexico should be withheld, but such funds of the United States shall be deposited as directed by the Supervisor and such funds of the State of New Mexico shall be deposited as directed by the State Commissioner to be held as unearned money pending final settlement of the title dispute, and then applied as earned or returned in accordance with such final settlement.

Unit Operator as such is relieved from any responsibility for any defect or failure of any title hereunder.

29. NON-JOINDER AND SUBSEQUENT JOINDER. If the owner of any substantial interest in a tract within the unit area fails or refuses to subscribe or consent to this agreement, the owner of the working interest in that tract may withdraw said tract from this agreement by written notice to the Director, the State Commissioner, and the Unit Operator prior to the approval of this agreement by the Director and State Commissioner. Any oil or gas interests in lands within the unit area not committed hereto prior to submission of this agreement for final approval may thereafter be committed hereto by the owner or owners thereof subscribing or consenting to this agreement, and, if the interest is a working interest, by the owner of such interest also subscribing to the unit operating agreement. After operations are commenced hereunder, the right of subsequent joinder, as provided in this section, by a working interest owner is subject to such requirements or approvals, if any, pertaining to such joinder, as may be provided for in the unit operating agreement. After final approval hereof joinder by a non-working interest owner must be consented to in writing by the working interest owner committed hereto and responsible for the payment of any benefits that may accrue hereunder in behalf of such non-working interest. Joinder by any owner of a non-working interest, at any time, must be accompanied by appropriate joinder by the owner of the corresponding working interest in order for the interest to be regarded as committed hereto. Joinder to the unit agreement by a workinginterest owner, at any time, must be accompanied by appropriate joinder to the unit operating agreement, if more than one committed workinginterest owner is involved, in order for the interest to be regarded as committed to this unit agreement. Except as may otherwise

herein be provided, subsequent joinders to this agreement shall be effective as of the first day of the month following the filing with the Supervisor and the State Commissioner of duly executed counterparts of all or any papers necessary to establish effective commitment of any tract to this agreement unless objection to such joinder is duly made within 60 days by the Director or State Commissioner.

30. COUNTERPARTS. This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts no one of which needs to be executed by all parties or may be ratified or consented to by separate instrument in writing specifically referring hereto and shall be binding upon all those parties who have executed such a counterpart, ratification, or consent hereto with the same force and effect as if all such parties had signed the same document and regardless of whether or not it is executed by all other parties owning or claiming an interest in the lands within the above-described unit area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed and set opposite their respective names the date of execution.

TAKE I. HAMON

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NANCY B. HAMON, his wife

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this State day of Trav., 1962, by R. M. MORAN and configurations.
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STATE OF <u>New Mexico</u> ) country of <u>Lea</u> ) ss.
day of November, 1962, by GRADY THOMPSON and wife
My Commission Expires:  A-25-1965  Notary Public
COUNTY OF ss.
day of <u>Savenshes</u> , 1962, by C. W. TRAINER <u>and wefe</u>
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public  Notary Public

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signed as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.
- Aagh J. Jung
- Die oo Ding
STATE OF The Mexico ss.
COUNTY OF Buschille
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
Billie/Trigg
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public  Notary Public
Marsh 19, 1966
STATE OF ss.
COUNTY OF
day of November, 1962, by Blanche S. Trigg
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My Commission Expires:

Notary Public

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Christ Wather House
Mariku Seatlustra
STATE OF NEW MEXICO )
COUNTY OF CHAVES )
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
9 day of November , 1962, by Olen F. Featherstone & wife,
- Martha Footherstone
Mr. Chambarian Frances Bearing to Musical
My Commission Expires:  October 26, 1963  Notary Public
STATE OF
COUNTY OF
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, 1962, by
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signed as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.  Buelah Arene Hannon
Millian Great Hanson
STATE OF NEW MEXICO Ss.  COUNTY OF CHAVES
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
9TH day of November , 1962, by Ernest A. Hanson & wife.
Beulah Irene Hanson
My Commission Expires:
Notary Public  Oct. 29, 1965
STATE OF ss.
COUNTY OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
day of, 1962, by
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My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

original of said Unit Agreement or a counterpart thereof.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the under-
signed as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.  Mozelle B. (Den Harly
STATE OF <u>Texas</u> COUNTY OF <u>(arson</u> )  ss.
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  20 th day of November, 1962, by A. D. Weatherly & wife,
Mozelle B. Weatherly
My Commission Expires:  MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 1, 1963  Notary Public  Notary Public
STATE OF
COUNTY OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
day of, 1962, by
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

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signed as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.  (alderelf). January  2ayr 1. Lauradyr
STATE OF TEXAS  COUNTY OF DALLAS  ss.
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
day of November, 1962, by Caldwell J. Saunders and
wife, Faye N. Saunders
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public  Notary Public In and for Bull Market Public In and For Bu
STATE OF
COUNTY OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
day of, 1962, by
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My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this is	nstrument is executed by the under-
signed as of the date set forth in the	neir respective acknowledgments
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STATE OF new on exico	
COUNTY OF No. 7	ss.
The foregoing inches	
The foregoing instrument was  // day of	s acknowledged before me this
Resentrix of the Estate of Woodlan P. Saunde	, 1962, by Virginia Lee Saunders,
My Commission Expires:	
My Commission expires October 5, 1963	Notary Public
STATE OF)	
COUNTY OF	s.
The foregoing instrument was day of	acknowledged before me this
day of	, 1962, by
My Commission Expires:	•
	Notary Public
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The undersigned, THOMAS ALLEN and JERUNE ALLEN, his wife, hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Unit Agreement for the Development and Operation of the Northeast Lynch Unit Area embracing lands situated in Lea County, New Mexico, which said agreement is dated the 8th day of November, 1962, and acknowledge that they have read the same and are familiar with the terms and conditions thereof. The undersigned also being the owners of the leasehold, royalty or other interests in the lands or minerals embraced in said unit area, as indicated on the schedule attached to said Unit Agreement as Exhibit "B", do hereby commit all of their said interests to the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement and do hereby consent thereto and ratify all of the terms and provisions thereof, exactly the same as if the undersigned had executed the original of said Unit Agreement or a counterpart thereof.

IN WITHESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the undersigned as of the date set forth in their acknowledgment.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )

SECURITY OF CHAVES

STATE OF CHAVES

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 16th day of November, 1962, by THOMAS ALLEN and JERUNE ALLEN, his wife.

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My Commission Empires:

August 2, 1966

original of said Unit Agreement or a counterpart thereof.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the under-
signed as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.  Soldie S. Warris
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  COUNTY OF Chaves  The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
loth day of November, 1962, by J. Hobert Davis & wife.
My Commission Expires: Coloqueth Binns Karman  August 2, 1966  Notary Public
STATE OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of, 1962, by
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

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Jan Pau Bece
STATE OF TEXAS )
COUNTY OF MIDLAND
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
16th. day of November, 1962, by JAMES SHELDON BELL
all LOIS PACE BELL
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public
STATE OF
COUNTY OF
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day of, 1962, by
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My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

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Erlyta Pickens Cobb
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MIDE AND
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this    14th day of   November   1962, by
and wife, Eslyta Flokens Cobb
My Commission Expires:  6-1-63  In and Notary Publicusty. Texas  (Norma Q. Cobo)
STATE OF SS.
COUNTY OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of, 1962, by
My Commission Expires:  Notary Public

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the undersigned as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments. STATE OF SS. CLIT 4 COUNTY OF DENVER The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this , 1962, by E. C. PARENTE, 13ch day of PRODUCTION HAMMER My Commission Expires: My Commission expires March 23, 1964 STATE OF ss. COUNTY OF The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_, 1962, by \_\_ My Commission Expires: Notary Public

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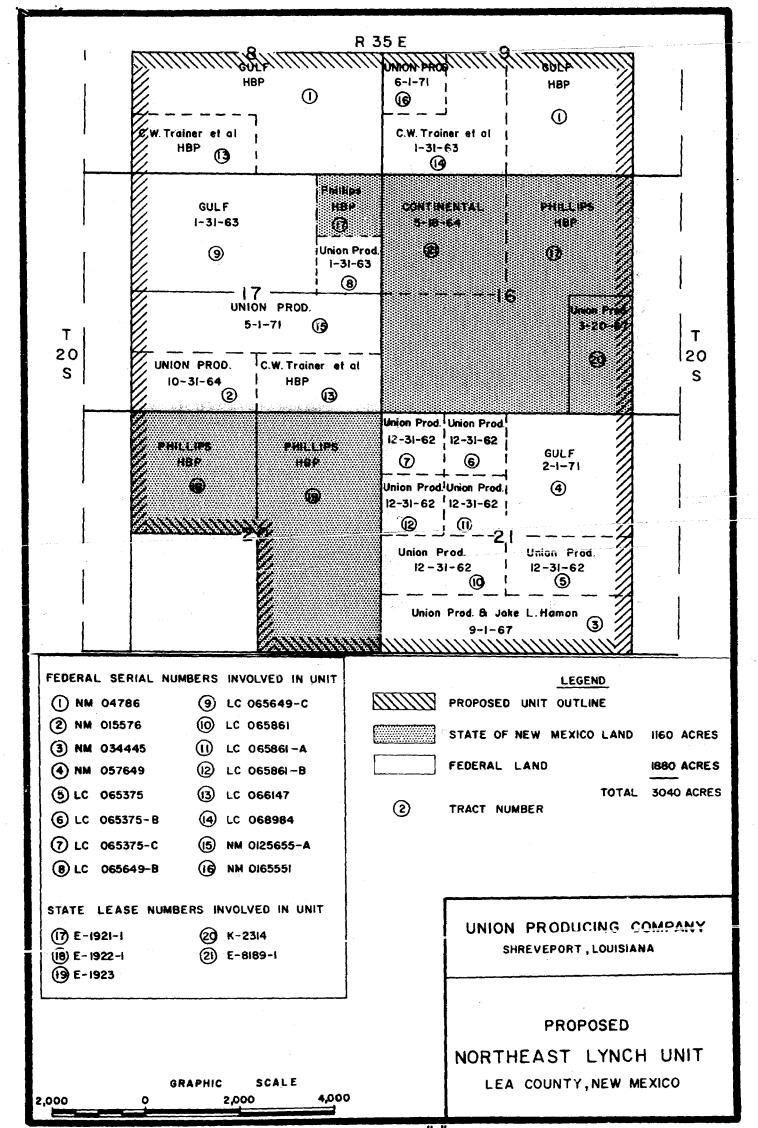
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16.1966

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the undersigned as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.

ATTEST:	CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY	
Jan Dels	By John C. Well Attorney in Fact	&B
Assistant Secretary	Attorney in Fact	101
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STATE OF TEXAS ) COUNTY OF TARRANT )		
The foregoing in	nstrument was acknowledged before me this 26th day	y of
November, 1962, by	JOHN L. KELLY , Attorney in Fact	for
Continental Oil Company.		
My Commission Expires:	Sarbara Lee Pro Notary Public	leon
6-1-63		



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# EXHIBIT "B" SCHEDULE SHOWING THE PERCENTAGE AND KIND OF OWNERSHIP OF ALL LANDS IN THE NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT AREA, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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	LC: 065649-B 3-1-51	LC 065375-C 3-1-51	LC 065375-B 3-1-51	LC 065375 3-1-51	NM 057649 2-1-61	NM 034445 9-1-57	NM 015576 11-1-54	NM 04786 6-1-52		Serial No. & Eff. Date of Lease	NOKTHEAST LYNCH
	USA-12}%	USA-12½%	USA-12½%	USA -12½%	USA -12½%	USA -12½%	USA -12½%	USA -12½%		Basic Royalty & Percentage	NCH UNIT AKEA,
	Union Producing Co.	Union Producing Co.	Union Producing Co.	Union Producing Co.	Gulf Oil Corporation	Union Producing Co. & Jake L. Hamon	Union Producing Co.	Gulf 011 Corporation		Lessee of Record	LISA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
Deceased 1%% a Payment er acre out len and len1.625% Davis1.625% Davis	Caldwell J.Saunders and Faye N.Saunders 1%% Estate of Woodlan P.	L. N. Ha <b>j</b> good 5 % Charles D. Cobb 1%%	L. N. Hajgood 5 % Charles D. Cobb 1%%	L. N. Hajgood 5 % J. S. Bell 12%	A.D. Weatherly, et ux Mozelle B. Weatherly 5 %	Ernest A. Hanson 5 %	Olen F. Featherstone Production Payment \$750.00 per acre out of 5 %	Blanche Trigg; Ralph S. Trigg, et ux Billie M. Trigg 62%		Overriding Royalty and Percentage	
Union Producing Co., All % after above referred to)		Union Producing Co., All	Union Producing Co., All	Union Producing Co., All	*Gulf Oil Cor-	(Jake L.Hamon 50% (Union Produc- ( ing Co. 50%	Union Pro- ducing Co., All	*Gulf Oil Cor- poration, All		Working Interest and Percentage	

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	LC 068984 3-1-49	LC 066147 12-1-48	LC 065861-B 3-1-51	LC 065861-A 3-1-51	LC 065861 3-1-51		LC 065649-C 3-1-51	Serial No. & Eff.Date of Lease
	USA-12½%	USA-12½%	USA-12½%	USA-12½%	USA-12}%		USA-12½%	Basic Royalty & Percentage
C .	C.W.Trainer, Gordon E. Herkenhoff, Smith Collins, Roy G.Barton, George Baker, R. M. Moran, J.F. Maddox, Jack Daniels	C.W. Trainer, Roy G. Barton, Smith Collins, Gordon E. Herkenhoff, R. M. Moran, George Baker, Grady Thompson, J. F. Maddox, E.F. Howe	Union Producing Co.	Union Producing Co.	Union Producing Co.		Gulf 011 Corporation	Lessee of Record
	Amerada Petroleum Co., 6,000 ft. and above6\% Below 6,000 ft9-3/4%	Western Oil Fields, Inc.,	Charles D. Cobb	Charles D. Cobb	J. S. Bell	Estate of Woodlan P. Saunders, Deceased (Production Payment \$400.00 per acre out of 3%)	Caldwell J.Saunders and Faye N.Saunders-	Overriding Royalty and Percentage
	6}% 9-3/4°	622	64%	7,79	62%	12%	12% 12%	Wor
R.M. Moran, 12%% J.F.Maddox,12%% Jack Daniels, 12%%	and the second s	C.W.Trainer, 12½% Roy G.Barton, 12½% Smith Collins, 12½% Gordon E. Herkenhoff, 12½% R.M.Moran, 12½% *George Baker, 12½% *Geady Thompson, 12½% J.F.Maddox, 6½% E.F. Howe, 6½%	Union Produ- cing Co., All	Union Producing Co., All	Union Produ- cing Co., All	*Gulf Oil Cor- poration, All	. <del>(24</del>	Working Interest

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A11	** Continental Oil Co.	Union Producing Co.	State -12½%	160.00 E-8189-1		Sec. 16: NW	21
All Inton Producing Co.,	None	Union Producing Co.	State -12½%	80.00 K-2314 3-20-62		Sec. 16: E\SEX	20
eum Co., All	None	Phillips Petroleum Co.	State -12½%	320.00 E-1923 6-10-48	320	Sec. 20: Ez	19
eum Co., All	Month	Phillips PetroLeum Co.	State -12%%	160.00 E-1922-1 6-10-48	:.	Sec. 20: NW	18
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Worlding Interest and Percentage		Lessee of Record	Basic Royalty & Percentage	Serial No. of & Eff.Date es of Lease	No.	Description of	Tract
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TOTAL ACREAGE: 3,040,00 Acres

<sup>\*\*</sup> Continental Oil Company has assigned lease to Union Producing Company subject to a contract providing for the drilling of the initial test well and in the event of production of unitized substances, a certain overriding royalty. \* Union Producing Co. and Jake L. Hamon will earn 1/2 working interest upon completion of initial unit well.

## DEFORE THE OIL COMMERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE MEARING CALLED BY THE OIL COMMENTATION CONCLUSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMMIDENTIES:

A CONTRACTOR OF THE STATE OF TH

CASE No. 2677 Order No. 3-2351

Application of velon producing company for approval or the morphism lines very administr, les county, her mexico.

#### COME OF THE COMMESSION

#### MY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 e'clock s.m. on October 24, 1961, at sents Fe, New Mexico, before Hivis A. Vis, Emminer duly appointed by the Oil Composyntion Commission of New Hemico, hereinefter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

MOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of October, 1962, the Commission, a querus being present, having considered the application, the evidence addresd, and the recommendations of the Russians, Elvis A. Uts, and being fally advised in the premises,

#### PIECE:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject uniter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Union Producing Company, seeks approval of the Mortheast Lymph Unit Approximat covering 3,040 acres, more or loss, of State and Federal Londo in Township 30 south, Hongo 35 Bast, MOM, Los County, New Maxico.
- (3) That approved of the proposed Pertheest Lynch Unit Agreement will in principle tend to grande the conservation of all and yes and the provention of waste.

#### IT IS THEORY OF COMMENCE.

- (1) That the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement is heasily approved.
- (2) That the plan under which the unit area shall be egerated shall be cubreced in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the Northeast Lynch Unit Area, and such plan shall be known as the such continue Unit Agreement land.

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- (3) That the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement Plan is hardy approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that Notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as varying or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or chligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Gil Conservation Commission of New Marico by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the Northeast Lynch Unit, or relative to the production of oil and gas thesefrom.
  - (4) (a) That the unit area shall be:

#### MEN MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

TORRESTS 20 SOUTH, NAME 35 BAST Section 8: 8/2 Section 9: 4/2 Section 16: All Section 17: All Section 20: E/2 and SE/4 Section 21: All

containing 3,040 acres, more of less.

- (b) That the unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said plan; provided, however, that administrative approval for expansion or contraction of the unit area must also be obtained from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (5) That the unit operator shall file with the Coumission an executed original or executed counterpart of the Mortheast Lynch Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective does thereof. In the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit eperator shall file with the Coumission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.
- (6) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Newton and the Director of the United States Coolegical Survey, and shall terminate inso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.
- (7) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may does necessary.

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DOME at santa Pe. New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF HEW MEXICO OIL COMMERVATION COMMERSION

MOVINE L. MECKEN, Chairman

H. S. WALKER, Monther

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#### CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

#### BY COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS, STATE OF NEW MEXICO

#### MORTHEAST LYNCH UMIT

There having been presented to the undersigned Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico for examination, the attached Agreement for the development and operation of acreage which is described within the attached Agreement, dated which has been executed or is to be executed by parties owning and holding oil and gas leases and royalty interests in and under the property described, and upon examination of said Agreement, the Commissioner finds:

- (a) That such agreement will tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the better utilization of reservoir energy in said area.
- (b) That under the proposed agreement the State of New Mexico will receive its fair share of the recoverable oil or gas in place under its lands in the area.
- (c) That each beneficiary Institution of the State of New Mexico will receive its fair and equitable share of the recoverable oil and gas under its lands within the area.
- (d) That such agreement is in other respects for the best interests of the state, with respect to state lands.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me under Sections 7-11-39, 7-11-40, 7-11-41, 7-11-47, 7-11-48, New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1953 Compilation, I, the undersigned, Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, for the purpose of more properly conserving the oil and gas resources of the State, do hereby consent to and approve the said Agreement, and any leases embracing lands of the State of New Mexico within the area shall be and the same are hereby amended to conform with the terms thereof, and shall remain in full force and effect according to the terms and conditions of said Agreement. This approval is subject to all of the provisions of the aforesaid statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate of Approval is executed, with seal affixed, this 27th day of November 1962

Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico

CERTIFICATION - DETERMINA FLORIGAL SURVEY

### 14-08-0001 8485

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Interior as to Federal Lands, under the Act approved February 25, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U.S.C. Secs. 181, et seq., and delegated to the Director of the Geological Survey pursuant to Departmental Order No. 2365 of October 8, 1947, 43 C.F.R. Sec. 4.611, 12 F.R. 6784, I do hereby:

- A. Approve the attached agreement for the development and operation of the Northeast Lynch Unit Area, Lea County, State of New Mexico.
- B. Certify and determine that the unit plan of development and operation contemplated in the attached agreement is necessary and advisable in the public interest for the purpose of more properly conserving the natural resources.
- C. Certify and determine that the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of all Federal leases committed to said agreement are hereby established, altered, changed, or revoked to conform with the terms and conditions of this agreement.

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Acting DIRECTOR, UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

## FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT AREA LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

NO. 26

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

1962, by and between the parties subscribing, ratifying, or consenting hereto, and herein referred to as the "parties hereto,"

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are the owners of working, royalty, or other oil and gas interests in the unit area subject to this agreement; and

WHEREAS the Mineral Leasing Act of Bebruary 25, 1920, 41

Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U. S. C. Secs. 181 et seq., authorizes

Federal lessees and their representatives to unite with each other,

or jointly or separately with others, in collectively adopting and

operating a cooperative or unit plan of development or operation of

any oil or gas pool, field, or like area, or any part thereof for the

purpose of more properly conserving the natural resources thereof when
ever determined and certified by the Secretary of the Interior to be

necessary or advisable in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Sec. 7-11-39 N M. Statutes 1953 Annotated) to consent to or approve this agreement on behalf of the State of New Mexico, insofar as it covers and includes lands and mineral interests of the State of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico is authorized by an act of the Legislature (Chapter 72, Laws of 1935, as amended by Chapter 193, Laws of 1937, Chapter 166, Laws of 1941, and Chapter 168, Laws of 1949) to approve this agreement and the conservation provisions hereof; and

WHEREAS the parties hereto hold sufficient interests in the Northeast Lynch Unit Area covering the land hereinafter described to give reasonably effective control of operations therein; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the parties hereto to conserve natural resources, prevent waste, and secure other benefits obtainable through development and operation of the area subject to this agreement under the terms, conditions and limitations herein set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the promises herein contained, the parties hereto commit to this agreement their respective interests in the below-defined unit area, and agree severally among themselves as follows:

- 1. ENABLING ACT AND REGULATIONS. The Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, supra, and all valid pertinent regulations, including operating and unit plan regulations, heretofore issued thereunder or valid, pertinent, and reasonable regulations hereafter issued thereunder are accepted and made a part of this agreement as to Federal lands, provided such regulations are not inconsistent with the terms of this agreement; and as to State of New Mexico and privately owned lands, the oil and gas operating regulations in effect as of the effective date hereof governing drilling and producing operations, not inconsistent with the terms hereof or the laws of the State of New Mexico are hereby accepted and made a part of this agreement.
  - 2. UNIT AREA. The following-described land is hereby desig-

nated and recognized as constituting the unit area:

## T-20-S, R-35-E, NMPM

Sec. 8; S

Sec. 9; S

Sec. 16; A11

Sec. 17; A11

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Sec. 21; A11

Containing 3,040 acres, more or less.

Exhibit A attached hereto is a map showing the unit area and the boundaries and identity of tracts and leases in said area to the extent known to the Unit Operator. Exhibit B attached hereto is a schedule showing to the extent known to the Unit Operator the acreage, percentage, and kind of ownership of oil and gas interests in all land in the unit area. However, nothing herein or in said schedule or map shall be construed as a representation by any party hereto as to the ownership of any interest other than such interest or interests as are shown in said map or schedule as owned by such party. Exhibits A and B shall be revised by the Unit Operator whenever changes in the unit area render such revision necessary, or when requested by the Oil and Gas Supervisor, hereinafter referred to as "Supervisor," or when requested by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as "State Commissioner," and not less than seven copies of the revised exhibits shall be filed with the Supervisor, and two (2) copies thereof shall be filed with the State Commissioner and one (1) copy with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as "State Commission."

The above-described unit area shall when practicable be expanded to include therein any additional tract or tracts regarded as
reasonably necessary or advisable for the purposes of this agreement, or

shall be contracted to exclude lands not within any participating area whenever such expansion or contraction is necessary or advisable to conform with the purposes of this agreement. Such expansion or contraction shall be effected in the following manner:

- (a) Unit Operator, on its own motion or on demand of the Director of the Geological Survey, hereinafter referred to as "Director," or on demand of the State Commissioner, after preliminary concurrence by the Director, shall prepare a notice of proposed expansion or contraction describing the contemplated changes in the boundaries of the unit area, the reasons therefor, and the proposed effective date thereof, preferably the first day of a month subsequent to the date of notice.
- (b) Said notice shall be delivered to the Supervisor, the State Commissioner and the State Commission and copies thereof mailed to the last known address of each working interest owner, lessee, and lessor whose interests are affected, advising that 30 days will be allowed for submission to the Unit Operator of any objections.
- (c) Upon expiration of the 30-day period provided in the preceding item (b) hereof, Unit Operator shall file with the Supervisor, the State Commissioner and the State Commission evidence of mailing of the notice of expansion or contraction and a copy of any objections thereto which have been filed with the Unit Operator, together with an application in sufficient number, for approval of such expansion or contraction and with appropriate joinders.
- (d) After due consideration of all pertinent information, the expansion or contraction shall, upon approval by the Director, the State Commissioner and the State Commission, become effective as of the date

prescribed in the notice thereof.

(e) All legal subdivisions of unitized lands (i.e., 40 acres by Government survey or its nearest lot or tract equivalent in instances of irregular surveys, however, unusually large lots or tracts shall be considered in multiples of 40 acres, or the nearest aliquot equivalent thereof, for the purpose of elimination under this subsection), no parts of which are entitled to be in a participating area within 5 years after the first day of the month following the effective date of the first initial participating area established under this unit agreement, shall be eliminated automatically from this agreement, effective as of the first day thereafter, and such lands shall no longer be a part of the unit area and shall no longer be subject to this agreement, unless at the expiration of said 5-year period diligent drilling operations are in progress on unitized lands not entitled to participation, in which event all such lands shall remain subject hereto for so long as such drilling operations are continued diligently, with not more than 90 days' time elapsing between the completion of one such well and the commencement of the next such well, except that the time allowed between such wells shall not expire earlier than 30 days after the expiration of any period of time during which drilling operations are prevented by a matter beyond the reasonable control of unit operator as set forth in the section hereof entitled "Unavoidable Delay"; provided that all legal subdivisions of lands not in a participating area and not entitled to become participating under the applicable provisions of this agreement within 10 years after said first day of the month following the effective date of said first initial participating area shall be eliminated as above specified. Determination of creditable "Unavoidable Delay" time

shall be made by unit operator and subject to approval of the Director and the State Commissioner. The unit operator shall, within 90 days after the effective date of any elimination hereunder, describe the area so eliminated to the satisfaction of the Director and the State Commissioner and promptly notify all parties in interest.

If conditions warrant extension of the 10-year period specified in this subsection 2(e), a single extension of not to exceed two years may be accomplished by consent of the owners of 90 percent of the current unitized working interests and 60 percent of the current unitized basic royalty interests (exclusive of the basic royalty interests of the United States), on a total-nonparticipating-acreage basis, respectively, with approval of the Director, and the State Commissioner provided such extension application is submitted to the State Commissioner and the Director not later than 60 days prior to the expiration of said 10-year period.

Any expansion of the unit area pursuant to this section which embraces lands theretofore eliminated pursuant to this subsection 2(e) shall not be considered automatic commitment or recommitment of such lands.

- 3. UNITIZED LAND AND UNITIZED SUBSTANCES. All land committed to this agreement shall constitute land referred to herein as "unitized land" or "land subject to this agreement." All oil and gas in any and all formations of the unitized land are unitized under the terms of this agreement and herein are called "unitized substances."
- 4. UNIT OPERATOR. Jake L. Hamon of Dallas, Texas, is hereby designated as Unit Operator and by signature hereto as Unit Operator commits to this agreement all interests in unitized substances vested in him

and agrees and consents to accept the duties and obligations of Unit Operator for the discovery, development and production of unitized substances as herein provided. Whenever reference is made herein to the Unit Operator, such reference means the Unit Operator acting in that capacity and not as owner of interest in unitized substances, and the term "working interest owner" when used herein shall include or refer to Unit Operator as the owner of a working interest when such an interest is owned by him.

shall have the right to resign at any time prior to the establishment of a participating area or areas hereunder, but such resignation shall not become effective so as to release Unit Operator from the duties and obligations of Unit Operator and terminate Unit Operator's rights as such for a period of 6 months after notice of intention to resign has been served by Unit Operator on all working interest owners and the Director, the State Commissioner and State Commission and until all wells then drilled hereunder are placed in a satisfactory condition for suspension or abandonment whichever is required by the Supervisor as to Federal lands and by the State Commission as to State and privately owned lands unless a new Unit Operator shall have been selected and approved and shall have taken over and assumed the duties and obligations of Unit Operator prior to the expiration of said period.

Unit Operator shall have the right to resign in like manner and subject to like limitations, as above provided, at any time a participating area established hereunder is in existence, but, in all instances of resignation or removal, until a successor unit operator is selected and approved as hereinafter provided, the working interest

owners shall be jointly responsible for performance of the duties of unit operator, and shall not later than 30 days before such resignation or removal becomes effective appoint a common agent to represent them in any action to be taken hereunder.

The resignation of Unit Operator shall not release Unit
Operator from any liability for any default by it hereunder occurring
prior to the effective date of its resignation.

The Unit Operator may, upon default or failure in the performance of its duties or obligations hereunder, be subject to removal by the same percentage vote of the owners of working interests determined in like manner as herein provided for the selection of a new Unit Operator. Such removal shall be effective upon notice thereof to the Director and the State Commissioner.

The resignation or removal of Unit Operator under this agreement shall not terminate its right, title, or interest as the owner of a working interest or other interest in unitized substances, but upon the resignation or removal of Unit Operator becoming effective, such Unit Operator shall deliver possession of all equipment, materials, and appurtenances used in conducting the unit operations and owned by the working interest owners to the new duly qualified successor Unit Operator or to the owners thereof if no such new Unit Operator is elected, to be used for the purpose of conducting unit operations hereunder. Nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing removal of any material, equipment and appurtenances needed for the preservation of any wells.

6. SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR. Whenever the Unit Operator shall tender his or its resignation as Unit Operator or shall be removed as hereinabove provided, the owners of the working interests in the par-

ticipating area or areas according to their respective acreage interests in such participating area or areas, or, until a participating area shall have been established, the owners of the working interests according to their respective acreage interests in all unitized land, shall by majority vote select a successor Unit Operator: Provided, that, if a majority but less than 75 percent of the working interests qualified to vote are owned by one party to this agreement, a concurring vote of one or more additional working interest owners shall be required to select a new operator. Such selection shall not become effective until:

- (a) a Unit Operator so selected shall accept in writing the duties and responsibilities of Unit Operator, and
- (b) the selection shall have been filed with the Supervisor and approved by the State Commissioner. If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Supervisor and State Commissioner at their election may declare this unit agreement terminated.
- 7. ACCOUNTING PROVISIONS AND UNIT OPERATING AGREEMENT. If the Unit Operator is not the sole owner of working interests, costs and expenses incurred by Unit Operator in conducting unit operations hereunder shall be paid and apportioned among and borne by the owners of working interests, all in accordance with the agreement or agreements entered into by and between the Unit Operator and the owners of working interests, whether one or more, separately or collectively. Any agreement or agreements entered into between the working interest owners and the Unit Operator as provided in this section, whether one or more, are herein referred to as the "unit operating agreement." Such unit operating agreement shall also provide the manner in which the working interest owners shall be entitled to receive their respective proportionate and al-

located share of the benefits accruing hereto in conformity with their underlying operating agreements, leases, or other independent contracts, and such other rights and obligations as between Unit Operator and the working interest owners as may be agreed upon by Unit Operator and the working interest owners; how-ever, no such unit operating agreement shall be deemed either to modify any of the terms and conditions of this unit agreement or to relieve the Unit Operator of any right or obligation established under this unit agreement, and in case of any inconsistency or conflict between the unit agreement and the unit operating agreement, this unit agreement shall prevail. Three (3) true copies of any unit operating agreement executed pursuant to this section should be filed with the Supervisor and one (1) true copy with the Commissioner, prior to approval of this unit agreement by the Director.

8. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF UNIT OPERATOR. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the exclusive right, privilege, and duty of exercising any and all rights of the parties hereto which are necessary or convenient for prospecting for, producing, storing, allocating, and distributing the unitized substances are hereby delegated to and shall be exercised by the Unit Operator as herein provided. Acceptable evidence of title to said rights shall be deposited with said Unit Operator and, together with this agreement, shall constitute and define the rights, privileges, and obligations of Unit Operator. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed to transfer title to any land or to any lease or operating agreement, it being understood that under this agreement the Unit Operator, in its capacity as Unit Operator, shall exercise the rights of possession and use vested in the parties hereto only for the purposes herein specified.

9. DRILLING TO DISCOVERY. Within 6 months after the effective date hereof, the Unit Operator shall begin to drill an adequate test well at a location approved by the Supervisor if on Federal land or by the State Commissioner if on State Land, unless on such effective date a well is being drilled conformably with the terms hereof, and thereafter continue such drilling diligently until the Devonian formations have been tested or until at a lesser depth unitized substances shall be discovered which can be produced in paying quantities (to wit: quantities sufficient to repay the costs of drilling, and producing operations, with a reasonable profit) or the Unit Operator shall at any time establish to the satisfaction of the Supervisor if on Federal land, of the State Commissioner if on State land, that further drilling of said well would be unwarranted or impracticable, provided; however, that Unit Operator shall not in any event be required to drill said well to a depth in excess of 15,000 feet. Until the discovery of a deposit of unitized substances capable of being produced in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall continue drilling diligently one well at a time, allowing not more than 6 months between the completion of one well and the beginning of the next well, until a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities is completed to the satisfaction of said Supervisor if it be on Federal land or of the State Commissioner if on State land, or until it is reasonably proved that the unitized land is incapable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations drilled hereunder. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit the right of the Unit Operator to resign as provided in Section 5 hereof, or as requiring Unit Operator to commence or continue any drilling during the period pending such resignation becoming effective in order to comply with the requirements of this section. The Director and State Commissioner may modify the drilling requirements of this section by granting reasonable extensions of time when, in their opinion, such action is warranted.

Upon failure to comply with the drilling provisions of this section, the Director and State Commissioner may, after reasonable notice to the Unit Operator, and each working interest owner, lessee, and lessor at their last known addresses, declare this unit agreement terminated.

10. PLAN OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION. Within 6 months after completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner an acceptable plan of development and operation for the unitized land which, when approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner, shall constitute the further drilling and operating obligations of the Unit Operator under this agreement for the period specified therein. Thereafter, from time to time before the expiration of any existing plan, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner a plan for an additional specified period for the development and operation of the unitized land. Any plan submitted pursuant to this section shall provide for the exploration of the unitized area and for the diligent drilling necessary for determination of the area or areas thereof capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in each and every productive formation and shall be as complete and adequate as the Supervisor and the State Commissioner may determine to be necessary for timely development and proper conservation of the oil and gas resources

of the unitized area and shall:

- (a) specify the number and locations of wells to be drilled and the proposed order and time for such drilling; and
- (b) to the extent practicable specify the operating practices regarded as necessary and advisable for proper conservation of natural resources. Separate plans may be submitted for separate productive zones, subject to the approval of the Supervisor and the State Commissioner. Said plan or plans shall be modified or supplemented when necessary to meet changed conditions or to protect the interests of all parties to this agreement. Reasonable diligence shall be exercised in complying with the obligations of the approved plan of development. The Supervisor and State Commissioner are authorized to grant a reasonable extension of the 6 month period herein prescribed for submission of an initial plan of development where such action is justified because of unusual conditions or circumstances. After completion hereunder of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, no further wells, except such as may be necessary to afford protection against operations not under this agreement or such as may be specifically approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner shall be drilled except in accordance with a plan of development approved as herein provided.
- 11. PARTICIPATION AFTER DISCOVERY. Upon completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall, within the month of such completion, if practicable, or as soon thereafter as required by the Supervisor or the State Commissioner submit for approval by the Director and the State Commissioner a schedule, based on subdivisions of the public-land survey or aliquot

parts thereof, of all unitized land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive of unitized substances in paying quantities; all lands in said schedule on approval of the Director and the State Commissioner to constitute a participating area, effective as of the date of completion of such well or the effective date of the unit agreement, whichever is later. The acreages of both Federal and non-Federal lands shall be based upon appropriate computations from the courses and distances shown on the last approved public-land survey as of the effective date of the initial participating area. Said schedule also shall set forth the percentage of unitized substances to be allocated as herein provided to each unitized tract in the participating area so established, and shall govern the allocation of production from and after the date the participating area becomes effective. A separate participating area shall be established in like manner for each separate pool or deposit of unitized substances or for any group thereof produced as a single pool or zone, and any two or more participating areas so established may be combined into one with the consent of the owners of all working interests in the lands within the participating areas so to be combined, on approval of the Director and the State Commissioner. The participating area or areas so established shall be revised from time to time, subject to like approval, whenever such action appears proper as a result of further drilling operations or otherwise, to include additional land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities, or to exclude land then regarded as reasonably proved not to be productive in paying quantities and the percentage of allocation shall also be revised accordingly. The effective date of any revision shall be the first of the month in which is obtained the knowledge or information on which such revision is predicated, provided, however, that a more appropriate effective date may be used if justified by the Unit Operator and approved by the Director and the State Commissioner. No

land shall be excluded from a participating area on account of depletion of the unitized substances.

It is the intent of this section that a participating area shall represent the area known or reasonably estimated to be productive in paying quantities; but, regardless of any revision of the participating area, nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring any retroactive adjustment for production obtained prior to the effective date of the revision of the participating area.

In the absence of agreement at any time between the Unit

Operator and the Director and the State Commissioner as to the proper
definition or redefinition of a participating area, or until a participating area has, or areas have, been established as provided herein,
the portion of all payments affected thereby may be impounded in a manner
mutually acceptable to the owners of working interests, except royalties
due the United States and the State of New Mexico, which shall be determined by the Supervisor for Federal lands and the State Commissioner
for State lands and the amount thereof deposited, as directed by the
Supervisor and the State Commissioner respectively, to be held as unearned money until a participating area is finally approved and then
applied as earned or returned in accordance with a determination of the
sum due as Federal and State royalty on the basis of such approved participating area.

Whenever it is determined, subject to the approval of the Supervisor, as to wells drilled on Federal land and of the State Commissioner as to wells drilled on State land, that a well drilled under this agreement is not capable of production in paying quantities and inclusion of the land on which it is situated in a participating area is

unwarranted, production from such well shall, for the purposes of settlement among all parties other than working interest owners, be allocated to the land on which the well is located so long as such land is not within a participating area established for the pool or deposit from which such production is obtained. Settlement for working interest benefits from such a well shall be made as provided in the unit operating agreement.

12. ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION. All unitized substances produced from each participating area established under this agreement, except any part thereof used in conformity with good operating practices within the unitized area for drilling, operating, camp and other production or development purposes, for repressuring or recycling in accordance with a plan of development approved by the Supervisor, and State Commissioner, or unavoidably lost, shall be deemed to be produced equally on an acreage basis from the several tracts of unitized land of the participating area established for such production and, for the purpose of determining any benefits accruing under this agreement, each such tract of unitized land shall have allocated to it such percentage of said production as the number of acres of such tract included in said participating area bears to the total acres of unitized land in said participating area, except that allocation of production hereunder for purposes other than for settlement of the royalty, overriding royalty, or payment out of production obligations of the respective working interest owners, shall be on the basis prescribed in the unit operating agreement whether in conformity with the basis of allocation herein set forth or otherwise. It is hereby agreed that production of unitized substances from a participating area shall be allocated as provided herein regardless of whether any wells are drilled on any particular part or tract of said participating area. If any gas produced from one participating area is used for repressuring or recycling purposes in another participating area, the first gas withdrawn from such last-mentioned participating area for sale during the life of this agreement shall be considered to be the gas so transferred until an amount equal to that transferred shall be so produced for sale and such gas shall be allocated to the participating area from which initially produced as constituted at the time of such final production.

13. DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION OF NON-PARTICIPATING LAND OR FORMATIONS. Any party or parties hereto owning or controlling the working interests in any unitized land having thereon a regular well location may with the approval of the Supervisor as to Federal land, the State Commissioner as to State land, and subject to the provisions of the Unit Operating Agreement, at such party's or parties' sole risk, costs, and expense drill a well at such location on such land to test any formation for which a participating area has not been established or to test any formation for which a participating area has been established if such location is not within said participating area, or drill any well not mutually agreed to by all interested parties, unless within 90 days of receipt of notice from said party of his intention to drill the well the Unit Operator elects and commences to drill such a well in like manner as other wells are drilled by the Unit Operator under this Agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner results in production such that the land upon which it is situated may properly be included in a participating area, such participating area

shall be established or enlarged as provided in this agreement and the well shall thereafter be operated by the Unit Operator in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the unit operating agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner obtains production in quantities insufficient to justify the inclusion in a participating area of the land upon which such well is situated, such well may be operated and produced by the party drilling the same subject to the conservation requirements of this agreement. The royalties in amount or value of production from any such well shall be paid as specified in the underlying lease and agreements affected.

14. ROYALTY SETTLEMENT. The United States and any State and all royalty owners who, under existing contract, are entitled to take in kind a share of the substances now unitized hereunder produced from any tract, shall hereafter be entitled to the right to take in kind their share of the unitized substances allocated to such tract, and Unit Operator, or in case of the operation of a well by a working interest owner as herein in special cases provided for, such working interest owner, shall make deliveries of such royalty share taken in kind in conformity with the applicable contracts, laws, and regulations. Settlement for royalty interest not taken in kind shall be made by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws and regulations on or before the last day of each month for unitized substances produced during the preceding calendar month; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any royalties due under their leases.

If gas obtained from lands not subject to this agreement is introduced into any participating area hereunder, for use in repressuring, stimulation of production, or increasing ultimate recovery, which shall be in conformity with a plan first approved by the Supervisor and the State Commissioner, a like amount of gas, after settlement as herein provided for any gas transferred from any other participating area and with due allowance for loss or depletion from any cause, may be withdrawn from the formation into which the gas was introduced, royalty free as to dry gas, but not as to the products extracted therefrom; provided that such withdrawal shall be at such time as may be provided in the plan of operations or as may otherwise be consented to by the Supervisor, and the State Commissioner as conforming to good petroleum engineering practice; and provided further, that such right of withdrawal shall terminate on the termination of this unit agreement.

Royalty due the United States shall be computed as provided in the operating regulations and paid in value or delivered in kind as to all unitized substances on the basis of the amounts thereof allocated to unitized Federal land as provided herein at the rates specified in the respective Federal leases, or at such lower rate or rates as may be authorized by law or regulation; provided, that for leases on which the royalty rate depends on the daily average production per well, said average production shall be determined in accordance with the operating regulations as though each participating area were a single consolidated lease.

Royalty due on account of State lands shall be computed and paid on the basis of all unitized substances allocated to such lands.

15. RENTAL SETTLEMENT. Rental or minimum royalties due on

leases committed hereto shall be paid by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws, and regulations, provided that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any rental or minimum royalty in lieu thereof due under their leases. Rental or minimum royalty for lands of the United States subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rate specified in the respective leases from the United States unless such rental or minimum royalty is waived, suspended, or reduced by law or by approval of the Secretary or his duly authorized representative.

Rentals on State of New Mexico lands subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rates specified in the respective leases.

With respect to any lease on non-Federal land containing provisions which would terminate such lease unless drilling operations were within the time therein specified commenced upon the land covered thereby or rentals paid for the privilege of deferring such drilling operations, the rentals required thereby shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, be deemed to accrue and become payable during the term thereof as extended by this agreement and thereafter until the required drilling operations are commenced upon the land covered thereby or some portion of such land is included within a participating area.

16. CONSERVATION. Operations hereunder and production of unitized substances shall be conducted to provide for the most economical and efficient recovery of said substances without waste, as defined by or pursuant to State or Federal law or regulation.

- 17. DRAINAGE. The Unit Operator shall take appropriate and adequate measures to prevent drainage of unitized substances from unitized land by wells on land not subject to this agreement, or, with the consent of the Director and the State Commissioner, pursuant to applicable regulations pay a fair and reasonable compensatory royalty.
- 18. LEASES AND CONTRACTS CONFORMED AND EXTENDED. The terms, conditions, and provisions of all leases, subleases, and other contracts relating to exploration, drilling, development, or operation for oil or gas of lands committed to this agreement are hereby expressly modified and amended to the extent necessary to make the same conform to the provisions hereof, but otherwise to remain in full force and effect; and the parties hereto hereby consent that the Secretary as to Federal leases and the State Commissioner as to State leases shall and each by his approval hereof, or by the approval hereof by his duly authorized representative, does hereby establish, alter, change, or revoke the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of Federal and State leases committed hereto and the regulations in respect thereto to conform said requirements to the provisions of this agreement, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all leases, subleases, and contracts are particularly modified in accordance with the following:
- (a) The development and operation of lands subject to this agreement under the terms hereof shall be deemed full performance of all obligations for development and operation with respect to each and every part or separately owned tract subject to this agreement, regardless of whether there is any development of any particular part or tract of the unit area, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any lease, opera-

ting agreement or other contract by and between the parties hereto, or their respective predecessors in interest, or any of them.

- (b) Drilling and producing operations performed hereunder upon any tract of unitized lands will be accepted and deemed to be performed upon and for the benefit of each and every tract of unitized land, and no lease shall be deemed to expire by reason of failure to drill or produce wells situated on the land therein embraced.
- (c) Suspension of drilling or producing operations on all unitized lands pursuant to direction or consent of the Secretary and the State Commissioner, or their duly authorized representatives, shall be deemed to constitute such suspension pursuant to such direction or consent as to each and every tract of unitized land.
- (d) Any Federal lease for a fixed term of twenty (20) years or any renewal thereof or any part of such lease which is made subject to this agreement shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein until the termination hereof. Any other Federal lease committed hereto shall continue in force beyond the term so provided therein or by law as to the land committed so long as such lease remains subject hereto, provided that production is had in paying quantities under this unit agreement prior to the expiration date of the term of such lease, or in the event actual drilling operations are commenced on unitized land, in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, prior to the end of the primary term of such lease and are being diligently prosecuted at that time, such lease shall be extended for two years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act Revision of 1960.

- (e) Each sublease or contract relating to the operation and development of unitized substances from lands of the United States committed to this agreement, which by its terms would expire prior to the time at which the underlying lease, as extended by the immediately preceding paragraph, will expire, is hereby extended beyond any such term so provided therein so that it shall be continued in full force and effect for and during the term of the underlying lease as such term is herein extended.
- (f) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico which is made subject to this agreement, shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein as to the lands committed hereto until the termination hereof.
- (g) The segregation of any Federal lease committed to this agreement is governed by the following provision in the fourth paragraph of Sec. 17(h) of the Act, as amended by the Act of July 29, 1954 (68 Stat. 583, 585): "Any (Federal) lease hereafter committed to any such (unit) plan embracing lands that are in part within and in part outside of the area covered by any such plan shall be segregated into separate leases as to the lands committed and the lands not committed as of the effective date of unitization: Provided, however, that any such lease as to the nonunitized portion shall continue in force and effect for the term thereof but for not less than two years from the date of such segregation and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities."
- (h) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico having only a portion of its lands committed hereto, shall be segregated as to the portion committed and the portion not committed, and the terms

of such lease shall apply separately to such segregated portions commencing as of the effective date hereof; provided, however, notwithstanding any of the provisions of this agreement to the contrary any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico having only a portion of its lands committed hereto shall continue in full force and effect beyond the term provided therein as to all lands embraced in such lease, if oil or gas is discovered and is capable of being produced in paying quantities from some part of the lands embraced in such lease at the expiration of the secondary term of such lease; or if, at the expiration of the secondary term, the Lessee or the Unit Operator is then engaged in bona fide drilling or reworking operations on some part of the lands embraced in such lease, the same, as to all lands embraced therein, shall remain in full force and effect so long as such operations are being diligently prosecuted, and if they result in the production of oil or gas, said lease shall continue in full force and effect as to all of the lands embraced therein, so long thereafter as oil or gas in paying quantities is being produced from any portion of said lands.

19. COVENANTS RUN WITH LAND. The covenants herein shall be construed to be covenants running with the land with respect to the interest of the parties hereto and their successors in interest until this agreement terminates, and any grant, transfer, or conveyance, of interest in land or leases subject hereto shall be and hereby is conditioned upon the assumption of all privileges and obligations hereunder by the grantee, transferee, or other successor in interest. No assignment or transfer of any working interest, royalty, or other interest subject hereto shall be binding upon Unit Operator until the

first day of the calendar month after Unit Operator is furnished with the original, photostatic, or certified copy of the instrument of transfer.

- 20. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Director and the State Commissioner or their duly authorized representatives as of the date of approval by the Director and shall terminate five (5) years from said effective date unless:
- (a) such date of expiration is extended by the Director and the State Commissioner, or
- (b) It is reasonably determined prior to the expiration of the fixed term or any extension thereof that the unitized land is incapable of production of unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations tested hereunder and after notice of intention to terminate the agreement on such ground is given by the Unit Operator to all parties in interest at their last known addresses, the agreement is terminated with the approval of the Director and State Commissioner, or
- (c) a valuable discovery of unitized substances has been made on unitized land during said initial term or any extension thereof, in which event the agreement shall remain in effect for such term and so long as unitized substances can be produced in paying quantities, i.e., in this particular instance in quantities sufficient to pay for the cost of producing same from wells on unitized land within any participating area established hereunder and, should production cease, so long thereafter as diligent operations are in progress for the restoration of production or discovery of new production and so long thereafter as the unitized substances so discovered can be produced as aforesaid, or

- (d) it is terminated as heretofore provided in this agreement.

  This agreement may be terminated at any time by not less than
  75 per centum, on an acreage basis, of the owners of working interests
  signatory hereto, with the approval of the Director and State Commissioner; notice of any such approval to be given by the Unit Operator
  to all parties hereto.
- 21. RATE OF PROSPECTING, DEVELOPMENT, AND PRODUCTION. Director is hereby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such quantity and rate is not fixed pursuant to Federal or State law or does not conform to any state-wide voluntary conservation or allocation program, which is established, recognized, and generally adhered to by the majority of operators in such State, such authority being hereby limited to alteration or modification in the public interest, the purpose thereof and the public interest to be served thereby to be stated in the order of alteration or modification. Without regard to the foregoing, the Director is also hereby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the rate of prospecting and development and the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such alteration or modification is in the interest of attaining the conservation objectives stated in this agreement and is not in violation of any applicable Federal or State law; Provided, further, that no such alteration or modification shall be effective as to any land of the State of New Mexico, as to the rate of prospecting and developing in the absence of the specific written approval thereof by the State Commissioner and as to any lands of the State of New Mexico or privately owned lands subject to this agreement as to the quantity and rate of production in the absence of specific written approval thereof by the Commission.

Powers in this section vested in the Director shall only be exercised after notice to Unit Operator and opportunity for hearing to be held not less than 15 days from notice.

- 22. CONFLICT OF SUPERVISION. Neither the Unit Operator nor the working interest owners nor any of them shall be subject to any forfeiture, termination or expiration of any rights hereunder or under any leases or contracts subject hereto, or to any penalty or liability on account of delay or failure in whole or in part to comply with any applicable provision thereof to the extent that the Unit Operator, working interest owners or any of them are hindered, delayed or pre vented from complying therewith by reason of failure of the Unit Operator to obtain in the exercise of due diligence, the concurrence of proper representatives of the United States and proper representatives of the State of New Mexico in and about any matters or thing concerning which it is required herein that such concurrence be obtained. The parties hereto, including the State Commission, agree that all powers and authority vested in the State Commission in and by any provisions of this agreement are vested in the State Commission and shall be exercised by it pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of New Mexico and subject in any case to appeal or judicial review as may now or hereafter be provided by the laws of the State of New Mexico.
- 23. APPEARANCES. Unit Operator shall, after notice to other parties affected, have the right to appear for and on behalf of any and all interests affected hereby before the Department of the Interior, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and to appeal from orders issued under the regulations of said Department, the State Commission or State Commissioner or to apply for relief from any of said regulations or in any proceedings relative to operations before the Department of the Interior, the State Commissioner, or State Commission or any other

legally constituted authority; provided, however, that any other interested party shall also have the right at his own expense to be heard in any such proceeding.

- 24. NOTICES. All notices, demands or statements required hereunder to be given or rendered to the parties hereto shall be deemed fully given if given in writing and personally delivered to the party or sent by postpaid registered or certified mail, addressed to such party or parties at their respective addresses set forth in connection with the signatures hereto or to the ratification or consent hereof or to such other address as any such party may have furnished in writing to party sending the notice, demand or statement.
- 25. NO WAIVER OF CERTAIN RIGHTS. Nothing in this agreement contained shall be construed as a waiver by any party hereto of the right to assert any legal or constitutional right or defense as to the validity or invalidity of any law of the State wherein said unitized lands are located, or of the United States, or regulations issued thereunder in any way affecting such party, or as a waiver by any such party of any right beyond his or its authority to waive.
- 26. UNAVOIDABLE DELAY. All obligations under this agreement requiring the Unit Operator to commence or continue drilling or to operate on or produce unitized substances from any of the lands covered by this agreement shall be suspended while, but only so long as, the Unit Operator despite the exercise of due care and diligence is prevented from complying with such obligations, in whole or in part, by strikes, acts of Cod, Federal, State, or municipal law or agencies, unavoidable accidents, uncontrollable delays in transportation, inability to obtain necessary materials in open market, or other matters beyond

the reasonable control of the Unit Operator whether similar to matters herein enumerated or not.

27 NONDISCRIMINATION. In the performance of work under this agreement the Unit Operator agrees to comply with the non-discrimination provisions of Executive Order 10925 (26 F.R. 1977).

The Unit Operator agrees to insert the foregoing provision in all sub-contracts hereunder, except sub-contracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials.

28. LOSS OF TITLE. In the event title to any tract of unitized land shall fail and the true owner cannot be induced to join in this unit agreement, such tract shall be automatically regarded as not committed hereto and there shall be such readjustment of future costs and benefits as may be required on account of the loss of such title. In the event of a dispute as to title as to any royalty, working interest, or other interests subject thereto, payment or delivery on account thereof may be withheld without liability for interest until the dispute is finally settled; provided, that, as to Federal and State land or leases, no payments of funds due the United States or the State of New Mexico should be withheld, but such funds of the United States shall be deposited as directed by the Supervisor and such funds of the State of New Mexico shall be deposited as directed by the State Commissioner to be held as unearned money pending final settlement of the title dispute, and then applied as earned or returned in accordance with such final settlement.

Unit Operator as such is relieved from any responsibility for any defect of failure of any title hereunder.

29. NON-JOINDER AND SUBSEQUENT JOINDER. If the owner of any substantial interest in a tract within the unit area fails or refuses to subscribe or consent to this agreement, the owner of the working interest in that tract may withdraw said tract from this agreement by written notice to the Director, the State Commissioner, and the Unit Operator prior to the approval of this agreement by the Director and State Commissioner. Any oil or gas interests in lands within the unit area not committed hereto prior to submission of this agreement for final approval may thereafter be committed hereto by the owner or owners thereof subscribing or consenting to this agreement, and, if the interest is a working interest, by the owner of such interest also subscribing to the unit operating agreement. After operations are commenced hereunder, the subsequent joinder, as provided in this section, by a working interest owner is subject to such requirements or approvals, if any, pertaining to such joinder, as may be provided for in the unit operating agreement. After final approval hereof, joinder by a nonworking interest owner must be consented to in writing by the working interest owner committed hereto and responsible for the payment of any benefits that may accrue hereunder in behalf of such non-working interest. Joinder by any owner of a non-working interest, at any time, must be accompanied by appropriate joinder by the owner of the corresponding working interest in order for the interest to be regarded as effectively committed hereto. Joinder to the unit agreement by a working-interest owner, at any time, must be accompanied by appropriate joinder to the unit operating agreement, if more than one committed working-interest owner is involved, in order for the interest to be regarded as effectively committed to this unit agreement. Except as may otherwise

herein be provided, subsequent joinders to this agreement shall be effective as of the first day of the month following the filing with the Supervisor and the State Commissioner of duly executed counterparts of all or any papers necessary to establish effective commitment of any tract to this agreement unless objection to such joinder is duly made within 60 days by the Director or State Commissioner.

30. COUNTERPARTS. This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts no one of which needs to be executed by all parties or may be ratified or consented to by separate instrument in writing specifically referring hereto and shall be binding upon all those parties who have executed such a counterpart, ratification, or consent hereto with the same force and effect as if all such parties had signed the same document and regardless of whether or not it is executed by all other parties owning or claiming an interest in the lands within the above-described unit area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed and set opposite their respective names the date of execution.

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Secretary	Address
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ATTEST:	UNION PRODUCING COMPANY By
Secretary Date:	Address
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	ROY G. BARTON
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Date:	SMITH COLLINS

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## CERTIFICATION - DETERMINATION

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Interior as to Federal Lands, under the Act approved February 25, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U.S.C. Secs. 181, et seq., and delegated to the Director of the Geological Survey pursuant to Departmental Order No. 2365 of October 8, 1947, 43 C.F.R. Sec. 4.611, 12 F.R. 6784, I do hereby:

- A. Approve the attached agreement for the development and operation of the Northeast Lynch Unit Area, Lea County,
  State of New Mexico.
- B. Certify and determine that the unit plan of development and operation contemplated in the attached agreement is necessary and advisable in the public interest for the purpose of more properly conserving the natural resources.
- C. Certify and determine that the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of all Federal leases committed to said agreement are hereby established, altered, changed, or revoked to conform with the terms and conditions of this agreement.

DATED	DIRECTOR	UNITED	STATES	GEOLOGICAL
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 2677

Order No. R- 235/

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APPLICATION OF UNION PRODUCING COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE NORTHWHET LYNCH UNIT AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 26, 1962 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Uts Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this day of **October**, 1962 the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

## FINDS:

New Mexico.

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- approval of the Northwest Lynch Unit Agreement and covering 3,040 acres, more or less, of State / Federal xmd Feet lands in Township 20 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County,
- (3) That approval of the proposed Northwest Lynch

  Unit Agreement will in principle tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

## IT IS TERREPOSE ORDERED:

- (1) That the Northwest Lynch Unit Agreement is hereby approved.
- (2) That the plan under which the unit area shall be operated shall be embraced in the form of a unit agreement for the

development and operation of the Northwest Lynch Area, and such plan shall be known as the Northwest Lynch Unit Agreement Plan.

Northwest Lynch Unit Agreement (3) That the \_\_ Plan is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico by law relative to the supervision and control of operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the Northwest Lynch \_ Unit, or relative to the production of oil and gas

therefrom.

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prising 3,040 acres, more or less.

- (b) That the unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said plan; provided, however, that administrative approval for expansion or contraction of the unit area must also be obtained from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (5) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the Northwest \_\_ Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof. In the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

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- (7) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DOME at Santa Fe, New Nexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated. BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
October 24, 1962

## EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

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BANTA FE. N. M. PHONE 983-3971 PHONE 322	A	Where do you live, Mr. Mackey?
FAR	1	Shreveport, Louisiana.
	Q	By whom are you employed?
	А	Union Producing Company.
	Q	In what capacity?
	Α	Geophysicist.
	Q	How long have you been employed by the Union Producing
	Company?	
	<b>A</b>	Eleven years.
	Q	Have you been in charge of the geophysical work for
	the Union	Producing Company for the last several years?
	Α	Yes, sir.
	Q	What is your official position with them?
	Α	Geophysicist.
	Q	Are you a graduate engineer?
	Α	Yes, sir.
	Q	From what school?
	Α	Texas Tech.
	Q	What year?
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Petroleum Engineer, Geophysics option.

Q After your graduation, have you pursued your profession since your graduation?

Yes, sir.

Have you been employed by any other companies other than Union Producing Company?

Yes, sir, I was employed by Stanolind Oil and Gas in 1941 and '42, and by Seismic Exploration, Inc. in 1945 through 1951, and Union Producing Company from 1951 to the present time.

Q Has your work consisted of any work in Southeastern New Mexico?

Α Yes, sir.

Are you familiar with the Northwest Lynch Area that's Q the subject of this application?

Α Yes, sir.

Are you familiar with the application which has been filed by the Union Producing Company in this case?

Α Yes, sir.

Did your company make a geophysical survey of this area?

Yes, sir.

When was that survey made? Q

1959 and 1960. Α

Did it cover only this particular area, or did it cover other areas?



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It covered an area immediately adjacent to our proposed unit.

- Which way? Q
- All around, all sides.
- I hand you Union's Exhibit A and ask you to explain Q what it is and what it shows.

This is our proposed unit outline. It shows that the unit contains 1160 acres of State land and 1880 acres of Federal land, making a total of 3,040 acres. It also shows the ownership of the leasehold interests by number of tracts, which are the same numbers as shown on Exhibit B attached to the proposed Unit Agreement. Also the serial numbers of the Federal and State leases, as well as the expansion dates.

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In connection with that application, do you know whether or not the Union filed a geological report that is with the application to the U.S.G.S.?

Yes, sir, they did.

I hand you Applicant's Exhibit C and ask you whether or not that is a copy of the report which was filed with the application?

Α Yes, it is.

Are you familiar with the report?

Yes, sir.

Will you refer to the report, or Exhibit A, and explain in your own words what it shows?

This is a geological report prepared by A. F. McDade, one of our geologists in Midland, Texas. It gives the location of a proposed unit outline. It also gives the regional geology of the area, the local geology of the area. It also goes into

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the Exhibit 1 which is attached to this report.

Q Is there any comment you care to make with respect to the regional geology of the area?

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New Mexico, and lies in the extreme southeastern portion of the

area called the Carlsbad Shelf Area. It is in this area that

production has been found immediately west of our proposed unit,

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formations, two from the Bone Springs, also production from the

Devonian and also from the Pennsylvanian.

Q What about the structure that exists and that you found in connection with the survey which you made?

A During the seismic survey, we discovered two seismic anomalies in the area, one being the Lea Unit immediately west of our proposed unit.

Q Did your survey cover the entire area that is now the Lea Unit?

A Yes, sir, it did.

Q Go ahead.

A In addition to this anomaly, we uncovered another anomaly similar to the Lea Unit structure, which is inside the area in which we are proposing our unit.

Q Now refer to Exhibit 1 which is attached to our report which has been identified as Exhibit C, and explain what that shows.

A This is the results of the seismic survey conducted in



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our Northeast Lea Unit Area.

- Is this your interpretation of the result?
- Yes, sir, it is.
- Q Did you prepare this map?
- Yes, sir.
- Go ahead.

It shows an anomaly with approximately 250 feet of structural closure separated from the Lea Unit by syncline on the west, and also by a down to the north fault on the north and northwest side of the structure. This particular map is contoured on the Mississippian horizon, which we feel reflects the structure at Devonian depth, which is the formation which we propose to drill our well in case this outline is approved.

- Is this a similar structure in character to the one which was found in the Lea Unit to the west?
  - A Similar in nature, yes, sir.
- Does Exhibit C, that is, Exhibit 1 that is attached to Exhibit C, show the proposed location?
  - Yes, sir, it does. Α
  - Where is that?
- 1980 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 17, Township 20 South, Range 35 East.
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  - 15,000 feet.
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A Yes, sir.

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A Yes, sir.

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A Yes, sir.

Q Any further comments you have to make with respect to the geological report?

A No, sir. The only other comment that I would make, that in this report on page 3 there is a complete list of all the horizons that will be penetrated, and also the lithology analysis of those particular horizons.

Q And the approximate depth that they will be found?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now in connection with the application there was filed a copy of the proposed Unit Agreement. Are you familiar with the Unit Agreement?



Do you know whether or not the form which has been filed is substantially the same as that which has heretofore been approved by the Commission, the Commissioner of Public Lands, and the U.S.G.S, where both Federal and State lands are involved?

Α Yes, it's the same.

Q Do you know whether or not the Unit Agreement has been approved as to form by the Commissioner of Public Lands?

Α Yes, sir, it has.

Was a copy of the report which you have referred to as Exhibit C filed with the Commissioner of Public Lands?

A Yes, sir.

Q In the proposed Unit Agreement, who is designated as the unit operator?

Α Jake L. Hamon of Dallas, Texas. ..

Why was Jake Hamon designated as operator, rather than the Union Producing Company?

In our West Texas-New Mexico area, we have no technical people for drilling and production. Mr. Hamon has had quite a bit of experience in this part of the area; in fact, he has some interest in the Lea Unit Area, and it was felt that he would be the logical one to use as an operator as a partner with us in this venture.

Does the Unit Agreement provide for the drilling of the initial test well which you've referred to?



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Α	Yes,	sir.

- Q And to the same depth that you've referred to?
- Yes, sir. Α
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  - Α It covers all formations.
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  - Α Yes, they have.
- What percentage of the acreage commitment of the entire proposed area do you expect to get?
  - A =100 percent.
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Yes, sir.

MR. HINKLE: I believe that's all.

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COUNTY OF BERNALILLO

I, ADA DEARNLEY, Notary Public in and for the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing was reported by me in stenotype, and that the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability.

WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 24th day of November, 1962, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

My Commission Expires: June 19, 1963.

> I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Exeminer tearing of Case No. 2677.

, Examiner New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission



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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico October 24, 1962

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- Yes, it's the same.
- Do you know whether or not the Unit Agreement has been approved as to form by the Commissioner of Public Lands?
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  - Jake L. Hamon of Dallas, Texas. .
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WITNESS my Hand and Seal this 24th day of November, 1962, in the City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico.

My Commission Expires:

June 19, 1963.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a complete reserve of the proceedings in the Mandrer hearing of Case No. 36.22.

. Examiner Commission

New Mexico Oil Conservation

NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT T-20-S, R-35-E LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO GEOLOGICAL REPORT

BEFORE EXAMINER UTZ

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EXHIBIT NO.

CASE NO.

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## NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO GEOLOGICAL REPORT

## PURPOSE

The various interested parties propose the formation of this unit in order to drill a 14,700' exploratory well at a location 1980' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 17, T-20-S, R-35-E, Lea County, New Mexico. This test is designed to explore for oil and/or gas in the thick sedimentary section down to and including the Devonian and will evaluate all of the known producing zones in the immediate area.

## REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The Northeast Lynch Unit is located 22 miles southwest of Hobbs, New Mexico, and lies in the extreme southeastern portion of an area often designated as the Carlsbad Shelf. During all or a part of Guadalupian-Permian time, this province was a "back-reef" or shelf facies lying north of the Guadalupian reef complex and west of the Central Basin Platform. Sediments of the lower Guadalupian, Pre-Guadalupian Permian and Pennsylvanian are of a basinal environment and are typical of Delaware Basin deposition. The earlier Paleozoic rocks in this vicinity are generally similar to those found over vast areas of southeastern New Mexico and western Texas.

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## LOCAL GEOLOGY

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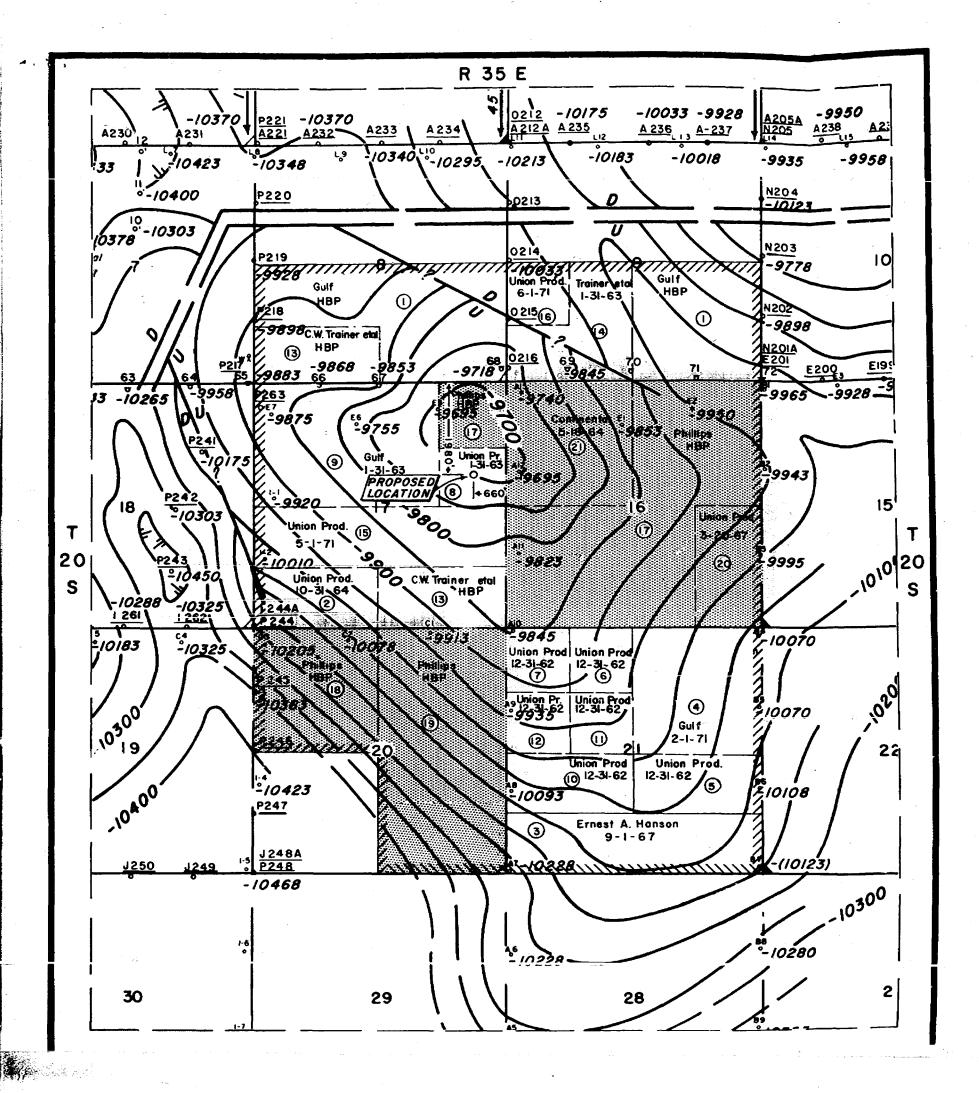
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Attachment:

Exhibit 1. Seismic map



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> Northeast Lynch Unit Area Lea County, New Mexico

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Please let us have a copy of the Notice published in connection with the hearing.

Yours very truly,

HERVEY, DOW & HINKLE

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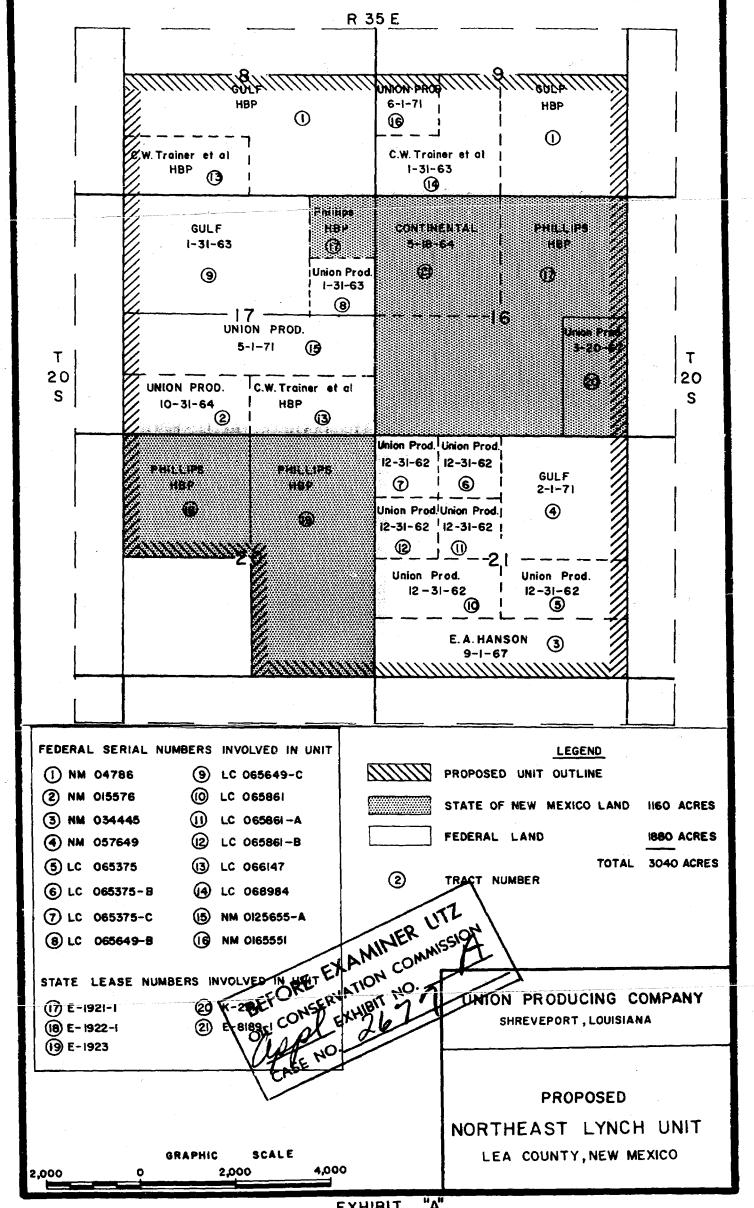
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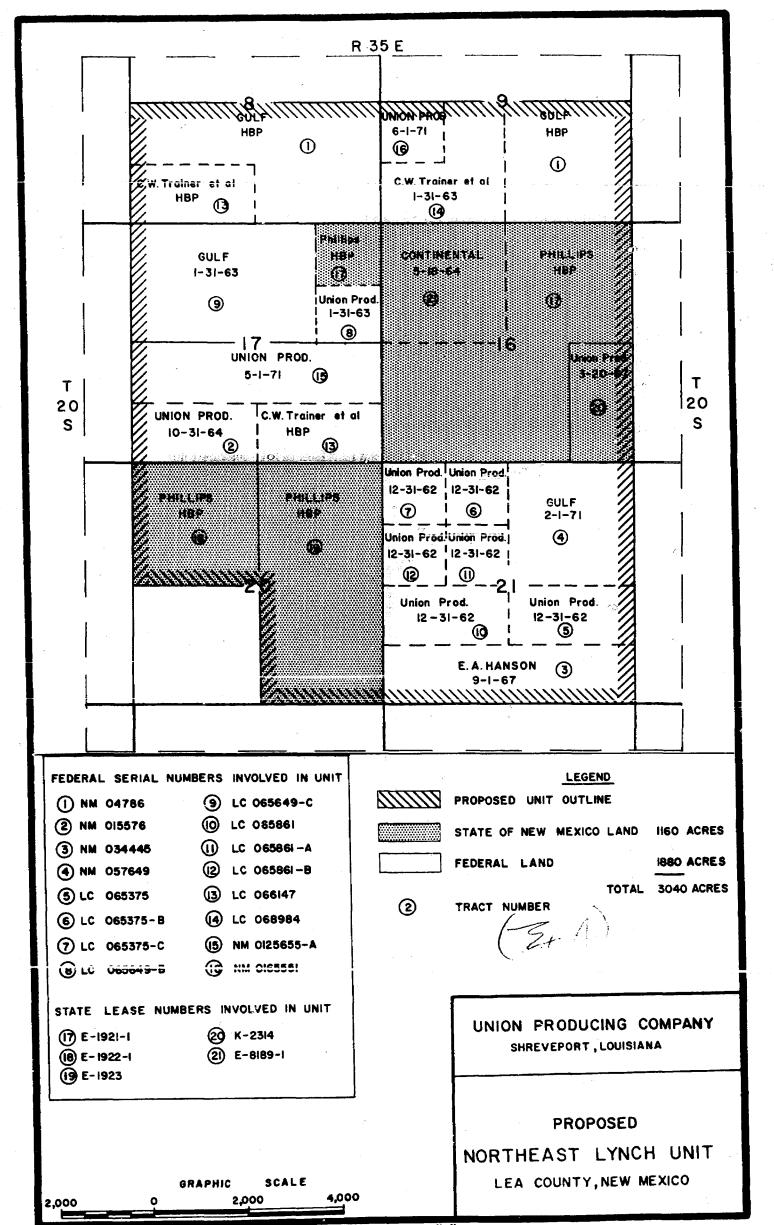
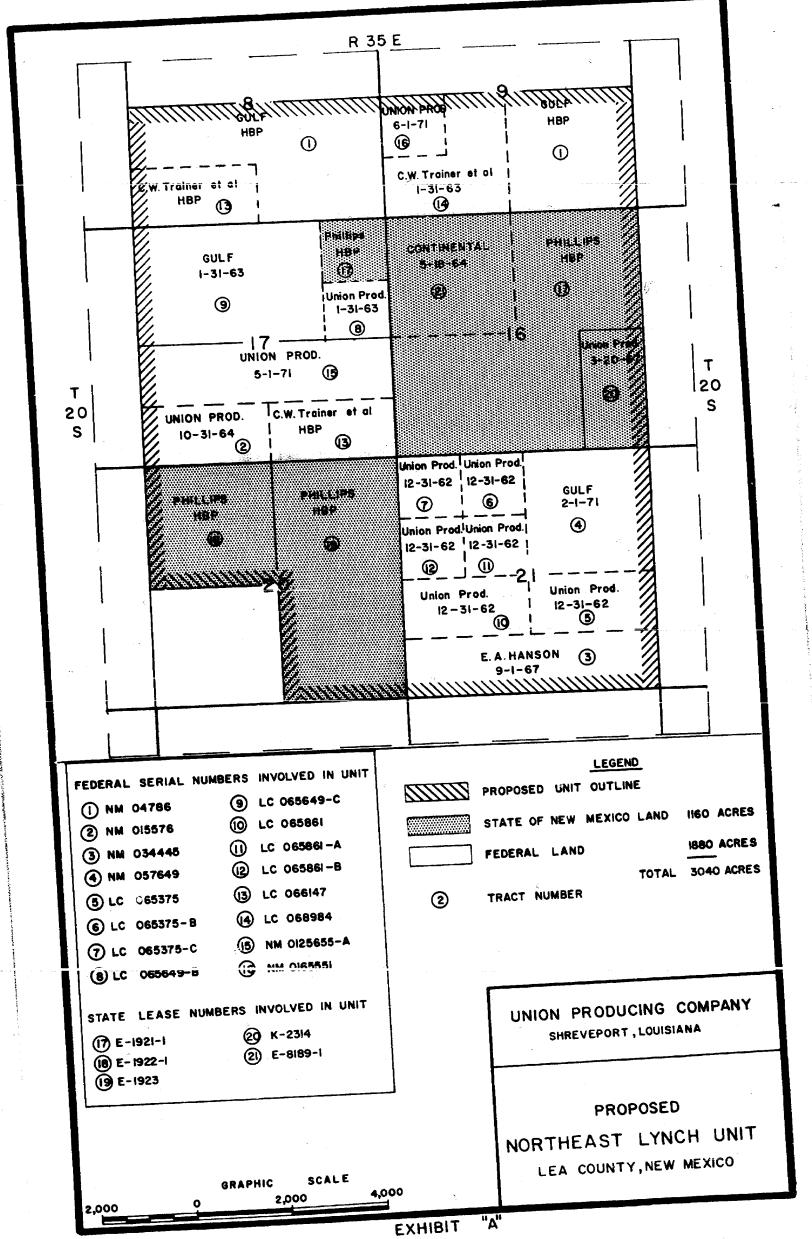


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13,150' - 13,500'	Dark shales and very thin impure car- bonates		Mississippian
13,500° - 14,100°	Siliceous carbonates	"Mississippian Lime"	Mississippian
14,100' - 14,300'	Dark shales	Woodford	Mississippian or Devonian
14,300' - 14,700'	Limestones and porous dolomites		Devonian

#### SUMMARY

This test and unit are located in a portion of Southeastern New Mexico which is the scene of a rapidly increasing exploratory program in search of hydrocarbon reserves in the lower Permian and Pre-Permian sections. The Lea Unit to the west established the deepest oil production to date in the State of New Mexico, and it is obvious the field will contain large oil reserves.

The seismic program disclosed two large positive anomalies in the deeper beds. The westernmost of these is now productive at the Lea Unit, which produces oil from the Devonian and Bone Spring and gas condensate from the Lower Pennsylvanian (Bend). The easternmost of these structures, which underlies the Northeast Lynch Unit, has never been tested by a deep well. The thick sedimentary section and the numerous oil and gas shows encountered in the general area indicate that several prolific zones may be found productive in a structurally high well.

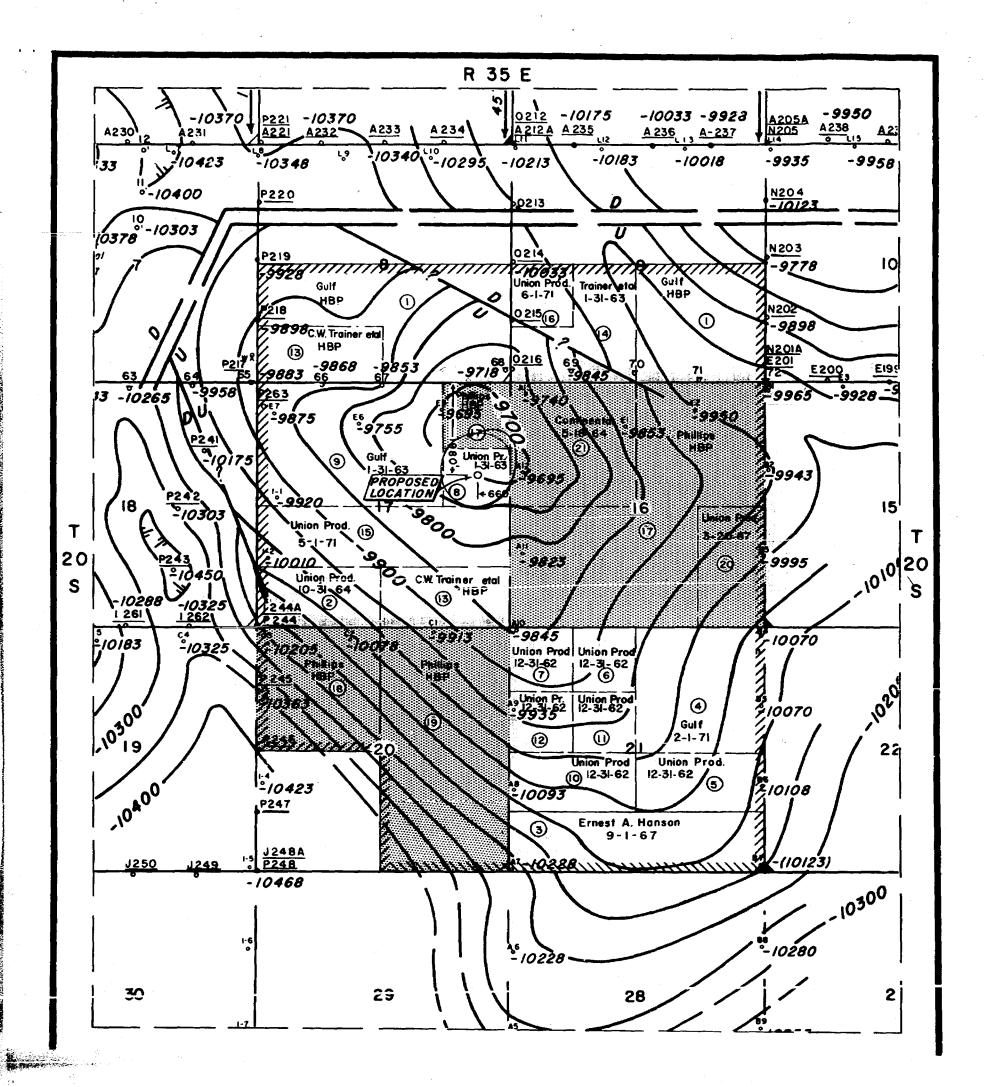
The character and relief of the positive feature and the numerous possible producing horizons make this a very attractive prospect.

A. F. McDade

Geologist - Union Producing Company

Attachment:

Exhibit 1. Seismic map



FEDERAL SERIAL NUMBERS INVOLVED IN UNIT	PROPOSED UNIT OUTLINE		
① NM 04786 ② LC 065649-C			
② NM 015576 (10) LC 065861	STATE OF NEW MEXICO LAND1160 acres		
(3) NM 034445 (1) LC 065861-A			
4 NM 057649 (2) LC 065861-B	FEDERAL LAND 1880 acres		
(5) LC 065375 (3) LC 066147	Total 3040 acres  Tract number		
6 LC 065375-B (4) LC 068984	o SHOT POINT		
7 LC 065375-C (5) NM 0125655-A			
(B) LC 065649-B (G) NM 0165551			
STATE LEASE NUMBERS INVOLVED IN UNIT	UNION PRODUCING COMPANY SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA		
(i) E-1921-1 (2) K-2314	REFLECTION SEISMOGRAPH SURVEY		
(19) E-1923	OF THE PROPOSED		
	NORTHEAST LYNCH UNIT		
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EXHIBIT I

GOVERNOR EDWIN L. MECHEM CHAIRMAN

# State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

LAND COMMISSIONER E. S. JOHNNY WALKER MEMBER



STATE GEOLOGIST A. L. PORTER, JR. SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE

October 31, 1962

Mr. Clarence Hinkle Hervey, Dow & Hinkle Attorneys at Law Box 10 Roswell, New Mexico

2677 Case No.\_\_ Order No. 2-2351 Re: Applicant: Union Producing Company

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Dear Sir: Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

ir/ Carbon copy of order also sent to: Hobbs OCC \_\_\_\_\_ Artesia OCC\_\_\_\_ Astec OCC OTHER

# REFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION CONCESSION OF MEN MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2677 Order No. R-2351

APPLICATION OF UNION PRODUCING COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE HOMESMANT LYNCH UNIT AGRESMENT, LAR COUNTY, MEN MEXICO.

#### CONTROL OF THE COUNTESTON

#### BY THE COMMISSIONS

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 24, 1962, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Uts, Described day appointed by the Oil Conservation Consission of New Mexico, bereignifer referred to as the "Consission," in accordance with Tale 1214 of the Compission Tales and Regulations.

Now, on this day of October, 1962, the Commission, a querus being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Huminer, Blvis A. Vts., and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FIRM.

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject uniter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Union Producing Company, seeks aggreed of the Mortheast Lynch Unit Agreement covering 3,040 acres, more or less, of State and Pederal lands in Township 20 South, Name 35 East, MOM, Les County, New Marcioo.
- (3) That approval of the proposed Northeest Lynch Unit Agreement will in principle tend to proupts the conservation of oil and gas and the prevention of waste.

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- (1) That the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement is hereby aggreered.
- (2) That the plan under which the unit agreement for the ated shall be estimated in the form of a unit agreement for the development and operation of the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement such plan shall be known as the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement Plan.

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- (3) That the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement Plan is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that Notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as weiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or any hereafter be, vested in the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico by law relative to the supervision and control of eperations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the Northeast Lynch Unit, or relative to the production of oil and gas therefrom.
  - (4) (a) That the unit area shall be:

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- (b) That the unit area may be enlarged or contracted as provided in said plan; provided, however, that administrative approval for expansion or contraction of the unit area must also be obtained from the Secretary-Director of the Commission.
- (3) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission on emouted original or executed counterpart of the Northeast Lynch Unit Agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof. In the event of subsequent joinder by any party or engancies or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.
- (6) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Coumissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico and the Director of the United States Geological Survey, and shall terminate <u>inso facto</u> upon the termination of said unit agreement. The last unit operator shall notify the Coumission immediately in writing of such termination.
- (7) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may down necessary.

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DOME at santa Fe, New Munico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

OIL COMBINIATION COMMISSION

BUNIE L. MICHIN, Chairman

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NOW, on this 31st day of October, 1962, the Coumission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Reminer, Elvis A. Vtz, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FIEDS:

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DOWN at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF MEN MEXICO OIL COMSERVATION CONMISSION

ROWLN L. MECHEN, Chairman

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#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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NOW, on this day of October, 1962, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

E. S. WALKER, Member

A. L. PORTER. Jr., Member & Secretary

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