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		2 MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5902, application of Amoco
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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

1, SIDNEY F. MORRIEN, a Certified Shorthand Reporter,
do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript
of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
was reported by me, and the same is a true and correct record
of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and
ability.

Sidney Morrish,

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is i corpion of the proceedings in the Example Heard to be on 4-29 New Merice Oil Conservation Commission

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Amoco Production Company

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager

April 18, 1977

File: HHR-986.51NM-1754

Re: Case 5902 April 20, 1977 Examiner Hearing Docket Apple Draw Unit Area

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (3) P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

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Amoco Production Company respectfully requests that Case 5902 -April 20, 1977 Examiner Hearing Docket - for approval of the Apple Draw Unit in Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico be dismissed.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501 LAND COMMISSIONER PHIL R. LUCERO



EMERY C. ARNOLD

DIRECTOR JOE D. RAMEY

PHIL R. LUCERO April 28, 1977

Re: Mr. J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager Amoco Production Company P. O.Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Applicant:

ORDER NO. R-5424

CASE NO.

Amoco Production Company

5902

Dear Sir:

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

Yours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY Director

JDR/fd

Copy of order also sent to:

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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. 5902 Order No. R-5424

APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE APPLE DRAW UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 20, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>26th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 1977, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5902 is hereby dismissed.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHILER. LUCERO, Chairman Ann E EMERY C. ARNOLD, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Momber & Secretary

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Dockets Nos. 15-77 and 16-77 are tentatively set for hearing on May 11 and May 25, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 20, 1977

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

The following cases will be heard before Hichard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel 5, Mutter, Alternate Frankher:

ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1977, from seventeen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Chaves, and Roosevelt Counties, New Mexico.

> (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for May, 1977, from four prorated pools in San Juan; Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

CASE 5872: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 5872 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5373 which order suspended Rules 15(A) and 15(B) of the General Rules for Prorated Gas Pools as promulgated by Order No. R-1670, as amended, to permit overproduced wells to continue to produce gas during the present severe weather conditions without danger of being shut in for overproduction. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said suspension should not rescinded. Also to be considered will be the matter of final disposition of overproduction accrued during the period σ suspension of Rules 15(A) and 15(B), and what, if any, special consideration should be given to underproduction accrued to gas wells during the period of suspension of said rules.

CASE 5888: (Continued from March 23, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Dalport Oil Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Les County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its A. L. Christmas Well No. 3 to be drilled 330 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 25, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Jalmat Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5901: Application of Gulf Oil Corporation for a non-standard proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 400-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 8, and the E/2 NW/4 and NE/4 of Section 17, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, Eumont Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated to applicant's Theodore Anderson Wells Nos. 1 and 4, located at unorthodox locations in Unit 0 of said Section 8 and Unit B of said Section 17, respectively.

CASE 5902:

Application of Amoco Production Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the Apple Draw Unit Area comprising 3840 acres, more or less, of Federal, State, and Fee lands in Township 25 South, Rarge 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5903: Application of Maddox Energy Corporation for an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a gas well to be drilled at a point 2310 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, Atoka-Pennsylvanian Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5639: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 5639 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5173, which order established temporary special pool rules for the South Maljamar-Strawn Pool, Lea County, Hew Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing units.

CASE 5904: (This Case will be continued to the May 11, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pruitland and Pictured Cliffs formations underlying the NE/4 and/or SE/4 of Section 20, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, and in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the E/2 of said Section 20, the above-described lands to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

Examiner Hering - Wednesday - April 20, 1977

CASE 5905: (This Case will be continued to the May 11, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesoaverde and Dakota formations underlying the W/2 SE/4 and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 3, and the NW/4 of Section 10, and all mineral interests in the Pictured Cliffs and Fruitland formations underlying the NW/4 of Section 10, all in Township 31 North, Range 7 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1800 feet from the North line and 850 feet from the West line of said Section 10. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5906: (This Case will be continued to the May 11, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Palmer Oil & Gas Company for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the W/2 SW/4 of Section 2, the E/2 SE/4 of Section 3, and the NE/4 of Section 10, all in Township 31 North, Range 7 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled 1525 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the East line of said Section 10. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 5907: Application of Dome Petroleum Corporation for a special depth bracket allowable, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a special depth bracket allowable of 750 barrels of oil per day for the Papers Wash-Entrada Cil Pool, McKinley County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5908: Application of Dome Petroleum Corporation for a special depth bracket allowable, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the establishment of a special depth bracket allowable of 750 barrels of oil per day for the Ojc Encino-Entrada Oil Pool, McKinley County, New Mexico.
- CASE 5909: Application of Dome Petroleum Corporation for pool creation and special depth bracket allowable, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of the Snake Eyes-Entrada Oil Pool in Section 20, Township 21 North, Range 8 West, San Juan County, New Mexico, and the establishment of a special depth bracket allowable of 750 barrels of oil per day for said pool.

CASE 5910: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for gas pool creations and downhole commingling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of three Pennrylvanian gas pools in Townships 17 and 18 South, Ranges 24, 25, and 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, including the Richard Knob- and East Eagle Creek-Lower Penn Gas Pools with provisions in each for commingling Strawn, Atoka, and Morrow production in the wellbores of wells drilled therein, and the Eagle Creek Permo-Penn Gas Pool with provision for commingling Wolfcamp, Cisco, Canyon, and Strawn production in the wellbores of wells drilled therein.

CASE 5898: (Continued from April 6, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Chace Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Ballard-Pictured Cliffs and South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota production in the wellbore of its Jicarilla 70 Well No. 3 located in Unit C of Section 33, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. In the alternative, applicant seeks authority to commingle said production at the surface without prior measurement and waiver of the gas-oil ratio test requirement.

CASE 5911: Application of Odessa Natural Gas Company for special pool rules, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the adoption of special pool rules for the Chacon-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to provide for 160-acre spacing for oil wells and for reclassification of wells from oil to gas and the removal of such gas wells to the Basin-Dakota Pool.

CASE 5629: (Reopened)

In the matter of Case 5629 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5192, which order established temporary special pool rules for the Chacon-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-more specing units.

CASE 5889: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Saturn 011 Company for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests down to and including the Abo formation underlying the NE/4 SE/4 of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Lineberry Well No. 1 located in Unit I of said Section; and underlying the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to its Lineberry Well No. 2 located in Unit J of said Section. In the event re-entry into either well is unsuccessful, applicant proposes to drill a replacement well at a standard location on its tracts. Also to be considered will be the costs of recompletion or drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the costs thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in recompletion or drilling of said wells.



J. M. Brown Division Engineering Manager

March 29, 1977

File: TBM-986.51NM-1593

Re: Application for Hearing Apple Draw Unit T-25-S, R-27-E Eddy County, New Mexico

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (3) P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

Gentlemen:

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Amoco Production Company respectfully requests a hearing for the purpose of obtaining approval of the Apple Draw Unit. The Unit comprises 3840 acres, more or less, of Federal, State and Fee Lands all in T-25-S, R-27-E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

A copy of the proposed unit agreement is attached. If you have any questions, please direct them to Mr. Jim Pease (713-652-5461) or Mr. Greg Allen (713-652-5249).

Very truly yours,

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JEP:sam Attachment

Amoco Production Company

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

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PHIL R. LUCERO COMMISSIONER

> Amoco Production Company 500 Jefferson Building P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001



Eddy County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Joe W. Durkee

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of March 9, 1977, please be advised that the Commissioner of Public Lands designates the Apple Draw unit area embracing 3,840.00 acres, more or less, Eddy County, New Mexico, as a logical area for exploration and development.

Upon submitting the unit for preliminary approval please submit your initial form of unit agreement, engineering report, and Geological data available.

Upon submitting the unit for final approval the following are required by this office.

- 1. Application for final approval stating all tracts committed and tracts not committed.
- 2. Two executed copies of Unit Agreement-one must be an original.
- 3. One copy of Operating agreement.
- 4. Two copies of all ratifications from Lessees of Record and Working Interest Owners. One must be original signatures.
- 5. Filing fee in the amount of Sixty (\$60.00) Dollars.

Amoco Production Company March 14, 1977 Page 2.



Order of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

Very truly yours,

PHIL R. LUCERO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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BY: **Ogy Y**. **Kine** RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division

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United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Denver Federal Center Denver, Colorado 80225



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Amoco Freduction Company LAND DECREDUCE HOUSTON, TEXAS

Amoco Production Company Attention: Mr. C.N. Menninger 500 Jefferson Building P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Gentlemen:

Your application of January 25, 1977, filed with the Assistant Area Oil and Gas Supervisor, Roswell, New Mexico, requests the designation of the Apple Draw unit area, embracing 3,840.00 acres, more or less, Eddy County, New Mexico, as logically subject to exploration and development under the unitization provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act as amended.

Pursuant to unit plan regulations 30 CFR 226, the land requested as outlined on your plat marked <u>"Apple Draw unit area, Eddy County, New Mexico"</u> is hereby designated as a logical unit area.

The unit agreement submitted for the area designated should provide for a well to test the Strawn formation or to a depth of 11,200 feet. Your proposed use of the Form of Agreement for Unproved Areas (1968 reprint) will be accepted with the modifications requested in your application provided it is further modified as follows:

Add the words "as amended" after (30 F.R. 12319) in Section 26, Nondiscrimination.

If conditions are such that further modification of said standard form is deemed necessary, three copies of the proposed modifications with appropriate justification must be submitted to this office through the Assistant Area Oil and Gas Supervisor for preliminary approval. In the absence of any other type of land requiring special provisions or of any objections not now apparent, a duly executed agreement identical with said form. modified as outlined above, will be approved if submitted in approvable status within a reasonable period of time. However, notice is hereby given that the right is reserved to deny approval of any executed agreement submitted which, in our opinion, does not have the full commitment of sufficient lands to afford effective control of operations in the unit area.

When the executed agreement is transmitted to Roswell, New Mexico for the Supervisor's approval, include the latest status of all acreage. In preparation of Exhibits "A" and "B", follow closely the format of the sample exhibits attached to the 1968 reprint of the aforementioned form.

Inasmuch as this unit agreement involves State land, we are sending a copy of the letter to Commissioner of Public Lands in Santa Fe. Please contact the State of New Mexico before soliciting joinders regardless of prior contacts or clearances from the State.

Sincerely yours,

George H. How

Regional Conservation Manager For the Director

CERTIFICATION - DETERMINATION

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Interior, under the act approved February 25, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U. S. C. secs. 181, et seq., and delegated to the Oil and Gas Supervisor of the Geological Survey (33 F.R. 4812), I do hereby:

A. Approve the attached agreement for the development and operation of the Pavo Mesa Unit Area, 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:

Oil and Gas Supervisor, United States Geological Survey

Contract Number:

87116 L.

UNIT AGREEMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE APPLE DRAW UNIT COUNTY OF EDDY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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Exhibit "A" (Map)

Exhibit "B" (Description of interests subject to agreement)

UNIT AGREEMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE APPLE DRAW UNIT AREA COUNTY OF EDDY STATE OF NEW MEXICO NO.

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THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the 2nd. day of May, 1977, 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 February 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. 1, Chap. 88, Laws 1943 as amended by Sec. 1 of Chapter 162, Laws of 1951), (Chap. 7, Art. 11, Sec. 39, N.M. Statutes 1953 Annot.), to consent to and approve the development or operation of State lands under agreements made by lessees of State land jointly or severally with other lessees where such agreements provide for the unit operation or development of part of or all of any oil or gas pool, field or area; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Sec. 1, Chap. 162, Laws of 1951, Chap. 7, Art. 11, Sec. 41 N.M. Statutes 1953 Annotated) to amend with the approval of lessee, evidenced by the lessee's execution of such agreement or otherwise, any oil and gas lease embracing State lands so that the length of the term of said lease may coincide with the term of such agreements for the unit operation and <u>development</u> of part or all of any oil or gas pool, field or area; 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 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

5)

WHEREAS the parties hereto hold sufficient interests in the Apple Draw 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, heretofore 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 non-Federal 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 in which the non-Federal land is located, are hereby accepted and made a part of this agreement.

2. UNIT AREA. The area specified on the map attached hereto marker Exhibit "A" is hereby designated and recognized as constituting the unit area, containing 3840 acres, move or less.

Exhibit "A" shows, in addition to the boundary of the unit area, the boundaries and identity of tracts and leases in said area to the extent known to the Unit Operator. Exhibit "6" 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" and not less than five copies of the revised exhibits shall be filed with the Supervisor, and two copies with the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commissioner", and one copy with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter referred to as "State Commission".

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The above-described unit area shall when practicable be expanded to include therein any additional lands or shall be contracted to exclude lands whenever such expansion or contraction is deemed to be 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 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 and the Commissioner 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

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with the Supervisor and the Commissioner 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.

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- (d) After due consideration of all pertinent information, the expansion or contraction shall, upon approval by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, become effective as of the date prescribed in the notice thereof.
- (e) All legal subdivisions of lands (i.e., 40 acres by Government survey or its nearest lot or tract equivalent; in instances of irregular surveys unusually large lots or tracts shall be considered in multiples of 40 acres or the nearest aliquot equivalent thereof), no parts of which are entitled to be in a participating area on or before the fifth anniversary of the effective date of the first initial participating area established under this unit agreement, shall be eliminated automatically from this agreement, effective as of said fifth anniversary, and such lands shall no longer be a part of the unit area and shall no longer be subject to this agreement, unless diligent drilling operations are in progress on unitized lands not entitled to participation on said fifth anniversary, 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. All legal subdivisions of lands not entitled to be in a participating area within 10 years after the effective date of the first initial participating area approved under this agreement shall be automatically eliminated from this agreement as of said tenth anniversary. All lands proved productive by diligent drilling operations after the aforesaid 5-year period shall become participating in

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the same manner as during said 5-year period. However, when such diligent drilling operations cease, all nonparticipating lands shall be automatically eliminated effective as of the 91st day thereafter. 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 Supervisor and Commissioner and promptly notify all parties in interest.

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If conditions warrant extension of the 'O-year period specified in this subsection 2(e), a single extension of not to exceed 2 years may be accomplished by consent of the owners of 90% of the working interests in the current nonparticipating unitized lands and the owners of 60% of the basic royalty interests (exclusive of the basic royalty interests of the United States) in nonparticipating unitized lands with approval of the Director and Commissioner, provided such extension application is submitted to the Director and the Commissioner not later than 60 days prior to the expiration of said 10year 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. Amoco Production Company is hereby designated as Unit Operator and by signature hereto as Unit Operator 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 an 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 it.

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5. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL OF UNIT OPERATOR. Unit Operator 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, the Supervisor and Commissioner, and until all wells then drilled hereunder are placed in a satisfactory condition for Suspension or abandonment whichever is required by the Supervisor or Commissioner, 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 as herein provided for the selection of a new Unit Operator. Such removal shall be effective upon notice thereof to the Supervisor and the Commissioner.

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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 wells, equipment, materials, and appurtenances used in conducting the unit operations to the new duly qualified successor Unit Operator or to the common agent, 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 participating 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 interest 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:

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(a) A Unit Operator so selected shall accept in writing the duties and responsibilities of Unit Operator, and

(b) The selection shall have been approved by the Supervisor and Commissioner.

If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Director and Commissioner at their election may declare this unit agreement terminated.

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ACCOUNTING PROVISIONS AND UNIT OPERATING AGPREMENT. If the 1. 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 comers 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 allocated 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; however, 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 this unit agreement and the unit operating agreement, this unit agreement shall govern. Three true copies of any unit operating agreement executed pursuant to this section should be filed with the Supervisor and two true copies with the Commissioner, prior to approval of this unit agreement.

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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

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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.

DRILLING TO DISCOVERY. Within 6 months after the effective 9. date hereof, the Unit Operator shall begin to drill an adequate test well at a location approved by the Supervisor, if on Federal land and if upon State land, such location shall be approved by the Commissioner or State Commission unless on such effective date a well is being drilled conformably with the terms hereof, and thereafter continue such drilling diligently until all of the formations of Pennsylvanian Age 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, completing, 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 or to the Commissioner and the State Commission as to wells 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 12,500 feet. Until the discovery of a deposit of unitized substances capable of Laing 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 and if upon State land to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or the State Commission, 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

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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 Supervisor and the Commissioner may modify the drilling requirements of this section by granting reasonable extensions of time when, in his opinion, such action is warranted.

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Upon failure to commence any well provided for in this section within the time allowed, including any extension of time granted by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, this agreement will automatically terminate; upon failure to continue drilling diligently any well commenced hereunder, the Supervisor and Commissioner may, after 15-days' notice to the Unit Operator, 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, the Commissioner and the State Commission an acceptable plan of development and operation for the unitized land which, when approved by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission 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, the Commissioner and the State.

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, the Commissioner and the State Commission may determine to be necessary for timely development and proper conservation of the oil and gas resources of the unitized area and shall:

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- (a) specify the number and locations of any wells to be drilled and the proposed order and time for such drilling; and
- (b) to the extent practicable specify the operating nractices 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, the Commissioner and the State Commission.

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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 the 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 any unitized substance in paying quantities, no further wells, except such as may be necessary to afford protection against operations not under this agreement and such as may be specifically approved by the Supervisor and the 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 or as soon thereafter as required by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, the Unit Operator shall submit for approval by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission a schedule, based on subdivisions of the public-land survey or aliquot parts thereof, of all land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities; all lands in said schedule on approval of the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission to constitute a participating area, effective as of the date of completion of such well or the effective date of this 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

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survey as of the effective date of each initial participating area. Said schedule shall also set forth the percentage of unitized substances to be allocated as herein provided to each tract in the participating area so established, and shall govern the allocation of production commencing with the effective date of the participating area. A separate participating area shall be established for each separate pool or deposit of unitized substances or for any group thereof which is produced as a single pool or zone, and any two/or more participating areas so established may be combined into one, on approval of the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission. When production from two or more participating areas, so established, is subsequently found to be from a common pool or deposit said participating areas shall be combined into one effective as of such appropriate date as may be approved or prescribed by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission. The participating area or areas so established shall be revised from time to time, subject to like approval, to include additional land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities or necessary for unit operations, or to exclude land then regarded as reasonably proved not to be productive in paying quantities and the schedule of allocation percentages shall 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 Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission. No land shall be excluded from a participating area on account of depletion of the unitized substances, except that any participating area established under the provisions of this unit agreement shall terminate automatically whenever all completions in the formation on which the participating area is based are abandoned.

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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.

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In the absence of agreement at any time between the Unit Operator and the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission 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 shall be impounded in a manner mutually acceptable to the owners of working interests and the Supervisor and Commissioner. Royalties due the United States and the State of New Mexico shall be determined by the Supervisor and Commissioner and the amount thereof shall be deposited, as directed by the Supervisor and the 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 on Federal land, the Commissioner as to wells on State lands, 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 unless such land is already within the 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, the Commissioner and the State Commission, 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 lastmentioned 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 such area was last defined at the time of such final production.

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13. DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION OF NON-PARTICIPATING LAND 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, the Commissioner or the State Commission, 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.

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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.

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If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner obtains production in quantities insufficient to justify the inclusion of the land upon which such well is situated in a participating area, 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 the State of New Mexico and all royalty owners who are entitled to take in kind a share of the substances now unitized hereunder shall hereafter be entitled to the right to take in kind its share of the unitized substances, and limit Operator, or the working interest owner in case of the operation of a well by a working interest owner as herein provided for in special cases, 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, or by the Unit Operator 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, in

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conformity with a plan of operations approved by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, a like amount of gas, after settlement as herein provided for any gas transferred from any other participating area and with appropriate deduction for loss from any cause, may be withdrawn from the formation into which the gas is introduced, royalty free as to dry gas, but not as to any products which may be extracted therefrom; provided that such withdrawal shall be at such time as may be provided in the approved plan of operations or as may otherwise be consented to by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the State Commission as conforming to good petroleum engineering practice; and provided further, that such right of withdrawal shall terminate on the termination of this unit agreement.

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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 as to non-Federal lands under the respective leases shall be computed and paid on the basis of all unitized substances allocated to such lands hereunder.

RENTAL SETTLEMENT. Rental or minimum royalties due on leases 26 15. committed hereto shall be paid by working interest owners responsible 27 therefor under existing contracts, laws, and regulations, provided that 28 nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any 29 land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any 30 rental or minimum royalty due under their leases. Rental or minimum 31 royalty for lands of the United States subject to this agreement shall 32 be paid at the rate specified in the respective leases from the United 33

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States unless such rental or minimum royalty is waived, suspended, or reduced by Taw or by approval of the Secretary on 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, or may be reduced and suspended upon the order of the Commissioner pursuant to applicable Taws and regulations.

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With respect to any lease on non-Federal land containing provisions which would terminate such lease unless drilling operations are commenced upon the lard covered thereby within the time therein specified or rentals are 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 until the required drilling operations are commenced upon the land covered thereby or until 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 such measures as the Supervisor and the Commissioner deem appropriate and adequate to prevent drainage of unitized substances from unitized land by wells on land not subject to this agreement.

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 on 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

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and the Commissioner as to State of New Mexico leases shall and 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 leases and State of New Mexico 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:

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- (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 separately owned tract subject to this agreement, regardless of whether there is any development of any particular tract of the unit area.
- (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 or his duly authorized representative and on all unitized lands of the State of New Mexico pursuant to the consent of the Commissioner, or his duly recognized representative, shall be deemed to constitute such suspension pursuant to such direction or consent as to each and every tract of unitized land. A suspension of drilling or producing operations limited to specified lands shall be applicable only to such lands.

(d) Each lease, sublease or contract relating to the exploration, drilling, development or operation for oil or gas of lands other than those of the United States committed to this agreement, which, by its terms might expire prior to the

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termination of this agreement, is hereby extended beyond . any such terms so provided therein so that it shall be continued in full force and effect for and during the term of this agreement.

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(e) 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.

(f) 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.

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(g) The segregation of any Federal lease cummitted to this agreement is governed by the following provision in the fourth paragraph of Sec. 17(j) of the Mineral Leasing Aci, 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: <u>Provided</u>, 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."

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(h) Any lease, other than a Federal lease, having only a portion of its lands committed hereto shall be segregated as to the portion committed and the portion not committed, and the provisions of such lease shall apply separately to such segregated portions commencing as of the effective date hereof. In the event any such lease provides for a lump-sum rental payment, such payment shall be prorated between the portions so segregated in proportion to the acreage of the respective tracts.

19. COVENANTS RUN WITH LAND. The covenants berein 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

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land or leases subject hereto shall be and hereby is conditioned upon the assumption of all privileges and obligations hereunder by the grantee, transferree, 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.

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20. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Secretary or his duly authorized representative and shall terminate five (5) years from said effective date unless:

- (a) such date of expiration is extended by the Director and the Commissioner, or
- (b) it is reasonably determined prior to the expiration of the fixed term of 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 Supervisor, and the 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 unitized substances so discovered can be produced as aforesaid, or

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

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

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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, no such alteration or modification shall be affective as to any land of the State of New Mexico as to the rate of prospecting and development in the absence of the specific written approval thereof by the Commissioner and as to 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 Commissioner.

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 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 Conservation Commission and to appeal from orders issued under the regulations of said

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Department, the Commission or 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 Commissioner or 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.

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23. 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.

24. NO WAIVER OF CERTAIN RIGHTS. Nothing in this agreement contained shall be construed as a wiaver 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.

25. 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 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. No unit obligation which is suspended under this section shall become due less than thirty (30) days after it

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has been determined that the suspension is no longer applicable. Determination of creditable "Unavoidable Delay" time shall be made by the unit operator subject to approval of the Supervisor and Commissioner.

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26. NONDISCRIMINATION. In connection with the performance of work under this agreement, the operator agrees to comply with all the provisions of section 202 (1) to (7) inclusive of Executive Order 11246 (30 F.R. 12319), which are hereby incorporated by reference in this agreement.

27. 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 shall be deposited as directed by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, respectively, 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.

28. 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 delivered to the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the Unit Operator prior to the approval of this agreement by the Supervisor and the Commissioner. Any oil or gas interests in lands within the unit area not committed hereto prior to submission of this agreement

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for final approval may therafter 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. A non-working interest may not be committed to this unit agreement unless the corresponding working interest is 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 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 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 Supervisor or the Commissioner.

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29. 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.

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30. SURRENDER. Nothing in this agreement shall prohibit the exercise by any working interest owner of the right to surrender vested in such party by any lease, sublease, or operating agreement as to all or any part of the lands covered thereby, provided that each party who will or might acquire such working interest by such surrender or by forfeiture as hereafter set forth, is bound by the terms of this agreement.

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If as a result of any such surrender the working interest rights as to such lands become vested in any party other than the fee owner of the unitized substances, said party may forfeit such rights and further benefits from operation hereunder as to said land to the party next in the chain of title who shall be and become the owner of such working interest.

If as the result of any such surrender or forfeiture working interest rights become vested in the fee owner of the unitized substances, such owner may:

- Accept those working interest rights subject to this agreement and the unit operating agreement; or
- (2) Lease the portion of such land as is included in a participating area established hereunder subject to this agreement and the unit operating agreement.
- (3) Provide for the independent operation of any part of such land that are not then included within a participating area established hereunder.

If the fee owner of the unitized substances does not accept the working interest rights subject to this agreement and the unit operating agreement or lease such lands as above provided within six (6) months after the surrendered or forfeited working interest rights become vested in the fee owner, the benefits and obligations of operations accruing to such lands under this agreement and the unit operating agreement shall be shared by the remaining owners of unitized working interests in accordance with their respective working interest ownerships,

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and such owners of working interests shall compensate the fee owner of unitized substances in such lands by paying sums equal to the rentals, minimum royalties, and royalties applicable to such lands under the lease in effect when the lands were unitized.

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An appropriate accounting and settlement shall be made for all benefits accruing to or payments and expenditures made or incurred on behalf of such surrendered or forfeited working interest subsequent to the date of surrender or forfeiture, and payment of any monies found to be owing by such an accounting shall be made as between the parties within thirty (30) days. In the event no unit operating agreement is in existence and a mutually acceptable agreement between the proper parties thereto cannot be consummated, the Supervisor and Commissioner may prescribe such reasonable and equitable agreement as he deems warranted under the circumstances.

The exercise of any right vested in a working interest owner to reassign such working interest to the party from whom obtained shall be subject to the same conditions as set forth in this section in regard to the exercise of a right to surrender.

31. TAXES. The working interest owners shall render and pay for their 19 account and the account of the royalty owners all valid taxes on or 20 measured by the unitized substances in and under or that may be produced, 21 22 gathered and sold from the land subject to this contract after the effec-23 tive date of this agreement, or upon the proceeds or net proceeds derived therefrom. The working interest owners on each tract shall and may 24 charge the proper proportion of said taxes to the royalty owners having 25 interests in said tract, and may currently retain and deduct sufficient 26 of the unitized substances or derivative products, or net proceeds thereof 27 28 from the allocated share of each royalty owner to secure reimbursement for the taxes so paid. No such taxes shall be charged to the United 29 30 States or the State of New Mexico or to any lessor who has a contract with his lessee which requires the lessee to pay such taxes. 31

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32. NO PARTNERSHIP. It is expressly agreed that the relation of the parties hereto is that of independent contractor; and nothing in this agreement contained, expressed or implied, nor any operations conducted hereunder, shall create or be deemed to have created a partnership or association between the parties hereto or any of them.

33. SURFACE MANAGEMENT STIPULATION. Nothing in this agreement shall modify any special Federal-lease stipulations relating to surface management, attached to and made a part of Oil and Gas Leases covering lands within the Unit Area.

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

UNIT OPERATOR

Amoco Production Company	APPROVED
ByActorney-in-Fact	
WORKING INTEREST OWNERS	

STATE OF TEXAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this <u>23</u> day of <u>CUSA</u>, 1974, by <u>G. N. MENNINGER</u> as Attorney-in-Fact on behalf of AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY.

My Commission Expires:

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Notary Public in and fo Harris County, Texas

IRENE HALDAS Notary Public in and for Harris County, Texas

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APPLE DRAW UNIT AREA EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

THIS AGREEMENT entered into as of the 1st day of March, 1974, by and between the parties who have signed the original of this instrument, a counterpart thereof, or other instrument agreeing to be bound by the provisions hereof.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties hereto as working interest owners have entered into, as of the date hereof, a Unit Agreement for the Development and Operation of theApple Draw Unit Area, Eddy County, New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Unit Agreement", which among other things, provides for a "Unit Operating Agreement", to be entered into by and between the working interest owners for the purpose of providing for the allocation of costs of operation and development of the unit area and the production of unitized substances therefrom among the working interest owners, and to otherwise provide for the development and operation of the unit area as set forth in said unit agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

ARTICLE I

CONFIRMATION OF UNIT AGREEMENT

1.1 The aforesaid unit agreement and all exhibits attached thereto are hereby confirmed and made a part of this agreement. Said unit agreement and this unit operating agreement, therefore, shall be effective as to all of the tracts described and identified in Exhibits "A" and "B" of said unit agreement.

ARTICLE II

TITLE EXAMINATION AND LOSS OF LEASES

2.1 <u>Title Examination</u>: The parties hereto shall, as soon as practicable, submit to unit operator copies of their respective leases

embracing lards committed to the unit area, together with all rentals receipts and copies of any and all title opinions covering said lands, and shall loan to unit operator for examination all abstracts which they may have covering said lands. Unit operator shall procure all supplemental abstracts and other title papers which may be necessary or required to examine title to the leasehold interests pertinent to any drillsite and all expenses incurred in examining title shall be charged as an expense to the parties participating in the drilling of any test well in proportion to their respective interests.

2.2 <u>Failure of Title</u>: Should any oil and gas lease, or interest therein, be lost through failure of title, this agreement shall nevertheless continue in force as to all remaining leases and interests; and

(1) Each party whose lease or interest therein is affected by the failure of title shall bear alone the entire loss resulting from failure of title to such party's lease or interest therein, and it shall not be entitled to recover from operator or the other parties any development or operating costs which it may have theretofore paid, but there shall be no monetary Hability on its part to the other parties hereto by reason of such title failure; and

(2) There shall be no retroactive adjustment of expenses incurred or revenues received from the operation of the interest which has been lost, but the interests of the parties shall be revised on an acreage basis, as of the time it is, finally determined that title failure has occurred, so that the interest of the party or parties whose lease or interest is affected by the title failure will thereafter be reduced in the unit area by the amount of the interest lost; and

(3) If the proportionate interests of the other parties hereto in any producing well theretofore drilled on the unit area is increased by reason of the title failure, the party whose title has failed shall receive the proceeds attributable to the increase in such interests (less operating costs attributable thereto) until it has been reimbursed for unrecovered costs paid by it in connection with such well; and

(4) Should any person not a party to this agreement, who is determined to be the owner of any interest in the title which has failed,

pay in any manner any part of the cost of operation, development or equipment previously paid under this agreement, such amount shall be proportionately paid to the party or parties hereto who in the first instance paid the costs which are so refunded; and

(5) Any liability to account to a third party for prior production of oil and gas which arises by reason of title failure shall be borne by the parties in the same proportion in which they shared in such prior production.

2.3 Loss of Leases for Causes Other Than Title Failure: If any lease or interest subject to this agreement be lost through failure to develop or because express or implied covenants have not been performed, or if any lease be permitted to expire at the end of its primary term and not be renewed or extended, or if any lease or interest therein is lost due to the fact that the production therefrom is shut in by reason of lack of market, the loss shall not be considered a failure of title and all such losses shall be joint losses and shall be borne by all parties in proportion to their interests and there shall be no readjustment of the participating interests of the parties hereto on account thereof.

ARTICLE III -

MANAGEMENT OF UNIT

3.1 Unit Operator and Employees: Amoco Production Company, a Delaware corporation with an operating office in Houston, Texas, the party hereto named as unit operator of the unit area under the provisions of the unit agreement, or its duly appointed successor unit operator, shall have the exclusive right to develop and operate the unit area subject to the provisions of this agreement and the unit agreement. All individuals employed by unit operator in the conduct of operations hereunder shall be the employees of unit operator alone and their working hours, rates of compensation and all other matters relating to their employment shall be determined solely by unit operator.

3.2 <u>Unit Operator - Duties</u>: Unit operator shall in the conduct of operations hereunder:

(a) Conduct the operations in a good workmanlike manner,and in the exercise of its judgment and discretion, acting in good faith;

(b) Consult freely with working interest owners concerning unit operations, and keep working interest owners informed of all matters arising during the operation of the unit area which unit operator, in the exercise of its best judgment, considers important;

(c) Keep full and accurate records of all costs incurred, rentals and royalties paid, and controllable materials and equipment, which records, receipts and vouchers in support thereof shall be available for inspection by authorized representatives of the working interest owners at reasonable intervals during usual business hours, at the office of the unit operator;

(d) Permit the working interest owners, each through their duly authorized representatives, but at their sole risk and expense, to have access to the unit area at all times, and to the derrick floor of each well drilled or being drilled hereunder, for the purpose of observing operations conducted hereunder and inspecting jointly owned materials, equipment and other property, and to have access at reasonable times to information and data in the possession of unit operator concerning the unit area;

(e) Furnish to each of the other parties who make timely written request therefor copies of all drilling reports, well lugs and samples of cores or cuttings taken from wells drilled hereunder, containers therefor to be furnished by the party requesting such samples;

(f) Comply with the terms and conditions of the unit agreement and all valid applicable federal and state laws and regulations; and

(g) Keep the land in the unit area free from liens and encumbrances occasioned by its operations, except such liens as the working interest owners elect to contest, and save only the lien granted the unit operator under this agreement.

3.3 <u>Unit Operator - Restrictions</u>. The unit operator shall not do any of the following things without the consent of the working interest owners obtained as herein provided: (a) Locate, drill, deepen or plug back any well or let any contract therefor. The approval of the drilling, deepening or plugging back of any well shall be construed to mean and include the approval of any necessary expenditures incurred in completing and equipping such well, including flow lines, separators and necessary tankage if a producer, and if a dry hole, the plugging and abandonment thereof, except as otherwise provided in Article V hereof;

(b) Make any expenditures in excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for any one single project. Operator shall furnish copies of its "Authority for Expenditures" for any such items.

(c) Make any expenditure for expert technical advice, including any extra services rendered by unit operator's technical staff, not contemplated by the provisions of Exhibit "D" attached hereto, and not covered by the overhead, district and camp expenses therein authorized, which overhead in Exhibit "D" is intended to cover only normal development and operations;

(d) Make any partial relinquishment of the rights of the unit operator;

(e) Abandon any well which has been completed as a producing well or dispose of any major items of surplus material or equipment, other than junk, having an original cost of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) or more (any such item or items of less cost may be disposed of without such approval), except as may otherwise be provided herein;

(f) Designate the lands to be included in any participating area or enlargement thereof, or submit for approval any plan for the development and operation of the unit area or any participating area or supplement or amendment thereto in accordance with the provisions of the unit agreement;

(g) Determine whether to drill a demanded offset well or pay compensatory royalty;

(h) Drill or abandon any injection wells or convert anywell into an injection well; and

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(1) Determine not to pay the annual rental, advance rental or delay rental under any lease.

In case of blowout, explosion, fire, flood or other sudden emergency, unit operator may take such steps and incur such expense as, in its opinion, are required to deal with the emergency and to safeguard life and property; provided that, unit operator shall, as promptly as possible, report the emergency to the other parties and shall endeavor to secure any sanction that might otherwise have been required.

Subject to the provisions of this agreement, unit operator shall have full control of the premises subjected hereto and shall conduct and manage the development and operation of unitized lands for the production of unitized substances therefrom for the account of the parties hereto.

3.4 <u>Designation of Representatives</u>: Each working interest owner shall in writing inform unit operator of the names and addresses of its representative and alternate who are authorized to represent such working interest owner with respect to unit operations. The representative or alternate may be changed from time to time by written notice to unit operator.

3.5 <u>Meetings</u>: All meetings of working interest owners shall be called by unit operator upon its own motion or at the request of two (2) or more working interest owners. No meeting shall be called on less than fourteen (14) days advance written notice, with agenda for the meeting attached. Working interest owners who attend the meeting shall not be prevented from amending items included in the agenda or from deciding the amended item or other items presented at the meeting. The representative of unit operator shall be chairman of each meeting.

3.6 <u>Voting Procedure</u>: Working interest owners shall decide all matters coming before them as follows:

3.6.1 <u>Voting Interest</u>: Each working interest owner shall have a voting interest equal to its percentage of participation as set out in Column6 of Exhibit "C" hereof.

3.6.2 <u>Vote Required</u>: Working interest owners shall act upon and determine all matters coming before them by an affirmative vote of 75% of the voting power of the working interest owners having leasehold interests committed to the unit agreement; provided, however, should any one working interest owner have 75% or more voting interest its vote must be supported by the vote of one or more working interestowners having a combined vote of at least 5%.

3.6.3 <u>Vote at Meeting by Nonattending Working Interest Owner</u>: Any working interest owner who is not represented at a meeting may vote either by written proxy or by letter or telegram addressed to the representative of the unit operator, provided such letter or telegram is received prior to the submission of such item to vote. If the vote is by letter or telegram such vote shall not be counted with respect to any item on the agenda which has been materially changed at the meeting.

3.6.4 <u>Poll Votes</u>: Working interest owners may vote on and decide, by letter or telegram, any matter submitted in writing to working interest owners, if no meeting is requested as provided in Section 3.5 within seven (7) days after the proposal is sent to working interest owners. Unit operator shall give prompt notice of the results of the voting to all working interest owners.

3.7 <u>Unit Operator - Liabilities</u>: Unit operator shall not be liable to any of the working interest owners for anything done or omitted to be done by it in the conduct of operations hereunder while acting in compliance with Section 3.2(a) hereof. The provisions of this section shall not relieve operator of its duty to obtain the consent of the working interest owners in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.6.

3.8 <u>Resignation or Change of Operator</u>: Operator may resign from its duties and obligations as Operator at any time upon written notice of not less than six (6) months given to all other parties.

In the event of either sale of its interest or resignation of Operator, all parties to this contract shall select, by majority vote in interest, a new Operator who shall assume the responsibilities and duties and have the rights prescribed for Operator by this agreement; provided that, should one party to this agreement then own more than a majority of the working interest within the Unit Area, a concurring vote of one additional party shall be necessary for selection of a new Operator. The retiring Operator shall deliver to its successor all records and information necessary to the discharge by the new Operator of its duties and obligations.

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The resignation or change of Operator under this agreement shall not terminate its right, title or interest as the owner of a working interest under this agreement, but upon the resignation or change of Operator becoming effective and the designation of a successor Operator, such Operator shall deliver possession of all equipment, material and appurtenances used in conducting the Unit operations and owned by the working interest owners to the newly designated successor Operator or to the owners thereof if no such new Querator is selected, to be used for the purposes of conducting Unit operations hereunder. Nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing removal of any material, equipment or appurtenances needed for the preservation of any wells.

ARTICLE IV

COST OF OPERATIONS

4.1 <u>Cost of Operations and Accounting Procedure</u>: Except as herein otherwise specifically provided, operator shall promptly pay and discharge all costs and expenses incurred in the development and operation of the unit area pursuant to the unit agreement and this agreement and shall charge, in accordance with the applicable percentages set forth in Exhibit "C", each of the parties hereto with its respective proportionate share upon the cost and expense basis provided in the Accounting Procedure attached hereto and marked Exhibit "D". If any provisions of Exhibit "D" should be inconsistent with any provision contained in the body of this agreement, the provisions of this agreement shall prevail.

4.2 Advances: Operator, at its election, shall have the right from time to time to demand and receive from the other parties which are participating in the unit operation then being carried on payment in advance of their respective shares of the estimated amount of the costs to be incurred in operations hereunder during the next succeeding month, which right may be exercised only by submission to each such party of an itemized statement of such estimated costs, together with an invoice for its share thereof. Each such statement and invoice for the payment in advance of estimated costs shall be submitted on or before the 20th day of the next preceding month. Each party shall pay to Operator its proportionate share of such estimate within fifteen (15) days after such estimate and invoice is received. If any party fails to pay its share of said estimate within said time, the amount due shall bear interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum until paid. Proper adjustment shall be made monthly between advances and actual cost, to the end that such party shall bear and pay its proportionate part of actual costs incurred, and no more.

4.3 <u>Taxes</u>: All of the jointly owned personal property within the unit area shall be rendered by the unit operator for ad valorem

taxes if necessary. The unit operator shall may all ad valorem taxes rendered or assessed against said properties, and all such amounts so paid by the unit operator shall be charged to the joint account of the parties hereto. All other taxes which may be levied upon or against the respective leasehold interests or measured by the production of unitized substances allocated to the respective tracts under the terms of the unit agreement and this agreement shall be paid by the respective working interest owners having interests in such tracts. In the event any party hereto owns less than the entire seven-eighths leasehold interest covered by this agreement, the obligation of such party hereunder shall be adjusted so as to reflect a credit for payments based upon values assigned to and made on the basis of outstanding excess royalties, overriding royalties and production payments.

4.4 Insurance:

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The unit operator shall carry insurance for the benefit of the joint account covering operations upon the unit area subject to the unit operating agreement as follows:

- (a) Workmen's compensation insurance: In compliance with the workmen's compensation laws of the State of New Mexico, including employer's liability.
- (b) Comprehensive general liability insurance, excluding products: A single combined limit of \$500,000 each accident for bodily injuries or death and property damage.
- (c) Automobile public liability and property damage insurance with a single combined limit of \$500,000.00 each accident for bodily injuries or death and property damage.

If under the laws of the jurisdiction in which operations are conducted Operator is authorized to be a self-insurer. Operator may elect to be a self-insurer under such laws and in such event Operator shall charge to the joint account, in lieu of any premiums for such insurance, a premium equivalent limited to amounts determined by applying manual insurance rates to the payroll. The Operator shall not be required to carry any other insurance for the joint account. Operator shall require all third party contractors performing work in or on the premises covered hereby to carry such insurance and in such amounts as Operator shall deem necessary.

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4.6 Unit Operator's Lien: Unit Operator is given a first and preferred lieu on the interest of each party covered by this agreement, and in each party's interest in oil and gas produced and the proceeds thereof, and upon each party's interest in material and equipment, to secure the payment of all sums due from each such party to unit operator.

In the event any party fails to pay any amount owing by it to unit operator as its share of such costs and expenses or such advance estimate within the time limited for payment thereof, unit operator, without prejudice to other existing remedies, is authorized at its election (unless there is a bona fide dispute) to collect from the purchaser or purchasers of oil or gas, the proceeds accruing to the working interest or interests in the unit area of the delinquent party up to the amount owing by such party, and each purchaser of oil or gas is authorized to rely upon unit operator's statement as to the amount owing by such party.

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4.6 Lien of Non-Operators: Each Non-Operator shall have a lien on the working interest of Operator in the Unit Area and on the oil and gas produced therefrom and on the proceeds thereof to secure the payment of any amount that may at any time become due and payable by Operator to such Non-Operator under the terms of this agreement, together with interest thereon as herein provided.

ARTICLE V

WELLS

5.1 <u>Initial Test Well</u>: Within six (6) months after the effective date of the unit agreement, unit operator shall commence operations upon the initial test well which is required to be drilled pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the unit agreement, unless such test well is commenced prior to the effective date of the unit agreement. Said test well shall be located in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section28, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico and shall be drilled in compliance with Section 9 of the unit agreement and applicable regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission;

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(said well shall be drilled to a depth sufficient to test to the base of the Pennsylvanian Age, but in no event below a depth of 12,500 feet.) The drilling of said test well may be discontinued at . Tesser depth if granite or other practically impenetrable substance should be encountered, or if all of the parties hereto agree to complete the well at a lesser depth; provided that, in the event difficulty should be encountered in drilling which results in the loss of the hole, making it necessary that the hole be abandoned, a substitute well may be commenced within thirty (30) days after such abandonment, and such substitute well shall be considered the same as the initial test well, and all provisions hereof applicable to the initial test well shall be applicable to the substitute well. Notwithstanding any other provision herein contained relating to the substitute well, it is agreed that when the above conditions are encountered that would make it necessary for the initial test well to be abandoned, Operator shall give written notice to all parties (participating in the initial well) regarding details of the proposed substitute well and such parties shall have a 48 hour period, exclusive of Saturday, Sundays and holidays, in which to elect to join in the drilling of said substitute well, and any such party electing not to participate shall be considered for all purposes, as to said substitute well, as a "nonconsenting party" under Article 5.5 hereof.

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Unit operator shall make reasonable tests of all formations encountered during drilling which give indication of containing oil or gas in sufficient quantities to warrant testing.

All costs incurred in drilling, completing and placing said well on production, if completed as a producer, and of plugging and abandoning the same, if completed as a dry hole, shall be borne only by the parties hereto as shown in Column 5 of Exhibit "C" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

In the event of the discovery of unitized substances in paying quantities, the initial test well shall be completed and placed on production as such wells are usually and customarily completed in accordance with good oil field practices and all casing, tubing, wellhead connections, flow lines, tanks and other equipment which may be installed in or used in connection with said well shall be owned by the parties participating in the cost of drilling said well in the proportions shown in Column 5 of said Exhibit "C" until said well shall have paid out as herein provided.

For the purpose of this agreement the initial test well, or the substitute well therefor, shall be considered as being paid out

as of 7:00 A. M. on the first day following the day in which the parties hereto have recovered out of production after deducting all royalty, overriding royalty, or any other payments out of production, severance, ad valorem and production taxes apportionalle thereto, that portion of the actual cost of drilling, completing, testing and equipping said well (including necessary wellhead connections, flow lines, tanks, pumping and other equipment in connection with said well), together with all costs of operating said well during the payout period. Unit operator shall furnish to all of the parties hereto, as soon as possible, and in any event within sixty (60) days from the date of the completion of said well, an itemized statement of the cost of drilling, testing, completing and placing the well on production, and the unit operator shall also furnish to the parties hereto monthly reports showing the unitized substances produced, saved and marketed from said well and the operating costs incurred in connection therewith. All costs incurred in connection with said well shall be in accordance with the Accounting Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

From and after the time of payout of the initial test well as herein provided, the overriding royalties herein provided for to be paid to Rodman and Huber shall terminate, and Rodman and Huber shall thereafter be entitled to receive their proportionate part of the production of unitized substances from said well on the basis of their respective interest as shown in Column 6 of Exhibit "C" and the parties hereto shall own their proportionate parts of all equipment installed in or used in connection with production from said well the same as if said parties had participted in the cost of drilling and completing the initial test well according to the percentage set forth in Column 6 of said Exhibit "C".

Costs for the drilling of the initial or substitute test well shall be billed on the ownership as set forth in Column 5 of Exhibit "C".

5.2 Modification of Drilling Requirements of Unit Agreement: The unit operator may apply for and obtain an extension or extensions of time within which to comply with the drilling requirements as provided for in said unit agreement, and any such application or applications may be made without the consent of any of the working interest owners subscribing hereto as parties hereto; however, operator shall advise all working interest owners of any such application at least ten (10) days prior to filing same. 5.3 <u>Drilling Contracts</u>: All wells drilled on the unit area shall be drilled on a competitive contract basis at the usual rates prevailing in the area. Unit operator, if it so desires, may employ its own tools and equipment in the drilling of wells, but its charges therefor shall not exceed the prevailing rates in the field, and the rate of such charges shall be agreed upon by the participating parties in writing before drilling operations are commenced, and such work shall be performed by unit operator under the same terms and conditions as shall be customary and usual in the field in contracts of independent contractors who are doing work of a similar nature.

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5.4 <u>Development and Operation Subsequent to Discovery of</u> <u>Substances in Paying Quantities</u>: After the discovery of unitized substances in paying quantities on the unit area, unit operator shall only drill such wells as may be provided for in any plan of development and operation for the unit area or amendment of supplement thereto filed and approved as provided by Section 9 of the unit agreement after approval by the parties hereto as provided by Section 3.3 hereof, and all such wells shall be drilled for the joint account of the parties hereto and the production of unitized substances therefrom shall be allocated to said parties as provided on Column 6 or Column 7 of Exhibit C, depending upon the ownership interval to which the well is projected. Provided however, the drilling, deepening, completing, plugging back or reworking of any such well shall be subject to the nonconsent provisions of Section 5.5 hereof.

5.5 Operations by Less Than All Parties: If all of the parties cannot mutually agree upon the drilling of any well on the unit area (other than the initial test well provided for in Section 5.1), or upon the reworking, deepening, or plugging back of a dry hole drilled

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at the joint expense of all parties or a well jointly owned by all the parties and not then producing in paying quantities on the unit area, any party or parties wishing to drill, rework, deepen, or plug back such a well may give the other parties written notice of the proposed operation, specifying the work to be performed, the location, proposed depth, objective formation and the estimated cost of the operation. The parties receiving such a notice shall have thirty (30) days (except where a drilling rig is on location the period shall be limited to fortyeight (48) hours exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, holidays) after receipt of the notice within which to notify the parties wishing to do the work whether they elect to participate in the cost of the proposed operation. Failure of a party receiving such a notice to reply to it within the period above fixed shall constitute an election by that party not to participate in the cost of the proposed operation.

If any party receiving such a notice elects not to participate in the proposed operation (such party or parties being hereafter referred to as "non-consenting par'y"), then in order to be entitled to the benefits of this section, the party or parties giving the notice and such other parties as shall elect to participate in the operation (all such parties being hereafter referred to as the "consenting parties") shall, within thirty (30) days after the expiration of the notice period of thirty (30) days (or as promptly as possible after the expiration of the 48-hour period where the drilling rig is on location, as the case may be), actually commence work on the proposed operation and complete it with due diligence.

The entire cost and risk of conducting such operations shall be borne by the consenting parties in the proportions that their respective interests bear to the aggregate interests of the consenting parties. Consenting parties shall keep the leasehold involved in such operations free and clear of all liens and encumbrances of every kind created by or arising from the operations of the consenting parties. If such an operation results in a dry hole, the consenting parties shall plug and abandon the well at their sole cost, risk and expense. If any well drilled, reworked, deepened or plugged back under the provisions of this section results in a producer of oil or gas in paying quantities, the consenting parties shall complete and equip the well to produce at their sole cost and risk, and the well shall then be turned over to unit operator and shall be operated at the expense and for the account of the consenting parties. Upon commencement of operations for the drilling, reworking, deepening or plugging back of any suck well by consenting parties in accordance with the provisions of this section, each non-consenting party shall be deemed to have relinguished to consenting parties, and consenting parties shall own and be entitled to receive, in proportion to their respective interests, all of such non-consenting party's interest in the well, its leasehold operating rights, and share of production therefrom until the proceeds or market value thercof (after deducting production taxes, royalty, overriding royalty and other interests payable out of or measured by the production: from such well accruing with respect to such interest until it reverts) shall equal the total of the following:

(a) 100% of each such non-consenting party's share of the cost of any newly acquired surface equipment beyond the wellhead connections (including, but not limited to, stock tanks, separators, treaters, pumping equipment and piping), plus 100% of each such non-consenting party's share of the cost of operation of the well commencing with first production and continuing until each such non-consenting party's relinquished interest shall revert to it under other provisions of this section, it being agreed that each non-consenting party's share of such costs and equipment will be that interest which would have been chargeable to each non-consenting party had it participated in the well from the beginning of the operation; and

(b) 300% of that portion of the costs and expenses of drilling, reworking, deepening or plugging back, testing and completing, after deducting any cash contributions received under Section 9.2, and 300% of that portion of the cost of newly acquired equipment in the well (to and including the wellhead connections), which would have been chargeable to such non-consenting party if it had participated therein.

In the case of any reworking, plugging oack or deeper drilling operation, the consenting parties shall be permitted to use.free of cost,

all casing, tubing and other equipment in the well, but the ownership of all such equipment shall remain unchanged, and upon abandonment of a well after such reworking, plugging back or deeper drilling, the consenting parties shall account for all such equipment to the owners thereof, with each party receiving its proportionate part in kind or in value.

Within sixty (60) days after the completion of any operation under this section, the party conducting the operations for the consenting parties shall furnish each non-consenting party with an inventory of the equipment in and connected to the well, and an itemized statement of the cost of drilling, deepening, plugging back, testing, completing and equipping the well for production; or, at its option, the operating party, in lieu of an itemized statement of such costs of operation, may submit a detailed statement of monthly billings. Each month thereafter, during the time the consenting parties are being reimbursed as above provided, the consenting parties shall furnish the non-consenting parties with an itera i statement of all costs and liabilities incurred in the operation of the well, together with a statement of the quantity of oil and gas produced from it and the amount of proceeds realized from the sale of the well's working interest production during the preceding month. Any amount realized from the sale or other disposition of equipment newly acquired in connection with any such operation which would have been owned by a nonconsenting party had it participated therein shall be credited against the total unreturned costs of the work done and of the equipment purchased, in determining when the interest of such non-consenting party shall revert to it as above provided. If there is a credit balance it shall be paid to such non-consenting party.

If and when the consenting parties recover from a non-consenting party's relinquished interest the amounts provided for above, the relinquished interests of such non-consenting party shall automatically revert to it and from and after such reversion such non-consenting party shall own the same interest in such well, the operating rights and working interest therein, the material and equipment in or pertaining therto, and the production therefrom as such non-consenting party would have owned had it participated in the drilling, reworking, deepening or plugging back of said well. Thereafter, said non-consenting party shall be charged with and shall pay its proportionate part of the further costs of the operation of said well in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the Accounting Procedure, Exhibit "D", attached hereto.

No well drilled by less than all parties pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5.5 shall be completed as a gas well in the same formation as any other gas well then producing, or capable of producing, gas in paying quantities from the unit area unless the same be located on a regular well spacing or proration unit established for the area by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission so that the well density in the same formation will not be greater than that established or prescribed by the Commission for said area. No well drilled Gr completed by less than all of the parties pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5.5 shall be completed as an oil well in the same formation as any other oil well then producing from the unit area if, as a reusult of the completion of said well, there would exist on the unit area a well density in the same formation of more than one producing oil well to a proration unit.

If any party hereto shall hereafter create any overriding royalty, production payment or other burden against its working interest production, and if any other party or parties should conduct non-consent operations pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5.5 and as a result become entitled to receive the working interest production otherwise belonging to the non-participating party, the party or parties entitled to receive the working interest production of the non-participating party shall receive such production free and clear of burdens against such production which may have been created subsequent to this agreement and the non-participating party creating such burdens shall save the participating party or parties harmless with respect to the receipt of such working interest production.

Consent to the drilling of a well shall > be deemed as consent to the setting of casing and a completion attempt. After any well drilled pursuant to this agreement has reached its authorized depth, Operator shall give immediate notice to Non-Operators. The parties receiving such notice

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shall have forty-eight (48) hours (exclusive of Saturday or Sunday or holiday) in which to elect whether or not they desire to set casing and to participate in a completion attempt. Failure of a party receiving such notice so to reply within the period above fixed shall constitute an election by that party not to participate in the cost of a completion attempt. If all of the parties elect to plug and abandon the well, Operator shall plug and abandon same at the expense of all of the parties. If one or more, but less than all, of the parties elect to set pipe and to attempt a completion, the provisions of this Article 5.5 shall apply to the operations thereafter conducted by less than all parties. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be available to any party who shall have elected to be a non-consenting party in drilling the well.

If any party elects to become a non-consenting party hereunder then no consenting party shall be required to carry its proportionate share of the non-consenting party's interest unless it has agreed to do so.

5.6 Abandonment of Producing Wells: No well, other than any well which has been drilled or reworked pursuant to Section 5.5 hereof for which the consenting parties have not been fully reimbursed as therein provided, which has been completed as a producer shall be plugged and abandoned without the consent of all parties; provided, however, if all parties do not agree to the abandonment of any well, those wishing to continue its operation shall tender to each of the other parties its proportionate share of the value of the well's salvageable material and equipment, determined in accordance with the provisions of Exhibit "D", less the estimated cost of salvaging and the estimated cost of plugging and abandoning. Each abandoning party shall then assign to the non-abandoning parties, without warranty, express or implied, as to title or as to quantity, quality or fitness for use of the equipment and material, all of its interest in the well and its equipment, together with its interest in the leasehold estate as to, but only as to, the interval or intervals of the formation or formations then open to production. The assignments so limited shall encompass the "drilling unit" upon which the well is located. The payments by, and assignments to, the assignees shall be in a ratio based upon the relationship of their respective percentages of participation in the unit area to the aggregate of the percentages of participation in the unit area of all assignees. There shall be no readjustment of interests in the remaining portion of the unit area.

After the dasargument, the actignors shall have no further responsibility, liability or interest in the operation of or production from the well in the interval or intervals then open. Upon request of the assignees, unit operator shall continue to operate the assigned well for the account of the non-abandoning parties at the rates and charges contemplated by this agreement, plus any additional costs and charges which may arise as the result of the separate ownership of the assigned well.

ARTICLE VI

RENTALS AND SHUT-IN WELL PAYMENTS

6.1 Rentals: Each party holding the record title to an oil and gas lease subject to this agreement shall, before the due date, pay all rentals which may become due under the lease or leases contributed by it, and each party paying such rentals or royalties shall within ten (10) days after the payment thereof, but at least ten (10) days prior to the due date, notify unit operator of such payment. Unit operator shall furnish similar information as to its leases to the other parties hereto upon request. The financial burden of paying rentals shall fall entirely. upon the party holding the record title and required to make the particular payment. Rental payments shall not be charged to the joint account, but any other party hereto, other than the record title holder, having an interest therein, shall reimburse the party paying such rentals for such party's proportionate part thereof. In the event of failure to make proper payment of any rental through mistake or oversight, where such payment is required to continue a lease in force (it being understood that any such failure shall not be regarded as a title failure within the meaning of any other provision of this agreement), there shall be no monetary liability on the part of the party charged with the responsibility of making such payment, but such party shall make a bona fide effort to secure (at its sole cost and expense) a new lease covering the same interest and in the event of failure to secure a new lease within a reasonable time the interests of the parties shall be revised so that the party or parties charged with the responsibility of bearing the particular payment will not be credited with the ownership of their lease which was lost because of failure properly to make a required rental payment.

6." Muttin Well Payments: If any well is completed on the unit area pursuant to the unit agreement as a gas well and is shut-in due to the lack of a market or for dny other reason, unit operator shall notify all of the parties hereto and thereof and shall make a bona fide effort to pay any shut-in royalties which may become due and payable on account of such well and charge the same to the joint account of the parties hereto in proportion to their respective rights to participate in the production from such well pursuant to the provisions of this agreement; provided that, unit operator shall suffer no liability for inadvertent failures to pay shut-in gas well royalties hereunder.

ARTICLE VII

RIGHT TO TAKE PRODUCTION IN KIND

7.1 Each party shall take in kind or separately dispose of its proportionate share, as set out in Column 2 of Exhibit "C", of all oil and gas produced from the unit area, exclusive of production which may be used in development and producing operations and in preparing and treating oil for marketing purposes and production unavoidably lost. Each party shall pay or deliver, or cause to be paid or delivered all royalties, overriding royalties or other payments due on its share of such production and shall hold the other parties free from any liability therefor. Any extra expenditure incurred in taking in kind or separate disposition by any party of its proportionate share of the production shall be borne by such party.

Each party shall execute all division orders and contracts of sale pertaining to its interest in production from the unit area, and shall be entitled to receive payment direct from the purchaser or purchasers thereof for its share of all production.

In the event any party shall fail to make the arrangements necessary to take in kind or separately dispose of its proportionate share of the oil and gas produced from the unit area, unit operator shall have the right, subject to revocation at will by the party owning it, but not the obligation, to purchase such oil and gas or sell it to others for the time being, at not less than the market price prevailing in the area, which shall in no event be less than the price which unit
operator receives for its portion of the oil and gas produced from the unit area. Any such purchase or sale by unit operator shall be subject always to the right of the owner of the production to exercise at any time its right to take in kind, or separately dispose of, its share of all cil and gas not previously delivered to a purchaser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unit operator shall not make a sale into interstate commerce of any other party's share of gas production without first giving such other party sixty (60) days notice of such intended sale, and without first securing the prior written authorization of such sale by such other party. Any such purchases or sale by Operator shall be for such reasonable periods of time only as is consistent with the minimum needs of the industry and shall in no event exceed one year.

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ARTICLE VIII

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

8.1 <u>Maintenance of Unit Ownership</u>: For the purpose of maintaining uniformity of ownership in the oil and gas leasehold interests covered by this agreement, and notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary, no party shall sell, encumber, transfer or make other disposition of its interest in the leases embraced within the unit area and in wells, equipment and production unless such disposition covers either:

(a) the entire interest of the party in all leases and equipment and production; or

(5) an equal undivided interest in all leases and equipment and production in the unit area.

Every sale, encumbrance, transfer or other disposition made by any party shall be made expressly subject to this agreement, and shall be made without prejudice to the rights of the other parties.

If at any time the interest of any party as set forth in Column 6 or Column 7 of Exhibit "C" is divided among and owned by four or more co-owners, unit operator may, at its discretion, require such co-owners to appoint a single trustee or agent with full authority to receive notices, approve expenditures, receive billings for and approve and pay such party's share of the joint expenses, and to deal generally with and with power to bind the co-owners of such party's interest within the scope of the operations embraced in this agreement; however, all such co-owners enter into and execute all contracts or agreements for the disposition of their respective shares of the oil and gas produced from the unit area and they shall have the right to receive, separately, payment of the sale proceeds thereof.

Should a sale be made by unit operator of its rights and interests, the other parties shall have the right within sixty (60) days after the date of such sale, by majority vote in interest, to select a new unit operator. If a new unit operator is not so selected, the transferee of the present unit operator shall assume the duties of and

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act as unit operator. In either case, the retiring unit operator shall continue to serve as unit operator, and discharge its duties in that capacity under this agreement until its successor unit operator is selected and begins to function, but the present unit operator shall not be obligated to continue the performance of its duties for more than 120 days after the sale of its rights and interests has been completed.

8.2 Termination of Interest and Withdrawal of Party: Should any party at any time desire to surrender any lease committed to the unit agreement and the other parties should not agree thereto the party desiring to surrender shall assign, without express or implied warranty of title. subject to the approval of the Bureau of Land Management as to federal lands and the Commissioner of Public Lands as to state lands, all of such party's interest in such lease to the other parties hereto in proportion to the interests then severally held by them on an acreage basis in the unit area. If all of the parties are not willing to accept the assignment of such interest, the assignment shall be made to those willing to accept such interest in the proportions that their respective interests bear to the aggregate of their interests in the unit area on an acreage basis. Such assignment shall be free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except all lease burdens existing as of the effective date of the unit agreement and upon delivery thereof the assigning party shall be relieved of all further obligations with respect to the lease or leases so assigned.

Likewise, if any party hereto so desires it may withdraw from this agreement by assigning, without warranty either express or implied, all of such party's interest committed to the unit agreement to the other parties hereto or if all of said parties are not willing to accept the assignment, to those who are willing to accept such assignment upon the same terms and conditions as hereinabove set forth.

All assignments made pursuant to the provisions of this Section 8.2 shall include all of the assignor's interest in all wells, casing, material, equipment, fixtures and other personal property belonging to the joint account. Such assignment shall not relieve assignor from any obligation or liability accruing or incurred prior to the date thereof;

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provided, however, the assignees shall pay the assignor for its interest in such casing, material, equipment, fixtures and other personal property owned by the joint account on the basis of the salvage value thereof determined in accordance with the Accounting Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

8.3 <u>Subsequent Joinder</u>: Prior to commencement of operations under the unit agreement, all owners of working interests in the unit area who have joined in the unit agreement shall be privileged to join in this agreement by subscribing to the unit agreement and this agreement. After commencement of operations under the unit agreement, however, subsequent joinder in the unit agreement and this agreement by any party owning a working interest in the unit area shall be on such reasonable terms and conditions as the parties who are then committed to the unit agreement and this agreement may require in view of the circumstances existing at the time such subsequent joinder is sought.

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

9.1 <u>Overriding Royelties and Other Lease Burdens:</u> All overriding royalties, production payments or other lease burdens payable out of the working interest production from the respective leasehold interests committed to the unit Agreement shall be paid by the owner or owners of such lease or leases out of the unitized substances allocated to the respective tracts committed to the unit agreement and the percentages of participation of the parties hereto shown in Columns 5, 6, and 7 of Exhibit "C" attached hereto shall be subject to the payment of all such overriding royalties, production payments and other lease burdens. XIX Expression was an and the rease burdens. XIX Expression was an and the rease burdens. XIX Expression was an and other lease burdens. XIX Expression was an and the rease burdens. XIX Expression was an and the rease burdens. XIX Expression was an and other lease burdens. XIX Expression was an an and the rease burdens. XIX Expression was an and a star star and a star

9.2 <u>Contributions Toward Drilling</u>: Any contribution, either in money or property interest, toward the drilling of any well drilled on the unit area pursuant to the provisions of this agreement shall be shared by the parties hereto in proportion to their participating interests in such well; provided, however, participation in acreage contributions shall be optional with the respective parties.

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9.3 Provisions Conformed with Laws and Regulations: All of the provisions of this agreement are hereby expressly made subject to all valid, enforceable and applicable federal or state laws, orders, rules and regulations, and in the event this contract or any provisions hereof are found to be inconsistent with or contrary to any such law, order, rule or regulations, the latter shall be deemed to control, and this contract shall be regarded as modified accordingly and as so modified shall continue in full force and effect.

9.4 <u>Notices</u>: All notices authorized or required by any of the provisions of this agreement shall, unless otherwise specifically provided, be given in writing by United States mail or Western Union telegram, postage or charges prepaid, and addressed to the party to whom the notice is given at the addresses shown opposite the signatures of the respective parties hereto. The originating notice to be given under any provision hereof shall be deemed given only when received by the party to whom such notice is directed and the time for such party to give any notice in response thereto shall run from the date the originating notice is received. The second or any responsive notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States mail or with the Western Union Telegraph Company, with postage or charges prepaid. Each party shall have the right to change its address at any time, and from time to time, by giving written notice thereof to all other parties.

9.5 <u>Liability of Parties</u>: The liability of the parties shall be several, not joint **or** collective. Each party shall be responsible only for its obligations, and shall be liable only for its proportionate share of the costs of developing and operating the unit area. Accordingly, the lien granted by each party to unit operator in Section 4.5 is given to secure only the debts of each severally. It is not the intention of the parties to create, nor shall this agreement be construed as creating, a mining or other partnership or association, or to render them liable as partners.

9.6 Income Tax Election, Subchapter K, of Chapter 1, Subtitle A, Internal Revenue Code: Notwithstanding any provisions herein that the rights and liabilities of the partles hereto are several and not joint

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or collective, or that this agreement and the operations hereunder shall not constitute a partnership, if for tederal income tax purposes this agreement and the operations hereunder are regarded as a partnership, then each of the parties hereto hereby elects that it be excluded from the application of all of the provisions of Subchapter K, Chapter 1, Subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as permitted and authorized by Section 761 of said Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Operator is hereby authorized and directed to execute such evidence of this election as may be required by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States or the Federal Internal Revenue Service, including specifically, but not by way of limitation, all of the returns, statements and data required by the Code and applicable regulations. Should there be any requirement that each party hereto further evidence this election, each party hereto agrees to execute such documents and furnish such other evidence as may be required by the Federal Internal Revenue Service or as may be necessary to evidence this election. Each party hereto further agrees not to give any notices or take any other action inconsistent with the election made hereby. If any present or future income tax laws of the State of New Mexico, or any future income tax law of the United States, contain, or shall hereafter contain, provisions similar to those contained in Subchapter K, Chapter 1, Subtitle A, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, under which an election similar to that provided in Section 761 of said Subchapter K is permitted, each of the parties hereto hereby makes such election or agrees to make such election as may be permitted by such laws. In making this election, each of the parties hereto hereby states that the income derived by it from the operations under this agreement can be adequately determined without the computation of partnership taxable income.

9.7 <u>Force Majeure</u>: If any party is rendered unable, wholly or in part, by force majeure to carry out its obligations under this agreement, other than the obligation to make money payments, that party shall give to all other parties prompt written notice of the force majeure with reasonable full particulars concerning it; thereupon, the obligations of the party giving the notice, so far as they are affected by the force majeure, shall be suspended during, but no longer than, the continuance of the force majeure. The affected party shall use all possible diligence to remove the force majeure as quickly as possible.

The requirement that any force majeure shall be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not require the settlement of strikes, lockouts, or other labor difficulties by the party involved, contrary to its wishes; how all such difficulties shall be handled shall be entirely within the discretion of the party concerned.

The term "force majeure" as here employed shall mean an act of God, strike, lockout or other industrial disturbance, act of public enemy, war, blockadge, public riot, lightning, fire, storm, flood, explosion, governmental restraint, unavailability of equipment, and any other cause, whether of the kind specifically enu erated above or otherwise, which is not reasonably within the control of the party claiming suspension.

9.8 Effective Date and Term: This agreement shall become effective as of the effective date of the unit agreement and shall remain in full force and effect during the term of said unit agreement and any and all extensions or renewals thereof, and in the event of the termination of the unit agreement for any reason, this agreement shall continue in full force and effect as to all wells which have not been plugged and abandoned as of the time of the termination of the unit agreement, and the rights and interests of the parties hereto in such wells and their participation in the production therefrom and in the cost of the operation thereof shall be governed by the provisions hereof and this agreement with respect thereto shall remain in full force and effect so long as any such well is capable of producing oil or gas in paying quantities and thereafter until al! accounts hereunder are closed.

9.9 <u>Gas Storage Agreement</u>: Attached hereto as Exhibit "E" end made a part hereof is a Gas Storage Agreement which, subject to the terms hereof, shall be applicable to the gas produced from the Unit Area hereunder.

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9.9 <u>Counterparts</u>: 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, this agreement is executed by the undersigned parties hereto as of the day, month and year first hereinabove written.



APPROVED	

Attorney-in-Fact Address: P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

UNIT OPERATOR AND WORKING INTEREST OWNER

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EXHIBIT "E"

(Consisting of 2 Pages)

GAS STORAGE AGREEMENT Attached to and made a part of the Puvo Mesa Unit Operating Agreement, dated Merch 1, 1974, Eddy County, New Mexico

The parties to the Operating Agreement to which this gas storage agreement is attached own the working interest in the gas rights underlying the Unit Area covered by such agreement in accordance with the percentages of participation as set forth in Exhibit "C" to the Operating Agreement.

In accordance with the terms of the Opera ing Agreement, each party thereto has the right to take its share of gas produced from the Unit Area and market the same. In the event any of the parties hereto is not able to market its share of gas or has contracted to sell its share of gas produced from the Unit Area to a purchaser which is unable at any time while this agreement is in effect to take the share of gas attributable to the interest of such party, the terms of this storage agreement shall automatically become effective.

During the period or periods when any party hereto has no market for its share of gas produced from the Unit Area, or its purchaser is unable to take its share of gas produced from the Unit Area, the other parties shall be entitled to produce each month one hundred percent of the allowable gas production assigned to such Unit by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and shall be entitled to take and deliver to its or their purchaser all of such gas production. All parties hereto shall share in and own the liquid hydrocarbons recovered from such gas by lease equipment in accordance with their respective interests and subject to the Operating Agreement to which this gas storage agreement is attached, but the party or parties taking such gas shall own all of the gas delivered to its or their purchaser. Each party unable to market its share of the gas produced shall be credited with gas in storage equal to its share of the gas produced under this agreement, less its share of gas used in lease operations, vented or lost. The Operator will maintain a current account of the gas balance between the parties and will furnish all parties hereto monthly statements showing the total quantity of gas produced, the amount used in lease operations, vented or lost, and the total quantity of liquid hydrocarbons recovered therefrom.

At all times while gas is produced from the Unit Area, each party producing and/or delivering gas to its purchaser shall pay any and all production taxes due on such gas and the lessor's royalty in accordance with the Unit Agreement described in Article I of the Operating Agreement to which this Exhibit "E" is attached and each such party producing and/or delivering gas shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the Unit Operator a monthly statement of its gas sales. Each party hereto agrees to hold each other party harmless from any and all claims for royalty payments asserted by royalty owners to whom each party is accountable.

After notice to the Operator, any party at any time they begin taking or delivering to its purchaser its chare of the gas produced from the Unit Area. In addition to its share, each party, including the Operator, until it has recovered its gas in storage and balanced the gas account as to its interest, shall be entitled to take or deliver to a purchaser a volume of gas equal to twenty five percent of its share of gas produced.

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GAS STORAGE AGREEMENT Attached to and made a part of the Paro Newa Unit Operating Agreement, dated March 1, 1974, Eddy County, New Mexico

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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. 5902

Order No. R- 5424

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APPLICATION OF AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF THE APPLE DRAW UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on <u>April 20</u>, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets

NOW, on this _____ day of <u>April</u>, 19<u>77</u>, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

That the applicant's request for dismissal should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That Case No. 5902 is hereby dismissed.

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

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