Matador Production Company Case No. 15363

Airstrip 31 18S 35E State Com #201H Well

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR A NONSTANDARD OIL SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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EXHIBIT	
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Phone: (575)	Energy, Minera
one: (575) 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720	D
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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410 Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170 <u>District IV</u> 1220 S. K. Francis Dr., Sante Fe, NM 87505 Phone: (505) 476-3460 Fax: (505) 476-3462 State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Sante Fe, NM 87505 FORM C-102 Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

'API Number'Pool Code'Pool Name970Airstrip; Wolfcam					lfcamp				
⁴ Property (Code	⁵ Property Name AIRSTRIP 31 18S 35E RN STATE COM					"wo #	ell Number 201H	
⁷ OGRID 1 228937	No.	^{SOperator Name} MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY					°1 3	⁹ Elevation 3945'	
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UL or lot no. M	Section 31	Township 18-S	Range 35–E	Lot Idn —	Feet from the 150'	North/South line SOUTH	Feet from the 660'	East/West line WEST	County LEA
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
D	31	18-S	35-E	-	330'	NORTH	710'	WEST	LEA
"Dedicated Acres	-Joint or	Infill "Co	nsolidation Code	"Order 1	No.				

No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.



Summary of Interests

MRC Delaware Resources, LLC Working Interest		93.273941%
Voluntary Joinder		3.909677%
Compulsory Pool Interest Total:		2.816382%
Interest Owner:	Description:	Interest:
Jalapeno Corporation	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2.766362%
Louis Kadane and Michael L. Gustafson, Trustees of the 4-K Trust, at the request of Edward G. Kadane, II, Former Interest of George Kadane	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	0.025010%
Louis Kadane and Michael L. Gustafson, Trustees of the 4-K Trust, at the request of Matthew B. Kadane, Former Interest of George Kadane	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	0.025010%



Matador Exhibit 2

Airstrip 31 18S 35E RN State Com #201H





ALL BEARINGS, DISTANCES, AND COORDINATE VALUES CONTAINED HEREON ARE GRID BASED UPON THE NEW MEXICO STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, EAST ZONE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 1927, U.S. SURVEY FEET.

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MRC Delaware Resources, LLC

500 North Main Street, Suite One, Roswell, New Mexico 88201 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1936, Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1936 Voice 575-623-6601 • Fax 575-627-2427 Sender's e-mail: mrandle@matadorresources.com

Melissa Randle Land Manager

March 24, 2015

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL 7012 2920 0002 3253 7452

Billie Kirby #9 Woodland Creek Circle Wichita Falls, TX 76302

Re: Well Proposal Matador: Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E #201H (formerly Airstrip 31 State #2H) Section 31-18S-35E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Billie Kirby:

Reference is made to that certain well proposal letter dated September 14, 2014, sent by Harvey E. Yates Company ("HEYCO") proposing to drill the Airstrip 31 State #2H well referenced above to test the Third Bone Springs formation at a horizontal location in the W/2 W/2 of the subject section. On Friday, February 27, 2015, HEYCO closed on and merged its assets in New Mexico with Matador Resources Company and MRC Delaware Resources, LLC ("MRC Delaware") is the new successor entity with Matador Production Company being the operating company entity for MRC Delaware.

MRC Delaware desires to drill the subject well above to a depth that is approximately 200' deeper than originally proposed in order to test the Wolfcamp formation at a surface location approximately 150' FSL and 330' FWL of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, and a bottom hole location of approximately 330' FNL and 710' FWL of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. We intend to drill horizontally (~10,840' TVD) to a Total Measured Depth of approximately 15,500' resulting in a lateral wellbore of approximately 4,400' that is planned to be completed with 15 frac stages. Estimated costs to drill the test well are \$5,376,594 for a dry hole with a completed well costing approximately \$9,099,800 as shown on the enclosed AFE.

Please indicate your election for this proposed operation by executing this letter below, as well as the enclosed AFE, if participating, and return both to the attention of the undersigned. Please be aware that the enclosed AFE is only an estimate of costs to be incurred and in electing to participate in the proposed well, you will be responsible for your proportionate share of all actual costs incurred. If your election is to participate, please accept this letter as an invoice notice and request for payment and to please remit payment for your proportionate share of costs pursuant to Article VII.C of the above referenced operating agreement as detailed in the enclosed AFE to Matador Production

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Company on or before fifteen (15) days after receipt of this estimate and invoice is received.

I have enclosed a revised Operating Agreement to the previous agreement sent under the September 14, 2014 proposal letter for your review and execution. We have corrected the operator name, well depth, contract depth, Exhibit "A", header names, etc. to reflect the proposed well herein. Please return one (1) executed copy of the signature page to the Operating Agreement along with your election letter and AFE.

As an alternative to participation, MRC Delaware hereby proposes the following options covering your 5.0005% Working Interest in this proposed unit:

- Assign all your interest to MRC Delaware for \$1800.00 per net acre for delivering of your existing Net Revenue Interest, less and except your interest in any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit.
- 2) Assign all of your interest to MRC Delaware delivering a 75.0% Net Revenue Interest, reserving an Overriding Royalty Interest equal to the positive difference between existing burdens and 25.0%, proportionately reduced. Any assignment would cover all rights less and except any rights in and to any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit.

As an alternative to the above options, MRC Delaware would be interested in purchasing your interest in this unit/section including any producing well bores, subject to the negotiation of mutually agreeable price and terms. If you are interested in pursuing this alternative, please so indicate at the space provided below and/or contact the undersigned. We will immediately forward this information to our Acquisitions and Divestitures Department for follow-up. However, you are advised that entering into negotiations to sell your interest does not excuse or allow you to delay your required election under this well proposal.

Your earliest attention and response to this proposal will be greatly appreciated. With this recent merger, there is an opportunity to move this well onto our rig schedule and spud this proposed well around April 25, 2015, provided we can gather the elections and signatures needed ahead of spudding the well. Should you have any questions regarding this proposal, please contact me at any time using the contact information above.

Sincerely,

MRC DELAWARE RESOURCES, LLC

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Melissa Randle Land Manager

Enclosures

MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY

ONE LINCOLN CENTRE + 5400 LBJ FREEWAY + SUITE 1500 + DALLAS, TEXAS 75240

Phone (972) 371-5200 + Fax (972) 371-5201

	ESTIMATE	OF COSTS AND AUT	HORIZATION FOR EXPEND	ITURE	
DATE:	March 18, 2015			AFE NO .:	0
WELL NAME:	Airstrip State Com 31-18	S-35E #201H		FIELD:	0
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20 Logging / Formation E	Evaluation		6,000		6.000
21 Mud Logging		38,500			38,500
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25 Mud / Wastewater Dis	posal	145.000			145.000
26 Freight / Transportatio	on	36,000	15,000		51,000
28 Rig Supervision / Eng	ineering	154,800	62,000	18,000	234,800
31 Drill Bits		105,450			105,450
32 Fuel & Power		190,000	-		190,000
33 Water		52,000	395,000		447,000
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45 High Pressure Pump	Truck		48,000		48,000
46 Stimulation			1,650,000		1,650,000
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48 Insurance		27,190			27,180
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42 Intermediate Casing		161,800			161,800
43 Drilling Liner		428 655			305,000
45 Production Liner		440,040			440,045
46 Tubing				55,000	55.000
47 Wellhead		80,000		60,000	140,000
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49 Tanks					
50 Production Vessels	A CONTRACTOR			74,000	74,000
51 Flow Lines					
53 Artificial Lift Foulome	ent .			30,000	30,000
54 Compressor					
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66 Gathering / Bulk Lines	s				
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PREPARED BY MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY:

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Team Lead - WTXINM Drilling Engineer Aaron Byrd Completions Engineer Othes Calvert Production Engineer Calvert Calvert Calvert MATADOR RESOURCES COMPANY APPROVAL: VP - Res Engineering __________BMR Executive VP, COO/CFO VP - Onling DEL Executive VP, Legal Exec Dir - Exploration VP - Production VP & General Manager President WVH

NON OPERATING PARTNER APPROVAL:

Company Name:	Working in	ntorest (%)		Tax ID	-
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Per usps website, on July 31, 2015, it is still Showing "in transit" with last update on March 26, 12015 in Missoula, MT.



SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATIONS



March 24, 2015

 Matador Production Company's ("Matador") landman, Melissa Randle, created a well proposal packet for the Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E RN 201H well and sent to working interest parties in the unit including Jalapeno Corporation ("Jalapeno")

April 10, 2015

• Matador follows up with Jalapeno via e-mail on the status of Airstrip proposal.

April 13, 2015

• Jalapeno responds via e-mail indicating that it will respond via letter.

April 28, 2015

• Jalapeno send response letter to Matador.

May 12, 2015 - May 15, 2015

• Sam Pryor and Rudy Sims participate in calls Jalapeno to discuss the Airstrip well proposal and response letters dated April 28, 2015.

May 18, 2015

- Matador arranges meeting with Jalapeno for June 3, 2015, at Matador's office.
- Jalapeno indicates they are unwilling to make an election until Matador meets in person.

June 3, 2015

 Matador's CEO, President, EVP – Land and Legal, EVP and General Manager, EVP – Land, Vice President – Reservoir Engineering and CTO, Operations Land Manager, New Mexico Team Lead and other members of the operations team meet with Fred Yates and Becky Pemberton of Yates Energy and with Emmons Yates of Jalapeno to discuss the Airstrip proposal and alternatives to participating.

June 19, 2015

- Matador follows up with Jalapeno as to the status of their elections.
- Emmons Yates of Jalapeno indicates Jalapeno will provide a response by Monday, June 22, 2015.

June 22, 2015

 Matador calls Jalapeno to discuss the Airstrip well proposal, acreage trade and nonconsent penalty and indicates that it may need to initiate force pooling proceedings if a deal is not reached with Jalapeno soon.

July 14, 2016 - July 16, 2015

• Matador initiates calls with Jalapeno to discuss the Airstrip well proposal, acreage trade and non-consent penalty again.

July 20, 2015

Matador initiates force pooling proceedings.

July 21, 2015

- Matador calls Jalapeno to revisit possibility of term assignment, expanded JOA contract area and non-consent penalty.
- Jalapeno again confirms that it is unwilling to sell its interest, commit its interest to the JOA unless the non-consent penalty is reduced or participate in the well.
- Matador informs Jalapeno that it will initiate force pooling proceedings.

August 6, 2015

· Jalapeno's attorney files an entry of appearance.

August 10, 2015

• Jalapeno's attorney requests a continuance because of an unavailable witness without specifying who the witness is.

August 11, 2015

 Matador disagrees with any action to continue the hearing date and replies to Jalapeno attorney with its reasons.

August 12, 2015

Matador receives a filed motion for continuance related to the compulsory pooling case.

August 13, 2015

- Van Singleton from Matador speaks to Harvey E. Yates Jr. of Jalapeno regarding
 potential deals related to Jalapeno's interest and reiterates that Matador is willing to
 provide information, but no requests have been made.
- Matador agrees to a continuance requested by Jalapeno.

August 17, 2015

 Matador receives a letter from Jalapeno requesting information it claims it needs from Matador.

August 21, 2015

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• Matador receives a subpoena from Jalapeno.

August 26, 2015

• Van Singleton from Matador responds to Jalapeno's letter regarding the Airstrip Well.



HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY

A MEMBER COMPANY OF HEYCO ENERGY GROUP

September 18, 2014



CERTIFIED MAIL

Airstrip Prospect Working Interest Owners (See attached mailing list)

Re:

Airstrip 31 State Com #2H Sec.31, T-18S R-35E, N.M.P.M. SHL: 150' FSL & 330' FWL Sec. 31, T-18S, R-35E, N.M.P.M. BHL: 330' FNL & 710' FWL Lea County, New Mexico

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Harvey E. Yates Company ("HEYCO") hereby proposes to drill the above captioned well. The Airstrip 31 State Com #2H well has been staked and permitted at an approximate surface hole location of 150' FSL and 330' FWL in Section 31 of T-18S, R-35E, with an approximate bottom hole location of 330' FNL and 710' FWL in Section 31 and will be drilled horizontally to test the Bone Spring 3rd Sand at an approximate vertical depth of 10,510 feet. The project area for this well will be 154.28 acres (W/2W/2 Section 31).

A Joint Operating Agreement is enclosed for your review and execution. If you wish to participate in the captioned well please return a signed AFE with the executed pages to the JOA to my attention. Also attached to this proposal is a spreadsheet that outlines the legal description of the contract area for the prospect, and the breakdown of the working interest for each owner in the prospect area (634.28 acres). In the event you elect not to participate in this drilling proposal, HEYCO will consider a farm-in of your working interest on terms acceptable to HEYCO.

Should you have any questions regarding this proposal please contact me for any land concerns, Trent Green for any technical questions, and Gordon Yahney for geology concerns.

Very truly yours,

(A)

Colby Booth Landman

CSB Enclosures AirstripFedCom2HProposalLtr.doc/Land:SE Airstrip Southeast Airstrip Mailing Labels

Harvey E. Yates Company P.O. Box 1933 Roswell, NM 88202-1933

Jalapeno Corporation P.O. Box 1608 Albuquerque, NM 87103-1608

Prime Energy Corporation 9821 Katy Freeway, Suite 1050 Houston, TX 77024-6009

Roden Associates, Ltd. 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057

S & C Construction Company P.O. Box 1509 Whitefish, MT 59937

Spiral, Inc. P.O. Box 1933 Roswell, NM 88202-1933

Devon Energy Production Co. 333 W. Sheridan Oklahoma City, OK 73102 Explorers Petroleum Corporation P.O. Box 1933 Roswell, NM 88202-1933

Mike Kadane Trust P.O. Box 5012 Wichita Falls, TX 76307

Roden Participants, Ltd. 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057

Roden Exploration Company Ltd. 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057

Sherrfive, LP 812 Eagle Pointe Montgomery, TX 77316

Yates Energy Corporation P.O. Box 2323 Roswell, NM 88202-2323



Authority For Expenditure Harvey E. Yates Company

Date 7/15/2014 Jim Ward Prospect Name Airstrip Bone Spring County, State Lea, New Mexico Projected Total Depth: 15,185'

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924-003 Water Hauling					\$	100,000
924-005 Logging, Perforations & Wirelin	e				\$	140,000
924-006 Rentals Subsurface					\$	100,000
924-006 Rentals Surface					\$	235,000
924-006 Nitrogen Service & Coiled Tubin	ng				\$	180,000
924-006 Fishing					\$	•
924-007 Stimulation					\$	2,500,000
924-007 Transportation					\$	14,000
924-009 Contract Labor & Roustabout					\$	15,000
925-001 Bits & Reamers					\$	5,000
925-001 Couplings & Fittings	100				\$	15,000
925-003 Location & Road Expense		-			\$	10,000
925-003 Miscellaneous IDC					\$	150,000
925-003 Pipe Inspection & Recondition					\$	20,000
925-003 Pumping Services (Kill Truck)					\$	120,000
925-003 Testing					\$	11,500
925-003 Well Control Insurance D	ays:	10	\$/Day:	350	\$	3,500
Contingency (10%)			12.00		\$	389,525
TOTAL					Ş	4.284,775

Tangible Well Equipment A	CP		-	-			COSTS
930-003 Prod. Csg / Liners	5-1/2"	\$/Ft *	15	Feet:	8000	\$	120,000
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930-004 Tubing	2-3/8 "	\$/Ft 1	7	Feet:	10500	\$	68,250
930-009 Wellhead						\$	9,500
931-000 Downhole Lift Equip	ment	1				\$	-
931-000 Subsurface Equipm	ent					\$	45,000
Contingency (10%)			-			\$	39,275
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940-001 Pumping Units & Engines	\$	
940-002 Emission Controls	\$	-
940-002 Heaters, Treaters & Separators	\$	35,000
940-005 Tanks & Accessory Equipment	\$	150,000
941-001 Pipeline	\$	45,000
941-001 Facility Electrical & Automation	\$	25,000
941-001 Overhead Electricity	\$	12,500
941-001 Misc. Non-Controllable Equipment	\$	25,000
Contingency (10%)	\$	29,250
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	S	321,750
TOTAL COMPLETION	5	5.038.550

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Authority For Expenditure Harvey E. Yates Company

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Drill and Completed Cost

\$7,317,030.00

Working Interest Owner	Working Interest	Estimated Costs
Explorers Petroleum Corp.	0.02489898	\$182,186.58
Jalapeno Corporation	0.05097063	\$372,953.63
Mike Kadane Trust	0.01250118	\$91,471.53
Prime Energy Corporation	0.03125296	\$228,678.82
Roden Participants, Ltd.	0.03097409	\$226,638.38
Roden Associates, Ltd.	0.00619482	\$45,327.69
Roden Exploration Company, Ltd.	0.03097409	\$226,638.38
S & C Construction Company	0.08982488	\$657,251.35
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Yates Energy Corporation	0.08394506	\$614,228.54
Harvey E. Yates Company	0.52373944	\$3,832,217.17
Total	1.0000000	\$7,317,030.01

Jalapeno Corporation P.O. Box 1608 Albuquerque, NM 87103-1608 Phone: (505) 242-2050 Fax: (505) 242-8501

October 21, 2014

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Attn: Colby Booth Harvey E. Yates Company P.O. Box 1933 Roswell, NM 88202

RE: <u>Airstrip 31 State Com #2H</u> S31, T18S, R35E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Colby,

Enclosed please find the executed AFE evidencing that Jalapeno Corporation has agreed to participate in the drilling of the Airstrip horizontal well. However, we do not agree to sign the proposed operating agreement. The reason is that the non-consent penalty is much too high considering the low risk. we believe the geologic, engineering and other risks associated with 2nd and 3rd Bone Spring horizontal drilling in the township do not support your proposed 100%/300% nonconsent penalty. We believe a far more supportable nonconsent penalty would be 100%/150%. If this is acceptable, we will execute the operating agreement.

Yours Truly,

Sec. 1.40 Harvey E. Yates, Jr. President Jalapeño Corporation

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WELL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

E-MAIL jbarrack@jalapenocorp.com and evates@jalapenocorp.com:

Daily Drilling & Completion Reports

New Wells - Daily Production Reports for the first year

- 1. First 60 days send daily
- 2. For rest of the year send Monthly

E-MAIL jbarrack@jalapenocorp.com: Electric log

MAIL FINAL REPORTS:

Surveyed Location Plat

Daily Drilling & Completion Reports at the end of the drilling & completion State and/or Federal Forms (Drilling & Completion)

Logs - Final prints of all open hole and cased hole logs

Production Tests

Well Prognosis

Geological Reports

Core Analysis - Prelim and Final

Mudlogging - One reproducible copy of the final print

Logs – Electric Logs and Dipmeters (Field and Final); Cement Bond; DST Charts with Engr. analysis, core descriptions and analysis and fluid analysis; Digital Log Data.

Test – Gas/Oil Ration; Open Flow; Shut-In; Bottom Hole Pressure; Reservoir Fluid or Gas Analysis; Drillstem; Monthly Production Reports.

To mail final reports:

P.O. Box 1608, Albuquerque, NM 87103-1608 To FedEx/UPS final reports: 1429 Control NW Spite 3 Albuquerque NM 8710

1429 Central NW Suite 3, Albuquerque, NM 87104

Telephone Reports (night, holidays or weekends) for any critical and urgent decision: Emmons Yates – Cell phone # (505) 980-0703 or Harvey E. Yates, Jr. – Cell phone # (505) 980-7761.

It is understood and agreed that our representative shall have access to the rig floor at all times and to any and all information concerning the captioned well.



Authority For Expenditure Harvey E. Yates Company

Date:	7/15/2014
Prepared By:	Jim Ward
Prospect Name:	Airstrip Bone Spring
County, State:	Lea, New Mexico
Projected Total Depth:	15,185'
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924-009 Contract Labor & Roustabo	ut				\$	15,000
925-001 Bits & Reamers					\$	5,000
925-001 Couplings & Fittings					\$	15,000
925-003 Location & Road Expense					\$	10,000
925-003 Miscellaneous IDC					\$	150,000
925-003 Pipe Inspection & Recondit	ion				\$	20,000
925-003 Pumping Services (Kill Tru	ck)				\$	120,000
925-003 Testing					\$	11,500
925-003 Well Control Insurance	Days:	10	\$/Day:	350	\$	3,500
Contingency (10%)					\$	389,525
TOTAL					\$	4,284,775

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930-003 Prod. Csg / Liners	5-1/2"	\$/Ft: 15	Feet	8000	\$	120,000
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930-004 Tubing	2-3/8 "	\$/Ft 7	Feet	10500	\$	68,250
930-009 Wellhead					\$	9,500
931-000 Downhole Lift Equip	ment				\$	-
931-000 Subsurface Equipme	ent	1000			\$	45,000
Contingency (10%)					\$	39,275
TOTAL EQUIPMENT					5	432.025

Tangible Lease & Battery Equipment ACP		COSTS
940-001 Pumping Units & Engines	\$	
940-002 Emission Controls	\$	
940-002 Heaters, Treaters & Separators	\$	35,000
940-005 Tanks & Accessory Equipment	\$	150,000
941-001 Pipeline	\$	45,000
941-001 Facility Electrical & Automation	\$	25,000
941-001 Overhead Electricity	\$	12,500
941-001 Misc. Non-Controllable Equipment	\$	25,000
Contingency (10%)	\$	29,250
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	5	321,750

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MRC Delaware Resources, LLC

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Melissa Randle Land Manager

March 24, 2015

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL 7012 2920 0002 3253 7414

Jalapeno Corporation P.O. Box 1608 Albuquerque, NM 87103-1608

Re: Well Proposal Matador: Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E #201H (formerly Airstrip 31 State #2H) Section 31-18S-35E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Jalapeno Corporation:

Reference is made to that certain well proposal letter dated September 14, 2014, sent by Harvey E. Yates Company ("HEYCO") proposing to drill the Airstrip 31 State #2H well referenced above to test the Third Bone Springs formation at a horizontal location in the W/2 W/2 of the subject section. On Friday, February 27, 2015, HEYCO closed on and merged its assets in New Mexico with Matador Resources Company and MRC Delaware Resources, LLC ("MRC Delaware") is the new successor entity with Matador Production Company being the operating company entity for MRC Delaware.

MRC Delaware desires to drill the subject well above to a depth that is approximately 200' deeper than originally proposed in order to test the Wolfcamp formation at a surface location approximately 150' FSL and 330' FWL of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, and a bottom hole location of approximately 330' FNL and 710' FWL of Section 31, Township 18 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. We intend to drill horizontally (~10,840' TVD) to a Total Measured Depth of approximately 15,500' resulting in a lateral wellbore of approximately 4,400' that is planned to be completed with 15 frac stages. Estimated costs to drill the test well are \$5,376,594 for a dry hole with a completed well costing approximately \$9,099,800 as shown on the enclosed AFE.

Please indicate your election for this proposed operation by executing this letter below, as well as the enclosed AFE, if participating, and return both to the attention of the undersigned. Please be aware that the enclosed AFE is only an estimate of costs to be incurred and in electing to participate in the proposed well, you will be responsible for your proportionate share of all actual costs incurred. If your election is to participate, please accept this letter as an invoice notice and request for payment and to please remit payment for your proportionate share of costs pursuant to Article VII.C of the above referenced operating agreement as detailed in the enclosed AFE to Matador Production

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Company on or before fifteen (15) days after receipt of this estimate and invoice is received.

I have enclosed a revised Operating Agreement to the previous agreement sent under the September 14, 2014 proposal letter for your review and execution. We have corrected the operator name, well depth, contract depth, Exhibit "A", header names, etc. to reflect the proposed well herein. Please return one (1) executed copy of the signature page to the Operating Agreement along with your election letter and AFE.

As an alternative to participation, MRC Delaware hereby proposes the following options covering your 5.097063% Working Interest in this proposed unit:

- Assign all your interest to MRC Delaware for \$1800.00 per net acre for delivering of your existing Net Revenue Interest, less and except your interest in any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit.
- 2) Assign all of your interest to MRC Delaware delivering a 75.0% Net Revenue Interest, reserving an Overriding Royalty Interest equal to the positive difference between existing burdens and 25.0%, proportionately reduced. Any assignment would cover all rights less and except any rights in and to any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit.

As an alternative to the above options, MRC Delaware would be interested in purchasing your interest in this unit/section including any producing well bores, subject to the negotiation of mutually agreeable price and terms. If you are interested in pursuing this alternative, please so indicate at the space provided below and/or contact the undersigned. We will immediately forward this information to our Acquisitions and Divestitures Department for follow-up. However, you are advised that entering into negotiations to sell your interest does not excuse or allow you to delay your required election under this well proposal.

Your earliest attention and response to this proposal will be greatly appreciated. With this recent merger, there is an opportunity to move this well onto our rig schedule and spud this proposed well around April 25, 2015, provided we can gather the elections and signatures needed ahead of spudding the well. Should you have any questions regarding this proposal, please contact me at any time using the contact information above.

Sincerely,

MRC DELAWARE RESOURCES, LLC

Melissa Randle Land Manager

Enclosures
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Please elect one (1) of the following and return to sender:

Jalapeno Corporation hereby elects to participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE for the Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E #201H Well, located in Lea County, New Mexico.

Please find enclosed our proportionate share of well costs pursuant to the cash call provision under the governing operating agreement referenced hereinabove.

Jalapeno Corporation hereby elects not to participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE for the Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E #201H Well, located in Lea County, New Mexico.

Jalapeno Corporation hereby elects to assign our interest for \$1,800/acre for delivery of my existing Net Revenue Interest, less and except your interest in any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit. Please provide assignment form for review and acceptance.

Jalapeno Corporation hereby elects to assign all of our interest to MRC Delaware delivering a 75.0% Net Revenue Interest, reserving an Overriding Royalty Interest equal to the positive difference between existing burdens and 25.0%, proportionately reduced. Any assignment would cover all rights less and except any rights in and to any existing producing wellbore(s) located in the SE Airstrip Com #1 Unit. Please provide assignment form for review and acceptance.

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By:_____

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I / We are interested in selling our interest in this unit, please contact us to discuss.

EXHIBIT

Jalapeno Corporation

PO Box 1608, Albuquerque, NM. 87103 Ph: 505-242-2050 fax: 505-242-8501

> April 28, 2015 Re: Matador Airstrip State Com #20 1H Sent Return Receipt Requested

Melissa Randle, Land Manager MRC Delaware Resources LLC PO Box 1936 Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1936

Dear Melissa:

Thanks for your letter regarding the subject well which was received here on March 31st. You enclosed with your letter both an AFE and a proposed operating agreement ("JOA").

While we may be willing to participate in the proposed well, we are unwilling to execute a JOA written as you have proposed. The "non-consent" provisions included in your JOA suggest a much greater geologic risk -- a risk inherent in the vertical-well world --, but far overestimates the geologic risk inherent in the Bone Spring or Wolfcamp horizontal drilling world. Because of this, any JOA we execute with terms even approaching those you suggest would have to be limited to the well's spacing unit and be limited to the horizon to be drilled in the well's proposed lateral -- in this case the Wolfcamp formation.

In regard to your AFE we have some problems. For starters, we note the your new AFE is \$1,782,770 higher than the AFE sent out by Heyco a few months ago even though rig costs, as well as the cost of other services, have fallen since the start of the precipitous oil-price decline. Thus, we also have compared the AFE you sent for the Airstrip with AFEs from comparable wells proposed by other operators in the general area. The comparison raises some questions. For instance, COG Operating LLC's AFE for the CTA State Com # 6H has a supervision estimate of \$105,000 while your AFE has a supervision estimate of over twice as much -- \$234,000. Intangible Costs Contingencies in your AFE are \$690,017 whereas the CTA well's AFE has Intangible Costs Contingencies at \$80,000. In short, while the depth of your well is approximately 2,000 feet deeper than the CTA well, this fact by no means explains the significant additional cost of your proposed well.

Trying to get at the reason for your greatly elevated costs, we have compared the estimated drilling cost per foot from your AFE with the estimated drilling cost per foot of other well know operators in the area. The estimated drill cost per foot of COG's CTA # 6H is \$130 per foot. The estimated drill cost of Devon's Bellatrix # 4H is \$215 per foot. While Devon is

known as a high cost operator, your AFE blows them out of the water. The proposed cost per foot of your well is \$347. As I say, we have problems with your AFE, and for obvious reasons we decline to sign it in its present condition.

Your letter proposes some alternatives to participating in the well, none of which appear to us to be reasonable. For instance, whereas Matador recently priced Heyco acreage at \$8,000 an acre, you suggest that we sell our acreage to MRC for \$1,500 an acre -- this even though the Airstrip acreage is likely among the more valuable acreage purchased by Matador.

As an alternative to your proposals, we will offer one: We would agree to sell MRC a one year term lease covering our interest in the Wolfcamp underlying the spacing unit for \$5,000 per net acre. We would reserve an ORR equal to the difference between 25% and the existing burdens. If you are interested in this, please let us know.

It is our understanding that Yates Energy joins us in this response.

ours truly. larvev



Jalapeno Corporation

PO Box 1608, Albuquerque, NM. 87103 Ph: 505-242-2050 fax: 505-242-8501

August 17, 2015

Van Singleton Matador Production Company Suite 1500 One Lincoln Centre, 5400 LBJ Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75240

Dear Van:

In the course of our conversation on Thursday you mentioned that our Motion for Continuance stated that we were going to request a subpoena from the OCD in order to secure documents from Matador. You suggested that we just send you a list of needed information without going through the subpoena process. I appreciate that offer. Consequently, I attach to this letter a list of the documents we need from Matador related to its force-pooling application. If some of the requested information is more readily available to Matador than other information, I request that it be supplied to us as Matador retrieves it. However, I would request that all the information be supplied to us by the last day of this month which is just a few days before the hearing date.

Our conversation occurred because you called and then texted me to say that you have been gone for a month and that you hoped we could resolve the Airstrip pooling matter which got off-track in your absence. I returned your call. I agree that this matter is off-track.

As you are aware we received in March 2015 Matador's AFE from Melissa Randal (Landman for Matador) together with a letter which demanded that we respond within 15 days and immediately pay our proportionate share of the Airstrip well -- a cost which had grown by approximately \$1.7 million since Heyco's earlier AFE for a well at the same location. Melissa's letter also included a Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) which contained a 100%/300% non-consent penalty provision. Needless to say, both my brother, Fred Yates, and I found the tone of Melissa's letter to be particularly inappropriate. We thought that Matador, Jalapeno and Yates Energy all had reason to start their relationship on friendly, rather than hostile, terms.

Both in my written response to Melissa and in subsequent conversations with your subordinates, I have explained that I would not sign a JOA for horizontal drilling which contains a non-consent provision which, though customary during the era of vertical wells, is now inappropriate because it reflects a penalty which is unrelated to the actual risk most drillers are taking when they drill horizontal wells in the Delaware Basin. I suggested changing the nonconsent provision in Matador's proposed JOA to make those terms more reflective of the actual risk of drilling in the area. Matador rejected any change to the non-consent terms.

However, because we were trying to start our relationship with Matador in a cooperative way, I suggested terms of yet another deal which I thought would allow Matador to drill its Airstrip well, even though I would not sign its proffered JOA, and even though I believe Matador's AFE is unreasonably high. I offered to trade our acreage under the 154.28 spacing unit to Matador for \$5,000 a net acre (the same price Matador has agreed to pay Yates Energy) if Matador would trade to Jalapeno some Chaves County acreage which it had fortuitously inherited in its Heyco merger. (The offer price for the Chaves County acreage was the same price Jalapeno recently paid another joint owner of the same Chaves County acreage.) My thinking was that if Matador itself owned our acreage within the spacing unit, neither the JOA issue nor the AFE issue would arise.

However, when Sam Pryor, another Matador Landman, called to discuss the exchange offer he suggested that though the exchange seemed to be fair, Matador still wanted me to sign the offending JOA as to acreage outside of the spacing unit. Of course, I refused. Negotiations broke down. Until you and I talked Thursday I assumed the deal is "off-track," not because there is a dispute as to the spacing unit regarding which Matador has filed the force-pooling application, but because I won't sign a JOA which covers our ownership in acreage outside of the spacing unit which is being force-pooled.

In our conversation on Thursday you suggested that there is an additional problem with my acreage trade proposal. Because one of my brothers, George, is on Matador's board of directors, and Matador is a public company, Matador cannot make a different deal with me than it makes with other parties. This seems to me to place Matador in a particularly difficult position because, before Matador initiates a force pooling action, it is supposed to negotiate in good faith to resolve the issue. Yet, Matador would be limited to communicating to me what the deal would be, because others have agreed to it. I doubt that such communication would rise to the level of the required negotiations. (Keep in mind that depending on the circumstances, the "others" may have no knowledge about the oil industry, no knowledge about the actual risk of the proposed drilling and no capacity to examine an AFE.)

In a third attempt to get our dispute resolved, on Thursday I suggested yet another possible trade which would allow Matador to incorporate our acreage within a JOA covering all of Section 31. In other words, it would resolve the problem Sam Pryor raised. I suggested that Matador might buy all our net acreage in Section 31 from surface to the base of the Wolfcamp under a term agreement equivalent to that it has negotiated with Yates Energy. (As I understand that Term Agreement, Matador would pay \$5,000 a net acre and would be subject to a continuous drilling agreement to hold the acreage. Jalapeno would retain an ORR equal to the difference between existing burdens and 25%. The term agreement also would contain a horizontal Pugh Clause.) Matador could then enter our acreage into a JOA containing nonconsent terms of its choosing. However, my stipulation was that as to any acreage returned to Jalapeno as a consequence of the termination of Matador's rights to it, the acreage would be subject to a 100%/150% non-consent provision rather than the 100%/300% provision contained

in Matador's proposed JOA. As in the earlier offer, Matador would sell to Jalapeno its interest in the Chaves County acreage: W/2 of Sec. 17 of 9S, 27E.

Thus, Matador has from me three offers related to its proposed drilling:

- It can simply change the terms of the non-consent provisions in its proposed JOA to 100%/150%. Jalapeno will non-consent as to the drilling of the Airstrip Wolfcamp well, but may well later consent to Bone Spring horizontal wells or even later Wolfcamp wells within acreage covered by the JOA depending, of course, on the then posted price of oil, or
- It can trade its Section 17 Chaves County acreage for our interest in the Airstrip spacing unit, at the earlier specified prices. It could then place its newly acquired interest in the Airstrip acreage into its JOA and drill the well, or
- It can purchase Jalapeno's acreage within Sec. 31of 18S, 35E on a term assignment and convey to us its acreage in W/2 Sec. 17, 9S.,27E. as discussed above.

I think the record shows that I have bent over backward in an attempt to reach a deal with Matador. However, because Matador filed a force-pooling action against us, we have had to employ attorneys, and they are costly. My preference among the deals is the first one above -- that Matador simply change the non-consent provisions of its JOA -- but, I am willing to enter into any of the three deals this week. After that, we will have piled so much legal time into preparation for the OCD Hearing, the follow-up OCC hearing, and, if necessary, the District Court case, that I'm not sure that any of the proposed settlement offers will make sense any more. If we are going to make a deal, we should do it now. Thanks for reaching out to me.

Yours truly, Harvey E. Wates, Jr.

ATTACHEMENT TO LETTER TO VAN SINGLETON INFORMATION NEEDED FROM MATADOR

<u>INFORMATION AS TO DRILLING AND COMPLETION PLANS</u>: As to the proposed Airstrip 31 RN State Com. 201H (hereinafter Airstrip 201H) we request the following information:

- Documents specifying how far below the top of the Wolfcamp formation Matador's proposed lateral will be.
- Documents related to whether the lateral will cut the Bone Spring formation as well as the Wolfcamp formation.
- Documents having to do with whether Matador's frac job will penetrate the Bone Spring formation as well as the Wolfcamp formation.

<u>PROJECTED RECOVERY FROM AIRSTRIP WELL:</u> Please provide any documents in Matador's possession which estimate or project the ultimate recovery from the Airstrip 201H.

<u>WOLFCAMP DST</u>: Heyco drilled the Southeast Airstrip # 1 in Unit N of Section 31 of 18TS, 35RE. (API # 3002527618) and completed it in the Morrow. In the course of that drilling effort Heyco caused a drill-stem test of the Wolfcamp formation. Please provide a copy of the drill stem test results. Additionally, please provide all documents having to do with Matador's lateral in the Airstrip 201H and its proposed frac-job suggesting whether either would penetrate the Wolfcamp at the approximate depth tested in the earlier Heyco well.

WHAT HORIZONS IS MATADOR ATTEMPTING TO FORCE-POOL?: Please provide documents clarifying the horizon which Matador is attempting to force-pool. See below:

- In the heading paragraph Matador states: "(*ii*) pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the non-standard unit..." (emphasis added)
- And, Matador's plea asks that the Division enter an order "B Pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the W1/W1/2 of Section 31." (emphasis added)
- However, at paragraph 2. Matador states, "Applicant seeks to dedicate the W1/2W1/2 ... to form a non-standard 154.28 acre oil spacing and proration unit (project area) for any formations and/or pools developed on 40 acre spacing within that vertical extent." (emphasis added)

MATADOR'S ACTUAL RISK: Matador asks that a 200% risk penalty be applied to the Airstrip 201H. Please provide all documents evidencing that 200% is equivalent to the actual risk Matador would encounter if it drills the Airstrip 201H.

INFORMATION WHICH MATADOR HAS CONVEYED TO OTHERS REGARDING ITS

<u>PERMIAN BASIN RISK AND REWARDS</u>: Please provide all documents conveyed to Matador's board of directors, shareholders, lendérs, analysts and reports to the Securities Exchange Commission dealing with the risk and reward of Matador's drilling on its Permian Basin acreage in New Mexico.

<u>SPECIFIC WELL INFORMATION</u>: For each of the following wells please provide all documents having to do with risk and reward, cost of drilling and completing, and success or failure related to the well:

- PICKARD STATE No. 002H, API Number: 3002541614,
- JIM ROLFE 22 18 34 RN STATE No. 131H, API Number: 3002541889,
- JIM ROLFE 22 18 34 RN STATE No. 131Y, API Number: 3002542057,
- PICKARD STATE 20-18S-34E RN#121H, API Number: 3002541614,
- CIMMARON 16-19S-34E RN #134H
- TIGER 14 24s 28e rb#204h. I API# is(30-015-43087
- AIRSTRIP 201H API Number: 3002540397.
- All other horizontal wells drilled by Matador in Southeast New Mexico

<u>HEDGING AND FIXED PRICE CONTRACTS</u>: Please provide documents related to the actual price Matador itself will receive for oil and gas production from the Airstrip 201H including documents evidencing whether Matador has or has not hedged the production it would receive from the Airstrip 201H and, additionally, whether it has entered into any fixed price contract which would affect the price it would receive for oil or gas from the Airstrip 201H. (Below, where I reference "hedged dollar price" or "hedged fund dollars" please also provide information as to any fixed price contract payments.)

- If Matador is hedged, please provide documents evidencing whether the revenue Matador would receive from a force-pooled party's former proportionate share of the production, would be paid to Matador in hedged fund dollars -- that is, in the per barrel price for which has Matador hedged.
- If Matador would be paid at the hedged price for the force-pooled parties' former interest, please provide all documents, including risk analyses, specifying whether the 200% penalty which Matador has asked the OCD to impose was calculated in the analyses at the hedged dollar price or at the actual oil price which is expected to be received for the produced oil or gas.
- Please provide all documents which relate to whether Matador plans to have the recoupment of the penalty, which would be imposed on the parties which are force-pooled, calculated at the hedged price or in the actual price then prevailing for the oil and when it is sold?

<u>RIG COSTS</u>: Matador's predecessor, Heyco, provided Jalapeno Corporation and Yates Energy an AFE for the drilling of a Bone Spring well at the same location as now proposed by Matador. Both Jalapeno and Yates Energy consented to participate in Heyco's well. However, Matador's AFE is approximately one million seven hundred thousand dollars higher than the Heyco AFE agreed to by Jalapeno and Yates Energy. In the meantime the cost of drill rigs has plummeted as drill rigs in the Permian Basin have been stacked. However, public information suggests that Matador owns its own rigs or has leased rigs to utilize in its Permian Basin drilling.

- Please provide all documents related to any drilling contract or ancillary related agreement which affects, or would tend to affect, the cost of drilling the Airstrip 201H or which evidence the reason for Matador's high AFE cost for the Airstrip 201H:
- Please provide all documents which explain the reason for the higher cost of drilling the Matador well than AFE'ed earlier for the proposed Heyco well even though since the earlier AFE rig costs and other service prices have plummeted;
- If Matador intends to drill the Airstrip 201H with its own rig or with a leased rig, if Matador intends to use its own equipment otherwise or if Matador intends to dispose of salt water in its own disposal wells, please provide copies of all accounting or other documents which reveal both Matador's likely actual cost of such operations as well as the cost it intends to bill non-operators for such operations.

<u>ESTIMATED ULTIMATE RECOVERIES</u>: Please provide all documents in Matador's possession which estimate the ultimate recovery which Matador expects from wells it has drilled, has submitted an application to drill or will propose to drill in the following townships which surround the proposed Airstrip 201H: T18S, R34E; T18S,R35E; T19S, R34E and T19S, R35E.

FXHIBIT

MRC Delaware Resources Company

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August 26, 2015

Mr. Harvey Yates Jalapeno Corporation Post Office Box 1608 Albuquerque, NM 87103

Re: Airstrip Well

Dear Harvey:

I have reviewed your letter dated August 17, 2015 and have had the chance to consider your most recent proposal and the attached requests (the "Letter"). When we last spoke, I suggested that you send us a request for any information that you may need in connection with your analysis of Matador's force pooling application and related hearing with respect to the State Com Well 31-18S-35E #201H (the "Well"). Additionally, we have since received a copy of a subpoena filed by your attorneys with the OCD requesting many of the same items found in the attachment to your Letter, along with a number of other items not requested in the Letter. As a result, Matador's legal counsel will prepare and file the appropriate response to your request for a subpoena.

Your Letter included a number of items that require a response from Matador. First, you referenced the March, 2015 AFE prepared by Matador and duly submitted to Jalapeno and specifically highlighted the \$1.7 million increase in the cost compared to that of a proposal you had previously received from HEYCO. As we have discussed on several occasions, the HEYCO proposal contemplated a Bone Spring completion instead of the Wolfcamp completion as shown in our March 24 well proposal and AFE. The proposed Wolfcamp completion is deeper than the Bone Spring proposal and will require an additional string of casing. These two reasons account for the vast majority of the difference between the HEYCO AFE and the new AFE which is really not an "apples to apples" comparison.

You also raised an issue with respect to the 100%/300% non-consent penalty contemplated by our proposed JOA. I understand that you have raised this objection with other operators as well; however, this is a current industry standard non-consent penalty contained in all recent operating agreements Matador has entered into in the Delaware Basin, whether or not we are the operator and other working interest owners in the proposed unit have agreed to these terms. While you may not agree with such penalty, based on our experience as an operator of

horizontal wells in this area, we disagree with your assertion that a lower risk threshold is more appropriate for horizontal wells. Accordingly, we are unable to accommodate your request for a 100%/150% non-consent penalty.

I appreciate your efforts to work with Matador on a possible transaction involving your acreage. You mentioned in your Letter that your brother, George Yates, is on Matador's Board of Directors. You may have misunderstood the point I was making. The fact that George is on our Board does not preclude Matador from negotiating with you or other family members. Your Letter seems to ignore the good faith efforts that Matador has made to offer Jalapeno a variety of deal options. Specific to that point, in our initial proposal we offered Jalapeno four different options, including: participating in the well, assigning all of your net revenue interest in the proposed contract area for the Well to Matador for \$1,800/net acre, assigning 75% of your net revenue interest with a reserved 25% overriding royalty interest in the proposed contract area for the Well, or selling all of your interest in the related governmental section. After you responded unfavorably to all of those options, we invited you to our office and raised the price we would pay on a per acre basis to \$5000.00 per acre and presented an additional alternativecontributing the acreage to a joint venture in which Jalapeno or its affiliates have a beneficial interest. Beyond that, we have seriously considered your counterproposals and offers, but we are unwilling to accept terms materially different than those we have negotiated with other parties in the applicable section or the general area.

With respect to the specific transactions we have discussed, you mentioned the possible trade of your four net acres in the proposed spacing unit of the Well for all of our acreage in Section 17, T9S, R27E, Chaves County. The deal terms that you have offered, however, do not seem to be fair for both sides as we would receive a limited amount of your acreage in Section 31 with a number of additional limitations while you would receive all of our acreage in Section 17 with no additional limitations. That type of trade would be unacceptable unless you are willing to expand the trade to include all of the acreage Jalapeno owns in the section without additional limitations. The price per acre and horizontal Pugh provisions preclude us from pursuing this transaction for such a small position. Again, if Jalapeno would expand its offer to include all of the acreage it holds in the section, we would be interested in discussing the proposed transaction further.

You have also offered to sell all of Jalapeno's interest in Section 31 pursuant to a term assignment. As we understand your proposal, Jalapeno would convey all of its net acreage in Section 31 to Matador in exchange for \$5,000/ net mineral acre pursuant to a term assignment with a one-year term and a 120 day continuous drilling clause. Under this scenario, Matador could include the acreage in any JOA it enters into in connection with the formation of a unit involving Section 31; however, any acreage/depths that Matador does not hold would revert to Jalapeno and would no longer be subject to the terms of the JOA. We are not opposed to this scenario so long as any acreage that might revert to Jalapeno would remain a part of the contract area covered by the JOA. By maintaining uniformity in the contract area, additional wells could be proposed in the future without having to revise the JOA and our hope would be that Jalapeno would participate as a working interest owner.

We understand that you believe you have tried to work with us to reach a deal and we also believe that we have worked hard to reach a compromise acceptable to both parties. While our strong preference is to enter into agreement to include your acreage in the section encompassing the Airstrip unit, we cannot accept terms that are less favorable than those which have been agreeable to many other operators in the Delaware Basin and that could impair our ability to further develop these minerals in the future. We would like to continue to work to resolve this matter before the scheduled hearing on September 3, 2015. I will call you to further discuss the options that you have presented.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (972) 371-5273.

Respectfully,

Van H. Singleton, II, Executive Vice President of Land

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR A NON-STANDARD SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 15,363

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James Bruce

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 26th day of August, 2015 by



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Sure

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Attorney for Matador Production Company



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Jalapeno Corporation	c/o Harvey E. Yates, Jr. or Isabel Zhang (Landman) P.O. Box 1608 Albuquerque, NM 87103-1608
Prime Energy Corporation	c/o Beverly A. Cummings, Executive Vice President 9821 Katy Freeway Suite 1050 Houston, TX 77024-6009
Roden Associates, Ltd.	c/o Ben Kinney 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057
Roden Exploration Company, Ltd.	c/o Ben Kinney 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057
Roden Participants, Ltd.	c/o Ben Kinney 2603 Augusta, Suite 740 Houston, TX 77057
S&C Construction Company	Steve Cosby P.O. Box 1509 Whitefish, MT 59937
Sherrfive, LP	Jeff Sherrick 812 Eagle Pointe Montgomery, TX 77316

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Mary D. Hughes	c/o Taylor Hughes Mason 25 Highland Park Village, Suite 100 #819 Dallas, TX 75205			
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Matthew B. Kadane C/O Mike 4809 Cole Avenue, Suite 100 Dallast TX 75205				
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ______ day of August, 2015 by



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Very truly yours,

Attorney for Matador Production Company

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SOUTHEAST AIRSTRIP WORKING INTEREST UNIT

OPERATING AGREEMENT

DATED

October 15, 1981,

OPERATOR HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY

CONTRACT AREA Township 18 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 31: Lots 3, 4, E/2 SW/4,

SE/4 (Being S/2)

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OPERATING AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into by and between HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY 3 , hereinafter designated and 4

referred to as "Operator", and the signatory party or parties other than Operator, sometimes hereinafter 5 6 referred to individually herein as "Non-Operator", and collectively as "Non-Operators",

WITNESSETH:

10 WHEREAS, the parties to this agreement are owners of oil and gas leases and/or oil and gas in-11 terests in the land identified in Exhibit "A", and the parties hereto have reached an agreement to explore 12 and develop these leases and/or oil and gas interests for the production of oil and gas to the extent and 13 as hereinafter provided:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

20 As used in this agreement, the following words and terms shall have the meanings here ascribed 21 to them:

22 A. The term "oil and gas" shall mean oil, gas, casinghead gas, gas condensate, and all other liquid 23 or gaseous hydrocarbons and other marketable substances produced therewith, unless an intent to 24 limit the inclusiveness of this term is specifically stated.

25 B. The terms "oil and gas lease", "lease" and "leasehold" shall mean the oil and gas leases cov-26 ering tracts of land lying within the Contract Area which are owned by the parties to this agreement. 27 C. The term "oil and gas interests" shall mean unleased fee and mineral interests in tracts of 28 land lying within the Contract Area which are owned by parties to this agreement.

29 D. The term "Contract Area" shall mean all of the lands, oil and gas leasehold interests and oil 30 and gas interests intended to be developed and operated for oil and gas purposes under this agreement. 31 Such lands, oil and gas leasehold interests and oil and gas interests are described in Exhibit "A".

32 E. The term "drilling unit" shall mean the area fixed for the drilling of one well by order or rule 33 of any state or federal body having authority. If a drilling unit is not fixed by any such rule or order, 34 a drilling unit shall be the drilling unit as established by the pattern of drilling in the Contract Area 35 or as fixed by express agreement of the Drilling Parties.

F. The term "drillsite" shall mean the oil and gas lease or interest on which a proposed well is to 36 37 be located.

38 G. The terms "Drilling Party" and "Consenting Party" shall mean a party who agrees to join in 39 and pay its share of the cost of any operation conducted under the provisions of this agreement.

40 H. The terms "Non-Drilling Party" and "Non-Consenting Party" shall mean a party who elects 41 not to participate in a proposed operation.

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ARTICLE II. EXHIBITS

If any provision of any exhibit, except Exhibit "E", is inconsistent with any provision opptained

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49 The following exhibits, as indicated below and attached hereto, are incorporated in and made a 50 part hereof:

X A. Exhibit "A", shall include the following information: 51

52 (1) Identification of lands subject to agreement,

- (2) Restrictions, if any, as to depths or formations,
- (3) Percentages or fractional interests of parties to this agreement,
- (4) Oil and gas leases and/or oil and gas interests subject to this agreement,
- (5) Addresses of parties for notice purposes. 56
- 57 B. Exhibit "B", Form of Lease.

X C. Exhibit "C", Accounting Procedure. 58

59 X D. Exhibit "D", Insurance.

60 X E. Exhibit "E", Gas Balancing Agreement.

X F. Exhibit "F", Non-Discrimination and Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities. 61 62

in the body of this agreement, the provisions in the body of this agreement shall prevailed

ARTICLE III. INTERESTS OF PARTIES

4 A. Oil and Gas Interests:

6 If any party owns an unleased oil and gas interest in the Contract Area, that interest shall be 7 treated for the purpose of this agreement and during the term hereof as if it were a leased interest 8 under the form of oil and gas lease attached as Exhibit "B". As to such interest, the owner shall re-9 ceive royalty on production as prescribed in the form of oil and gas lease attached hereto as Exhibit 10 "B". Such party shall, however, be subject to all of the provisions of this agreement relating to lessees, 11 to the extent that it owns the lessee interest.

13 B. Interest of Parties in Costs and Production:

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15 Exhibit "A" lists all of the parties and their respective percentage or fractional interests under this 16 agreement. Unless changed by other provisions, all costs and liabilities incurred in operations under 17 this agreement shall be borne and paid, and all equipment and material acquired in operations on the 18 Contract Area shall be owned by the parties as their interests are shown in Exhibit "A". All produc-19 tion of oil and gas from the Contract Area, subject to the payment of lessor's royalties which Joint Account, shall also be owned by the parties in the same manner during the term 20 21 hereof; provided, however, this shall not be deemed an assignment or cross-assignment of interests cov-22 ered hereby. 23

ARTICLE IV. TITLES

27 A. Title Examination:

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29 Title examination shall be made on the drillsite of any proposed well prior to commencement of 30 drilling operations or, if the Drilling Parties so request, title examination shall be made on the leases 31 and/or oil and gas interests included, or planned to be included, in the drilling unit around such well. 32 The opinion will include the ownership of the working interest, minerals, royalty, overriding royalty 33 and production payments under the applicable leases. At the time a well is proposed, each party con-34 tributing leases and/or oil and gas interests to the drillsite, or to be included in such drilling unit, shall 35 furnish to Operator all abstracts (including Federal Lease Status Reports), title opinions, title papers 36 and curative material in its possession free of charge. All such information not in the possession of or 37 made available to Operator by the parties, but necessary for the examination of title, shall be obtained 38 by Operator. Operator shall cause title to be examined by attorneys on its staff or by outside attorneys. Copies of all title opinions shall be furnished to each party hereto. The cost incurred by Operator in 39 this title program shall be borne as follows: 40

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12 Option No. 1: Costs incurred by Operator in precuring abstracts and title examination (including preliminary, supplemental, shut in gas royalty opinions and division order title opinions) shall be a part of the administrative overhead as provided in Exhibit "C," and shall not be a direct charge, whether performed by Operator's staff attorneys or by outside attorneys.

47 X Option No. 2: Costs incurred by Operator in procuring abstracts and fees paid outside attorneys 48 for title examination (including preliminary, supplemental, shut-in gas royalty opinions and division 49 order title opinions) shall be borne by the Drilling Parties in the proportion that the interest of each 40 Drilling Party bears to the total interest of all Drilling Parties as such interests appear in Exhibit "A". 51 Operator shall make no charge for services rendered by its staff attorneys or other personnel in the 52 performance of the above functions.

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Each party shall be responsible for securing curative matter and pooling amendments or agreements required in connection with leases or oil and gas interests contributed by such party. The Operator shall be responsible for the preparation and recording of Pooling Designations or Declarations as well as the conduct of hearings before Governmental Agencies for the securing of spacing or pooling orders. This shall not prevent any party from appearing on its own behalf at any such hearing.

No well shall be drilled on the Contract Area until after (1) the title to the drillsite or drilling unit has been examined as above provided, and (2) the title has been approved by the examining attorney or title has been accepted by all of the parties who are to participate in the drilling of the well.

64 B. Loss of Title:

 Failure of Title: Should any oil and gas interest or lease, or interest therein, be lost through failure of title, which loss results in a reduction of interest from that shown on Exhibit the this agreement, nevertheless, shall continue in force as to all remaining oil and gas leases and interests, and (a) The party whose oil and gas lease or interest is affected by the title failure, shall bear alone the entire loss and it shall not be entitled to recover from Operator or the other parties any development.

1 or operating costs which it may have theretofore paid, but there shall be no monetary liability on its 2 part to the other parties hereto for drilling, development, operating or other similar costs by reason of 3 such title failure; and

4 (b) There shall be no retroactive adjustment of expenses incurred or revenues received from the 5 operation of the interest which has been lost, but the interests of the parties shall be revised on an acre-6 age basis, as of the time it is determined finally that title failure has occurred, so that the interest of 7 the party whose lease or interest is affected by the title failure will thereafter be reduced in the Contract 8 Area by the amount of the interest lost; and

9 (c) If the proportionate interest of the other parties hereto in any producing well theretofore drilled 10 on the Contract Area is increased by reason of the title failure, the party whose title has failed shall 11 receive the proceeds attributable to the increase in such interests (less costs and burdens attributable 12 thereto) until it has been reimbursed for unrecovered costs paid by it in connection with such well; 13 and

(d) 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, such amount shall be paid to the party or parties who bore the costs which are so refunded; and

(e) 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 party or parties in the same proportions in which they shared
 in such prior production; and

(f) No charge shall be made to the joint account for legal expenses, fees or salaries, in connection with the defense of the interest claimed by any party hereto, it being the intention of the parties hereto that each shall defend title to its interest and bear all expenses in connection therewith.

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25 2. Loss by Non-Payment or Erroneous Payment of Amount Due: If, through mistake or oversight, 26 any rental, shut-in well payment, minimum royalty or royalty payment, is not paid or is erroneously 27 paid, and as a result a lease or interest therein terminates, there shall be no monetary liability against 28 the party who failed to make such payment. Unless the party who failed to make the required payment 29 secures a new lease covering the same interest within ninety (90) days from the discovery of the fail-30 ure to make proper payment, which acquisition will not be subject to Article VIII.B., the interests of 31 the parties shall be revised on an acreage basis, effective as of the date of termination of the lease in-32 volved, and the party who failed to make proper payment will no longer be credited with an interest in 33 the Contract Area on account of ownership of the lease or interest which has terminated. In the event 34 the party who failed to make the required payment shall not have been fully reimbursed, at the time of 35 the loss, from the proceeds of the sale of oil and gas attributable to the lost interest, calculated on an 36 acreage basis, for the development and operating costs theretofore paid on account of such interest, it 37 shall be reimbursed for unrecovered actual costs theretofore paid by it (but not for its share of the 38 cost of any dry hole previously drilled or wells previously abandoned) from so much of the following 39 as is necessary to effect reimbursement:

(a) Proceeds of oil and gas, less operating expenses, theretofore accrued to the credit of the lost
 interest, on an acreage basis, up to the amount of unrecovered costs;

(b) Proceeds, less operating expenses, thereafter accrued attributable to the lost interest on an acreage basis, of that portion of oil and gas thereafter produced and marketed (excluding production from any wells thereafter drilled) which, in the absence of such lease termination, would be attributable to the lost interest on an acreage basis, up to the amount of unrecovered costs, the proceeds of said portion of the oil and gas to be contributed by the other parties in proportion to their respective interests; and

(c) Any monies, up to the amount of unrecovered costs, that may be paid by any party who is, or becomes, the owner of the interest lost, for the privilege of participating in the Contract Area or becoming a party to this agreement.

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52 3. Other Losses: All losses incurred, other than those set forth in Articles IV.B.1. and IV.B.2. 53 above, shall not be considered failure of title but shall be joint losses and shall be borne by all parties 54 in proportion to their interests. There shall be no readjustment of interests in the remaining portion of 55 the Contract Area.

ARTICLE V. OPERATOR

60 A. DESIGNATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OPERATOR:

HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY

shall be the

Operator of the Contract Area, and shall conduct and direct and have full control of all operations on the Contract Area as permitted and required by, and within the limits of, this agreement it shall conduct all such operations in a good and workmanlike manner, but it shall have no liability as Operator to the other parties for losses sustained or liabilities incurred, except such as may result from gross negligence or willful misconduct.

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1 B. Subsequent Operations:

3 1. Proposed Operations: Should any party hereto desire to drill any well on the Contract Area other than the well provided for in Article VI.A., or to rework, deepen or plug back a dry hole drilled 4 5 at the joint expense of all parties or a well jointly owned by all the parties and not then producing in paying quantities, the party desiring to drill, rework, deepen or plug back such a well shall give the 6 other parties written notice of the proposed operation, specifying the work to be performed, the loca-7 tion, proposed depth, objective formation and the estimated cost of the operation. The parties receiv-8 9 ing such a notice shall have thirty (30) days after receipt of the notice within which to notify the 10 parties wishing to do the work whether they elect to participate in the cost of the proposed operation. 11 If a drilling rig is on location, notice of proposal to rework, plug back or drill deeper may be given 12 by telephone and the response period shall be limited to forty-eight (48) hours, exclusive of Saturday, 13 Sunday or legal holidays. Failure of a party receiving such notice to reply within the period above fixed 14 shall constitute an election by that party not to participate in the cost of the proposed operation. Any notice or response given by telephone shall be promptly confirmed in writing. 15

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17 2. Operations by Less than All Parties: If any party receiving such notice as provided in Article 18 VI.B.1. or VI.E.1. elects not to participate in the proposed operation, then, in order to be entitled to 19 the benefits of this article, the party or parties giving the notice and such other parties as shall elect 20 to participate in the operation shall, within sixty (60) days after the expiration of the notice period of 21 thirty (30) days (or as promptly as possible after the expiration of the forty-eight (48) hour period 22 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. Operator shall perform all work for the account of the 23 Consenting Parties; provided, however, if no drilling rig or other equipment is on location, and if Op-24 erator is a Non-Consenting Party, the Consenting Parties shall either: (a) request Operator to perform 25 26 the work required by such proposed operation for the account of the Consenting Parties, or (b) desig-27 nate one (1) of the Consenting Parties as Operator to perform such work. Consenting Parties, when conducting operations on the Contract Area pursuant to this Article VI.B.2., shall comply with all terms 28 and conditions of this agreement. 29

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31 If less than all parties approve any proposed operation, the proposing party, immediately after the 32 expiration of the applicable notice period, shall advise the Consenting Parties of (a) the total interest of the parties approving such operation, and (b) its recommendation as to whether the Consenting Par-33 ties should proceed with the operation as proposed. Each Consenting Party, within forty-eight (48) 34 35 hours (exclusive of Saturday, Sunday or legal holidays) after receipt of such notice, shall advise the proposing party of its desire to (a) limit participation to such party's interest as shown on Exhibit "A", 36 37 or (b) carry its proportionate part of Non-Consenting Parties' interest. The proposing party, at its election, may withdraw such proposal if there is insufficient participation. and shall promptly notify 38 39 all parties of such decision.

The entire cost and risk of conducting such operations shall be borne by the Consenting Parties in 41 the proportions they have elected to bear same under the terms of the preceding paragraph. Consenting 42 43 Parties shall keep the leasehold estates 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 44 an operation results in a dry hole, the Consenting Parties shall plug and abandon the well at their sole 45 46 cost, risk and expense. If any well drilled, reworked, deepened or plugged back under the provisions of this Article results in a producer of oil and/or gas in paying quantities, the Consenting Parties shall 47 complete and equip the well to produce at their sole cost and risk, and the well shall then be turned 48 over to Operator and shall be operated by it at the expense and for the account of the Consenting Parties. 49 Upon commencement of operations for the drilling, reworking, deepening or plugging back of any such 50 well by Consenting Parties in accordance with the provisions of this Article, each Non-Consenting Party 51 52 shall be deemed to have relinquished to Consenting Parties, and the Consenting Parties shall own and be entitled to receive, in proportion to their respective interests, all of such Non-Consenting Party's 53 interest in the well and share of production therefrom until the proceeds of the sale of such share, 54 calculated at the well or market value thereof if such share is not sold (after deducting production taxes, /royalty, overriding royalty and other interests existing on the effective date hereof, payable out of 55 56 or measured by the production from such well accruing with respect to such interest until it reverts) 57 58 shall equal the total of the following:

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(a) 100% of each such Non-Consenting Party's share of the cost of any newly acquired surface 60 equipment beyond the wellhead connections (including, but not limited to, stock tanks, separators, 61 treaters, pumping equipment and piping), plus 100% of each such Non-Consenting Party's share of the 62 cost of operation of the well commencing with first production and continuing until each stori Non-63 Consenting Party's relinquished interest shall revert to it under other provisions of this Article, it being 64 65 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 be-66 67 ginning of the operation; and

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69 (b)<u>300</u>% of that portion of the costs and expenses of drilling reworking, deepening, or plugging 70 back, testing and completing, after deducting any cash contributions received under Article VIIC, and

1 300% 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.

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5 Gas production attributable to any Non - Consenting Party's relinquished interest upon such Party's 6 election, shall be sold to its purchaser, if available, under the terms of its existing gas sales con-7 tract. Such Non - Consenting Party shall direct its purchaser to remit the proceeds receivable from 8 such sale direct to the Consenting Parties until the amounts provided for in this Article are recov-9 ered from the Non - Consenting Party's relinquished interest. If such Non - Consenting Party has not 10 contracted for sale of its gas at the time such gas is available for delivery, or has not made the elec-11 tion as provided above, the Consenting Parties shall own and be entitled to receive and sell such Non-Consenting Party's share of gas as hereinabove provided during the recoupment period. 12

During the period of time Consenting Parties are entitled to receive Non-Consenting Party's share of production, or the proceeds therefrom, Consenting Parties shall be responsible for the payment of all production, severance, gathering and other taxes, and all 'royalty, overriding royalty and other burdens applicable to Non-Consenting Party's share of production.

19 In the case of any reworking, plugging back or deeper drilling operation, the Consenting Parties shall 20 be permitted to use, free of cost, all casing, tubing and other equipment in the well, but the ownership of 21 all such equipment shall remain unchanged; and upon abandonment of a well after such reworking, 22 plugging back or deeper drilling, the Consenting Parties shall account for all such equipment to the 23 owners thereof, with each party receiving its proportionate part in kind or in value, less cost of 24 salvage.

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26 Within sixty (60) days after the completion of any operation under this Article, the party con-27 ducting the operations for the Consenting Parties shall furnish each Non-Consenting Party with an in-28 ventory of the equipment in and connected to the well, and an itemized statement of the cost of drilling, 29 deepening, plugging back, testing, completing, and equipping the well for production; or, at its option, 30 the operating party, in lieu of an itemized statement of such costs of operation, may submit a detailed 31 statement of monthly billings. Each month thereafter, during the time the Consenting Parties are being 32 reimbursed as provided above, the Party conducting the operations for the Consenting Parties shall furn-33 ish the Non-Consenting Parties with an itemized statement of all costs and liabilities incurred in the 34 operation of the well, together with a statement of the quantity of oil and gas produced from it and the 35 amount of proceeds realized from the sale of the well's working interest production during the preceding month. In determining the quantity of oil and gas produced during any month, Consenting Parties 36 37 shall use industry accepted methods such as, but not limited to, metering or periodic well tests. Any 38 amount realized from the sale or other disposition of equipment newly acquired in connection with any 39 such operation which would have been owned by a Non-Consenting Party had it participated therein 40 shall be credited against the total unreturned costs of the work done and of the equipment purchased, 41 in determining when the interest of such Non-Consenting Party shall revert to it as above provided; 42 and if there is a credit balance, it shall be paid to such Non-Consenting party. 43

On the first day of the month, following that month in which H and when the Consenting Parties recover from a Non-Consenting Party's relinquished interest 44 the amounts provided for above, the relinquished interests of such Non-Consenting Party shall auto-45 46 matically revert to it, and, from and after such reversion, such Non-Consenting Party shall own the same 47 interest in such well, the material and equipment in or pertaining thereto, and the production therefrom as such Non-Consenting Party would have been entitled to had it participated in the drilling, 48 reworking, deepening or plugging back of said well. Thereafter, such Non-Consenting Party shall be 49 charged with and shall pay its proportionate part of the further costs of the operation of said well in 50 51 accordance with the terms of this agreement and the Accounting Procedure, attached hereto.

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53 Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article VI.B.2., it is agreed that without the mutual consent 54 of all parties, no wells shall be completed in or produced from a source of supply from which a well 55 located elsewhere on the Contract Area is producing, unless such well conforms to the then-existing 56 well spacing pattern for such source of supply.

The provisions of this Article shall have no application whatsoever to the drilling of the initial well described in Article VI.A. except (a) when Option 2, Article VII.D.I., has been selected, or (b) to the reworking, deepening and plugging back of such initial well, if such well is or thereafter shall prove to be a dry hole or non-commercial well, after having been drilled to the depth specified in Article VI.A.

64 C. Right to Take Production in Kind:

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Each party shall have the right to take in kind or separately dispose of its proportional knare of all oil and gas produced from the Contract Area, exclusive of production which may be used in development and producing operations and in preparing and treating oil for marketing and production unavoidably lost. Any extra expenditure incurred in the taking in kind or separate dispono by any party of its proportionate share of the production shall be borne by such party. Any

party taking its share of production in kind shall be required to pay for only its proportionate share
 of such part of Operator's surface facilities which it uses.

Each party shall execute such division orders and contracts as may be necessary for the sale of its
interest in production from the Contract Area, and, except as provided in Article VII.B., shall be entitled
to receive payment direct from the purchaser thereof for its share of all production.

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In the event any party shall fail to make the arrangements necessary to take in kind or separately 8 9 dispose of its proportionate share of the oil and gas produced from the Contract Area, Operator shall have 10 the right, subject to the revocation at will by the party owning it, but not the obligation, to purchase such oil and gas or sell it to others at any time and from time to time, for the account of the non-taking 11 12 party at the best price obtainable in the area for such production. Any such purchase or sale by Op-13 erator shall be subject always to the right of the owner of the production to exercise at any time its 14 right to take in kind, or separately dispose of, its share of all oil and gas not previously delivered to a 15 purchaser. Any purchase or sale by Operator of any other party's share of oil and gas shall be only for 16 such reasonable periods of time as are consistent with the minimum needs of the industry under the particular circumstances, but in no event for a period in excess of one (1) year. Notwithstanding the 17 18 foregoing, Operator shall not make a sale, including one into interstate commerce, of any other party's share of gas production without first giving such other party thirty (30) days notice of such intended 19 20 sale.

In the event one or more parties' separate disposition of its share of the gas causes split-stream deliveries to separate pipelines and 'or deliveries which on a day-to-day basis for any reason are not exactly equal to a party's respective proportionate share of total gas sales to be allocated to it, the balancing or accounting between the respective accounts of the parties shall be in accordance with any Gas Balancing Agreement between the parties hereto, whether such Agreement is attached as Exhibit "E", or is a separate Agreement.

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29 D. Access to Contract Area and Information:

31 Each party shall have access to the Contract Area at all reasonable times, at its sole risk to inspect 32 or observe operations, and shall have access at reasonable times to information pertaining to the de-33 velopment or operation thereof, including Operator's books and records relating thereto. Operator, upon 34 request, shall furnish each of the other parties with copies of all forms or reports filed with governmental agencies, daily drilling reports, well logs, tank tables, daily gauge and run tickets and reports 35 36 of stock on hand at the first of each month, and shall make available samples of any cores or cuttings 37 taken from any well drilled on the Contract Area. The cost of gathering and furnishing information to Non-Operator, other than that specified above, shall be charged to the Non-Operator that requests the 38 39 information.

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41 E. Abandonment of Wells:

43 1. Abandonment of Dry Holes: Except for any well drilled pursuant to Article VI.B.2., any well 44 which has been drilled under the terms of this agreement and is proposed to be completed as a dry hole shall not be plugged and abandoned without the consent of all parties. Should Operator, after diligent 45 46 effort, be unable to contact any party, or should any party fail to reply within forty-eight (48) hours (exclusive of Saturday, Sunday or legal holidays) after receipt of notice of the proposal to plug and 47 abandon such well, such party shall be deemed to have consented to the proposed abandonment. All 48 such wells shall be plugged and abandoned in accordance with applicable regulations and at the cost, 49 risk and expense of the parties who participated in the cost of drilling of such well. Any party who ob-50 jects to the plugging and abandoning such well shall have the right to take over the well and conduct 51 further operations in search of oil and/or gas subject to the provisions of Article VI.B. 52

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2. Abandonment of Wells that have Produced: Except for any well which has been drilled or re-54 worked pursuant to Article VI.B.2. hereof for which the Consenting Parties have not been fully reim-55 bursed as therein provided, any well which has been completed as a producer shall not be plugged and 56 57 abandoned without the consent of all parties. If all parties consent to such abandonment, the well shall be plugged and abandoned in accordance with applicable regulations and at the cost, risk and expense 58 59 of all the parties hereto. If, within thirty (30) days after receipt of notice of the proposed abandonment 60 of such well, 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 salvable 61 62 material and equipment, determined in accordance with the provisions of Exhibit "C", less the estimated cost of salvaging and the estimated cost of plugging and abandoning. Each abandoning party shall 63 assign to the non-abandoning parties, without warranty, express or implied, as to title or as to quantity, 64 quality, or fitness for use of the equipment and material, all of its interest in the well and related equip-65 ment, together with its interest in the leasehold estate as to, but only as to, the interval or intervals of the 66 formation or formations then open to production. If the interest of the abandoning party is or includes 67 68 an oil and gas interest, such party shall execute and deliver to the non-abandoning party of party s an oil and gas lease, limited to the interval or intervals of the formation or formations then open to produc-69 tion, for a term of one year and so long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced from the interval or interval 70

1 vals of the formation or formations covered thereby, such lease to be on the form attached as Exhibit 2 "B". The assignments or leases so limited shall encompass the "drilling unit" upon which the well is 3 located. The payments by, and the assignments or leases to, the assignees shall be in a ratio based upon 4 the relationship of their respective percentages of participation in the Contract Area to the aggregate of 5 the percentages of participation in the Contract Area of all assignees. There shall be no readjustment 6 of interest in the remaining portion of the Contract Area. 7

8 Thereafter, abandoning parties shall have no further responsibility, liability, or interest in the op-9 eration of or production from the well in the interval or intervals then open other than the royalties 10 retained in any lease made under the terms of this Article. Upon request, Operator shall continue to 11 operate the assigned well for the account of the non-abandoning parties at the rates and charges con-12 templated by this agreement, plus any additional cost and charges which may arise as the result of 13 the separate ownership of the assigned well.

ARTICLE VII. EXPENDITURES AND LIABILITY OF PARTIES

18 A. Liability of Parties:

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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 Contract Area. Accordingly, the liens granted among the parties in Article VII.B. are 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 the parties liable as partners.

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27 B. Liens and Payment Defaults:

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29 Each Non-Operator grants to Operator a lien upon its oil and gas rights in the Contract Area, and a 30 security interest in its share of oil and/or gas when extracted and its interest in all equipment, to secure payment of its share of expense, together with interest thereon at the rate provided in the Accounting 31 Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit "C". To the extent that Operator has a security interest under the 32 Uniform Commercial Code of the State, Operator shall be entitled to exercise the rights and remedies 33 of a secured party under the Code. The bringing of a suit and the obtaining of judgment by Operator 34 for the secured indebtedness shall not be deemed an election of remedies or otherwise affect the lien 35 rights or security interest as security for the payment thereof. In addition, upon default by any Non-36 37 Operator in the payment of its share of expense, Operator shall have the right, without prejudice to other rights or remedies, to collect from the purchaser the proceeds from the sale of such Non-Operator's 38 share of oil and/or gas until the amount owed by such Non-Operator, to include interest on the 39 deficiency and, if suit is brought to collect any deficiency, reasonable attorney's 40 fees, has been paid. Each purchaser shall be entitled to rely upon Operator's 41 written statement concerning the amount of any default. Operator grants a like lien 42 and security interest to the Non-Operators to secure payment of Operator's propor-tionate share of expense. 43

If any party fails or is unable to pay its share of expense within sixty (60) days after rendition of a statement therefor by Operator, the non-defaulting parties, including Operator, shall, upon request by Operator, pay the unpaid amount in the proportion that the interest of each such party bears to the interest of all such parties. Each party so paying its share of the unpaid amount shall, to obtain reimbursement thereof, be subrogated to the security rights described in the foregoing paragraph.

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50 C. Payments and Accounting:

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Except as herein otherwise specifically provided, Operator shall promptly pay and discharge expenses incurred in the development and operation of the Contract Area pursuant to this agreement and shall charge each of the parties hereto with their respective proportionate shares upon the expense basis provided in the Accounting Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit "C". Operator shall keep an accurate record of the joint account hereunder, showing expenses incurred and charges and credits made and received.

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Operator, at its election, shall have the right from time to time to demand and receive from the 59 other parties payment in advance of their respective shares of the estimated amount of the expense to 60 be incurred in operations hereunder during the next succeeding month, which right may be exercised only 61 by submission to each such party of an itemized statement of such estimated expense, togethe r with 62 an invoice for its share thereof. Each such statement and invoice for the payment in advance of esti-63 mated expense shall be submitted on or before the 20th day of the next preceding months Each party 64 shall pay to Operator its proportionate share of such estimate within thirty(30)days after such es-65 timate and invoice is received. If any party fails to pay its share of said estimate within said time, the 66 amount due shall bear interest as provided in Exhibit "C" until paid. Proper adjustment shall be 67 made monthly between advances and actual expense to the end that each party shall bear and per its 68 proportionate share of actual expenses incurred, and no more. 69 est when acthorized in working by the Avertian Association of Petroleum Landrein 70

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D. Limitation of Expenditures: 1

1. Drill or Deepen: Without the consent of all parties, no well shall be drilled or deepened, except any well drilled or deepened pursuant to the provisions of Article VI.B.2. of this Agreement, it being understood that the consent to the drilling or deepening shall include:

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X Option No. 2: All necessary expenditures for the drilling or deepening and testing of the well. When 10 such well has reached its authorized depth, and all tests have been completed, Operator shall give im-11 mediate notice to the Non-Operators who have the right to participate in the completion costs. The parties 12 receiving such notice shall have forty-eight (48) hours (exclusive of Saturday, Sunday and legal holi-13 days) in which to elect to participate in the setting of casing and the completion attempt. Such election, 14 when made, shall include consent to all necessary expenditures for the completing and equipping of such 15 well, including necessary tankage and/or surface facilities. Failure of any party receiving such notice 16 to reply within the period above fixed shall constitute an election by that party not to participate in 17 the cost of the completion attempt. If one or more, but less than all of the parties, elect to set pipe and 18 to attempt a completion, the provisions of Article VI.B.2. hereof (the phrase "reworking, deepening or 19 plugging back" as contained in Article VI.B.2. shall be deemed to include "completing") shall apply to 20 the operations thereafter conducted by less than all parties. 21

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2. Rework or Plug Back: Without the consent of all parties, no well shall be reworked or plugged 23 back except a well reworked or plugged back pursuant to the provisions of Article VI.B.2. of this agree-24 ment, it being understood that the consent to the reworking or plugging back of a well shall include 25 consent to all necessary expenditures in conducting such operations and completing and equipping of 26 27 said well, including necessary tankage and/or surface facilities.

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29 3. Other Operations: Operator shall not undertake any single project reasonably estimated to require Dollars (\$25,000.00 an expenditure in excess of Twenty-five Thousand 30 except in connection with a well, the drilling, reworking, deepening, completing, recompleting, or plug-31 ging back of which has been previously authorized by or pursuant to this agreement; provided, how-32 ever, that, in case of explosion, fire, flood or other sudden emergency, whether of the same or different 33 nature, Operator may take such steps and incur such expenses as in its opinion are required to deal with 34 35 the emergency to safeguard life and property but Operator, as promptly as possible, shall report the emergency to the other parties. If Operator prepares "Authority for Expenditures" for its own use, 36 Operator, upon request, shall furnish copies of its "Authority for Expenditures" for any single project 37 costing in excess of _____ Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$ 15,000.00 38 39

E. Royalties, Overriding Royalties and Other Payments: 40

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Each party shall pay or deliver, or cause to be paid or delivered, all royalties to the extent of 42 43 One-Eighth (1/8) _due on its share of production and shall hold the other parties free from any liability therefor. If the interest of any party in any oil and gas lease covered by this agree-44 ment is subject to any royalty, overriding royalty, production payment, or other charge over and above 45 the aforesaid royalty, such party shall assume and alone bear all such obligations and shall account 46 for or cause to be accounted for, such interest to the owners thereof. 47

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No party shall ever be responsible, on any price basis higher than the price received by such party, to any other party's lessor or royalty owner; and if any such other party's lessor or royalty owner should demand and receive settlements on a higher price basis, the party contributing such lease shall bear the royalty burden insofar as such higher price is concerned.

F. Rentals, Shut-in Well Payments and Minimum Royalties: 54

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Rentals, shut-in well payments and minimum royalties which may be required under the terms of 56 any lease shall be paid by the party or parties who subjected such lease to this agreement at its or their 57 expense. In the event two or more parties own and have contributed interests in the same lease to this 58 agreement, such parties may designate one of such parties to make said payments for and on being of all 59 such parties. Any party may request, and shall be entitled to receive, proper evidence of all such pay-60 ments. In the event of failure to make proper payment of any rental, shut-in well payment or minimum 61 royalty through mistake or oversight where such payment is required to continue the lease in force, 62 any loss which results from such non-payment shall be borne in accordance with the provisions of Article 63 64 IV.B.2.

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of any shut-in well payment shall be borne jointly by the parties hereto under the provisions of Article
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Beginning with the first calendar year after the effective date hereof, Operator shall render for ad 6 7 valorem taxation all property subject to this agreement which by law should be rendered for such taxes, and it shall pay all such taxes assessed thereon before they become delinquent. Prior to the ren-8 0 dition date, each Non-Operator shall furnish Operator information as to burdens (to include, but not be 10 limited to, royalties, overriding royalties and production payments) on leases and oil and gas interests contributed by such Non-Operator. If the assessed valuation of any leasehold estate is reduced by reason of its 11 12 being subject to outstanding excess royalties, overriding royalties or production payments, the reduction in 13 ad valorem taxes resulting therefrom shall inure to the benefit of the owner or owners of such leasehold estate, and Operator shall adjust the charge to such owner or owners so as to reflect the benefit of such 14 15 reduction. Operator shall bill other parties for their proportionate share of all tax payments in the manner provided in Exhibit "C". 16

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If Operator considers any tax assessment improper, Operator may, at its discretion, protest within the time and manner prescribed by law, and prosecute the protest to a final determination, unless all parties agree to abandon the protest prior to final determination. During the pendency of administrative or judicial proceedings, Operator may elect to pay, under protest, all such taxes and any interest and penalty. When any such protested assessment shall have been finally determined, Operator shall pay the tax for the joint account, together with any interest and penalty accrued, and the total cost shall then be assessed against the parties, and be paid by them, as provided in Exhibit "C".

Each party shall pay or cause to be paid all production, severance, gathering and other taxes imposed upon or with respect to the production or handling of such party's share of oil and/or gas produced under the terms of this agreement.

30 H. Insurance:

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32 At all times while operations are conducted hereunder, Operator shall comply with the Workmen's 33 Compensation Law of the State where the operations are being conducted; provided, however, that Op-34 erator may be a self-insurer for liability under said compensation laws in which event the only charge 35 that shall be made to the joint account shall be an amount equivalent to the premium which would have 36 been paid had such insurance been obtained. Operator shall also carry or provide insurance for the 37 benefit of the joint account of the parties as outlined in Exhibit "D", attached to and made a part hereof. 38 Operator shall require all contractors engaged in work on or for the Contract Area to comply with the 39 Workmen's Compensation Law of the State where the operations are being conducted and to maintain 40 such other insurance as Operator may require.

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42 In the event Automobile Public Liability Insurance is specified in said Exhibit "D", or subsequently 43 receives the approval of the parties, no direct charge shall be made by Operator for premiums paid for 44 such insurance for Operator's fully owned automotive equipment.

ARTICLE VIII. ACQUISITION, MAINTENANCE OR TRANSFER OF INTEREST

49 A. Surrender of Leases:

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The leases covered by this agreement, insofar as they embrace acreage in the Contract Area, shall not be surrendered in whole or in part unless all parties consent thereto.

However, should any party desire to surrender its interest in any lease or in any portion thereof, and 54 other parties do not agree or consent thereto, the party desiring to surrender shall assign, without express 55 or implied warranty of title, all of its interest in such lease, or portion thereof, and any well, material and 56 equipment which may be located thereon and any rights in production thereafter secured, to the parties 57 not desiring to surrender it. If the interest of the assigning party includes an oil and gas interest, the as-58 signing party shall execute and deliver to the party or parties not desiring to surrender an oil and gas 59 lease covering such oil and gas interest for a term of one year and so long thereafter as oil and or gas 60 is produced from the land covered thereby, such lease to be on the form attached hereto as Exhibit "B". 61 Upon such assignment, the assigning party shall be relieved from all obligations thereafter accruing, 62 but not theretofore accrued, with respect to the acreage assigned and the operation of any well thereon, 63 and the assigning party shall have no further interest in the lease assigned and its equipment and pro-64 duction other than the royalties retained in any lease made under the terms of this Article, The parties 65 assignee shall pay to the party assignor the reasonable salvage value of the latter's interest in any wells 66 and equipment on the assigned acreage. The value of all material shall be determined in accordance 67 with the provisions of Exhibit "C", less the estimated cost of salvaging and the estimated cost of plug-68 ging and abandoning. If the assignment is in favor of more than one party, the assigned interest shall 69 70

1 be shared by the parties assignee in the proportions that the interest of each bears to the interest of all 2 parties assignee.

Any assignment or surrender made under this provision shall not reduce or change the assignor's or surrendering parties' interest, as it was immediately before the assignment, in the balance of the Contract Area; and the acreage assigned or surrendered, and subsequent operations thereon, shall not thereafter be subject to the terms and provisions of this agreement.

9 B. Renewal or Extension of Leases:

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If any party secures a renewal of any oil and gas lease subject to this Agreement, all other parties shall be notified promptly, and shall have the right for a period of thirty (30) days following receipt of such notice in which to elect to participate in the ownership of the renewal lease, insofar as such lease affects lands within the Contract Area, by paying to the party who acquired it their several proper proportionate shares of the acquisition cost allocated to that part of such lease within the Contract Area, which shall be in proportion to the interests held at that time by the parties in the Contract Area.

If some, but less than all, of the parties elect to participate in the purchase of a renewal lease, it shall be owned by the parties who elect to participate therein, in a ratio based upon the relationship of their respective percentage of participation in the Contract Area to the aggregate of the percentages of participation in the Contract Area of all parties participating in the purchase of such renewal lease. Any renewal lease in which less than all parties elect to participate shall not be subject to this agreement.

Each party who participates in the purchase of a renewal lease shall be given an assignment, without warranty of title, of its proportionate interest therein by acquiring party.

The provisions of this Article shall apply to renewal leases whether they are for the entire interest covered by the expiring lease or cover only a portion of its area or an interest therein. Any renewal lease taken before the expiration of its predecessor lease, or taken or contracted for within six (6) months after the expiration of the existing lease shall be subject to this provision; but any lease taken or contracted for more than six (6) months after the expiration of an existing lease shall not be deemed a renewal lease and shall not be subject to the provisions of this agreement.

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34 The provisions in this Article shall apply also and in like manner to extensions of oil and gas 35 leases. 36

37 C. Acreage or Cash Contributions:

D. Subsequently Created Interest:

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39 While this agreement is in force, if any party contracts for a contribution of cash toward the drilling 40 of a well or any other operation on the Contract Area, such contribution shall be paid to the party who 41 conducted the drilling or other operation and shall be applied by it against the cost of such drilling or 42 other operation. If the contribution be in the form of acreage, the party to whom the contribution is 43 made shall promptly tender an assignment of the acreage, without warranty of title, to the Drilling 44 Parties in the proportions said Drilling Parties shared the cost of drilling the well. If all parties hereto 45 are Drilling Parties and accept such tender, such acreage shall become a part of the Contract Area and 46 be governed by the provisions of this agreement. If less than all parties hereto are Drilling Parties and 47 accept such tender, such acreage shall not become a part of the Contract Area. Each party shall prompt-48 ly notify all other parties of all acreage or money contributions it may obtain in support of any well or 49 any other operation on the Contract Area.

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51 If any party contracts for any consideration relating to disposition of such party's share of substances 52 produced hereunder, such consideration shall not be deemed a contribution as contemplated in this 53 Article VIII.C.

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57 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article VIII.E. and VIII.G., if any party hereto shall, subsequent 58 to execution of this agreement, create an overriding royalty, production payment, or net proceeds inter-59 est, which such interests are hereinafter referred to as "subsequently created interest", such subsequently 60 created interest shall be specifically made subject to all of the terms and provisions of this agreement, as 61 follows: 62

1. If non-consent operations are conducted pursuant to any provision of this agreement, and the party conducting such operations becomes entitled to receive the production attributable to the interest out of which the subsequently created interest is derived, such party shall receive same free and clear of such subsequently created interest. The party creating same shall bear and pay all such subsequently created interest. The party creating same shall bear and pay all such subsequently created interests and shall indemnify and hold the other parties hereto free and harmless from any and all liability resulting therefrom.

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2. If the owner of the interest from which the subsequently created interest is derived (1) fails to 1 2 pay, when due, its share of expenses chargeable hereunder, or (2) elects to abandon a well under pro-3 visions of Article VI.E. hereof, or (3) elects to surrender a lease under provisions of Article VIII.A. hereof, the subsequently created interest shall be chargeable with the pro rata portion of all expenses 4 5 hereunder in the same manner as if such interest were a working interest. For purposes of collecting such chargeable expenses, the party or parties who receive assignments as a result of (2) or (3) above 6 7 shall have the right to enforce all provisions of Article VII.B. hereof against such subsequently created 8 interest.

E. Maintenance of Uniform Interest: 10

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12 For the purpose of maintaining uniformity of ownership in the oil and gas leasehold interests 13 covered by this agreement, and notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary, no party shall 14 sell, encumber, transfer or make other disposition of its interest in the leases embraced within the Con-15 tract Area and in wells, equipment and production unless such disposition covers either:

1. the entire interest of the party in all leases and equipment and production; or

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2. an equal undivided interest in all leases and equipment and production in the Contract Area.

21 Every such sale, encumbrance, transfer or other disposition made by any party shall be made ex-22 pressly subject to this agreement, and shall be made without prejudice to the right of the other parties. 23

24 If, at any time the interest of any party is divided among and owned by four or more co-owners, 25 Operator, at its discretion, may 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 26 27 share of the joint expenses, and to deal generally with, and with power to bind, the co-owners of such party's interests within the scope of the operations embraced in this agreement; however, all such 28 29 co-owners shall have the right to enter into and execute all contracts or agreements for the disposition 30 of their respective shares of the oil and gas produced from the Contract Area and they shall have the 31 right to receive, separately, payment of the sale proceeds hereof.

33 F. Waiver of Right to Partition:

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If permitted by the laws of the state or states in which the property covered hereby is located, each party hereto owning an undivided interest in the Contract Area waives any and all rights it may have to partition and have set aside to it in severalty its undivided interest therein.

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41 Should any party desire to sell all or any part of its interests under this agreement, or its rights and interests in the Contrast Area, it shall promptly give written notice to the other parties, with full infor-42 mation concerning its proposed sale, which shall include the name and address of the prospective pur-43 chaser (who must be ready, willing and able to purchase), the purchase price, and all other terms of 44 the offer. The other parties shall then have an optional prior right, for a period of ten (10) days after 45 receipt of the notice, to purchase on the same torms and conditions the interest which the other party 46 proposes to sell; and, if this optional right is exercised, the surchasing parties shall share the pur-47 chased interest in the proportions that the interest of each bears to the total interest of all purchasing 48 49 parties. However, there shall be no preferential right to purchase in those cases where any party wishes to mortgage its interests, or to dispose of its interests by merger, reorganization, consolidation, or sale 50 51 of all or substantially all of its assets to a subsidiary or parent company or to a subsidiary of a parent 52 which any one party owns a majority of the to any company in

ARTICLE IX. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE ELECTION

This agreement is not intended to create, and shall not be construed to create, a relationship of part-57 58 nership or an association for profit between or among the parties hereto. Notwithstanding any provisions herein that the rights and liabilities hereunder are several and not joint or collective, or that this 59 agreement and operations hereunder shall not constitute a partnership, if, for Federal income tax pur-60 61 poses, this agreement and the operations hereunder are regarded as a partnership, each party hereby 62 affected elects to be excluded from the application of all of the provisions of Subchapter "K", Chapter 63 1, Subtitle "A", of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as permitted and authorized by Section 761 of 64 the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Operator is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of each party hereby affected such evidence of this election as may be required by the Secretary 65 of the Treasury of the United States or the Federal Internal Revenue Service, including specifically, but 66 67 not by way of limitation, all of the returns, statements, and the data required by Federal Regula-68 tions 1.761. Should there be any requirement that each party hereby affected give further evidence of 69 this election, each such party shall execute such documents and furnish such other evidence as may be 70 required by the Federal Internal Revenue Service or as may be necessary to evidence this election. No

such party shall give any notices or take any other action inconsistent with the election made hereby. 1 If any present or future income tax laws of the state or states in which the Contract Area is located or 2 any future income tax laws of the United States contain provisions similar to those in Subchapter "K", 3 Chapter 1, Subtitle "A", of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, under which an election similar to that 4 provided by Section 761 of the Code is permitted, each party hereby affected shall make such election as 5 may be permitted or required by such laws. In making the foregoing election, each such party states that 6 the income derived by such party from Operations hereunder can be adequately determined without the 7 8 computation of partnership taxable income.

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ARTICLE X. CLAIMS AND LAWSUITS

Operator may settle any single damage claim or suit arising from operations hereunder if the ex-13 14 penditure does not exceed _ Five Thousand Dollars 15 (\$ 5,000.00 _) and if the payment is in complete settlement of such claim or suit. If the amount required for settlement exceeds the above amount, the parties hereto shall assume and take over the 16 17 further handling of the claim or suit, unless such authority is delegated to Operator. All costs and ex-18 pense of handling, settling, or otherwise discharging such claim or suit shall be at the joint expense 19 of the parties. If a claim is made against any party or if any party is sued on account of any matter 20 arising from operations hereunder over which such individual has no control because of the rights given 21 Operator by this agreement, the party shall immediately notify Operator, and the claim or suit shall 22 be treated as any other claim or suit involving operations hereunder.

ARTICLE XI. FORCE MAJEURE

27 If any party is rendered unable, wholly or in part, by force majeure to carry out its obligations 28 under this agreement, other than the obligation to make money payments, that party shall give to all 29 other parties prompt written notice of the force majeure with reasonably full particulars concerning it; 30 thereupon, the obligations of the party giving the notice, so far as they are affected by the force majeure, 31 shall be suspended during, but no longer than, the continuance of the force majeure. The affected party 32 shall use all reasonable diligence to remove the force majeure situation as quickly as practicable. 33

34 The requirement that any force majeure shall be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not 35 require the settlement of strikes, lockouts, or other labor difficulty by the party involved, contrary to its 36 wishes; how all such difficulties shall be handled shall be entirely within the discretion of the party 37 concerned.

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39 The term "force majeure", as here employed, shall mean an act of God, strike, lockout, or other 40 industrial disturbance, act of the public enemy, war, blockade, public riot, lightning, fire, storm, flood, 41 explosion, governmental action, governmental delay, restraint or inaction, unavailability of equipment, 42and any other cause, whether of the kind specifically enumerated above or otherwise, which is not 43 reasonably within the control of the party claiming suspension. 44

ARTICLE XII. NOTICES

All notices authorized or required between the parties, and required by any of the provisions of 48 this agreement, unless otherwise specifically provided, shall be given in writing by United States mail 49 or Western Union telegram, postage or charges prepaid, or by teletype, and addressed to the party to 50 whom the notice is given at the addresses listed on Exhibit "A". The originating notice given under any 51 provision hereof shall be deemed given only when received by the party to whom such notice is directed, 52 and the time for such party to give any notice in response thereto shall run from the date the originat-53 ing notice is received. The second or any responsive notice shall be deemed given when deposited in 54 the United States mail or with the Western Union Telegraph Company, with postage or charges prepaid, 55 or when sent by teletype. Each party shall have the right to change its address at any time, and from 56 time to time, by giving written notice hereof to all other parties. 57

ARTICLE XIII. TERM OF AGREEMENT

61 This agreement shall remain in full force and effect as to the oil and gas leases and/or oil and gas in-62 terests subjected hereto for the period of time selected below; provided, however, no party hereto shall 63 ever be construed as having any right, title or interest in or to any lease, or oil and gas interest con-64 tributed by any other party beyond the term of this agreement. 65 66 67

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X Option No. 2: In the event the well described in Article VI.A., or any subsequent well drilled 1 under any provision of this agreement, results in production of oil and/or gas in paying quantities, this 2 agreement shall continue in force so long as any such well or wells produce, or are capable of produc-3 tion, and for an additional period of ______ days from cessation of all production; provided, however, 4 if, prior to the expiration of such additional period, one or more of the parties hereto are engaged in 5 6 drilling or reworking a well or wells hereunder, this agreement shall continue in force until such operations have been completed and if production results therefrom, this agreement shall continue in 7 force as provided herein. In the event the well described in Article VI.A., or any subsequent well 8 drilled hereunder, results in a dry hole, and no other well is producing, or capable of producing oil 9 10 and/or gas from the Contract Area, this agreement shall terminate unless drilling or reworking operations are commenced within 180 days from the date of abandonment of said well. 11

If is agreed, however, that the termination of this agreement shall not relieve any party hereto from any liability which has accrued or attached prior to the date of such termination.

ARTICLE XIV. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

19 A. Laws, Regulations and Orders:

This agreement shall be subject to the conservation laws of the state in which the committed 21 22 acreage is located, to the valid rules, regulations, and orders of any duly constituted regulatory body of said state; and to all other applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and 23 orders However, non-operators agree to release operator from any and all losses, 24 damages, injuries, claims and causes of action arising out of incident to or 25 resulting directly or indirectly from operator's interpretation or application. 26 of rules, rulings, regulations or orders of the Department of Energy, Federal 27 Energy Regulatory Commission or predecessor agencies to the extent operator's 28 interpretation or application of such rules, rulings, regulations or orders were 20 made in good faith. Non-operators further agree to reimburse operator for their 30 proportionate share of any amounts operator may be required to refund, rebate 31 or pay as a result of an incorrect interpretation or application of the above 32 noted rules, rulings, regulations or orders, together with the non-operators' 33 proportionate part of interest and penalties owing by operator as a result of 34 such incorrect interpretation or application of such rules, regulations or orders. 35

36 37 B. GOVERNING LAW:

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The essential validity of this agreement and all matters pertaining thereto, including, but not limited to, matters of performance, breach, remedies, procedures, rights, duties and interpretation or construction, shall be governed and determined by the law of the state in which the Contract Area is located. If the Contract Area is in two or more states, the law of the state where most of the land in the Contract Area is located shall govern.

ARTICLE XV

OTHER PROVISIONS

0 A. SUBSTITUTE WELL:

except the Substitute Well.

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51 1. If, in the drilling of the Initial Well, Operator loses the hole or encounters 52 mechanical difficulties rendering it impracticable, in the opinion of Operator, to 53 drill the well to the Objective Depth, then and in any of such events on or before 54 sixty (60) days after completion of the Initial Well, Operator shall have the 55 option to commence the actual drilling of another well (Substitute Well) at a 56 lawful location of Operator's selection on the Unit Area, and prosecute the drilling 57 of said well with due diligence and in a good and workmanlike manner to the Objective 58 Depth. For all purposes of this agreement, the drilling of the Substitute Well 59 shall be considered as the drilling of the Initial Well. 60 61 2. Any provision herein concerning the Initial Well shall also apply to the Sub-62 stitute Well, and any provision herein excepting the Initial Well shall also 63

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ARTICLE XVI. MISCELLANEOUS

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6 7 8	This instrument may be executed in any number an original for all purposes.	r of counterparts, each of wh	nich shall be considered
9 10 11	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this agreement shall b 19_81	e effective as of15thda	y ofOctober,
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35 36	Secretary		President
37 38 39	ATTEST:	SPIRAL, INC.	
40		By:	
42 43	Secretary		President
44 45	ATTEST:	FRED G. YATES, INC.	
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48 49 50	Secretary	-0-0	President
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Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Structure Map (Top Wolfcamp Subsea)



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Area Horizontal Development

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Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Stratigraphic Cross Section A - A'



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Isopach Map (Wolfcamp)





Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Upper Wolfcamp Horizontal Production

Matador Exhibit 12





Wolfcamp Core- to Pore-scale Heterogeneity

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Matador has invested significant capital to de-risk the Airstrip (and similar) prospects by acquiring proprietary 3D seismic, well logs, core, and geochemical data in the Airstrip area.

Geologic risk is still significant.



Wolfcamp Slope Complexity: Victorio Peak, a Seismic-scale Outcrop Analog for Airstrip

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Deep-water slope settings exhibit significant geologic complexity, often with rapid lateral lithology changes. As such, deepwater prospects always have some degree of risk.



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Geologic Risk

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- Is Geologic Risk as simple as Presence or Absence of Formation? NO
 - -Does Geologic Risk exist for this well? YES
- Chance of Geologic Success (P_g) ~25%



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ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

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May 9, 2016 Airstrip State Com 31-18S-35E RN 201H WELL NAME: FIELD: Wolfcamp LOCATION: MD/TVD: 15700'/10780' COUNTY/STATE: Lea LATERAL LENGTH: 4,300 MRC WI: GEOLOGIC TARGET: Wolfcamp A Drill and complete a horizontal Wolfcamp A well with 21 stages. Install AL, build TB, and construct PL to gas connect. REMARKS:

		DRILLING	COMPLETION	PRODUCTION		TOTAL
INTANGIBLE COST	rs	COSTS	COSTS	COSTS	FACILITY COSTS	COSTS
Land / Legal / Regulatory	s_	95,000	\$	\$	\$	\$ 95,000
Location, Surveys & Damages	_	111,500	17,500	5,000		134,000
Drilling		707,000				707,000
Cementing & Float Equip		205,000				205,000
Logging / Formation Evaluation	_	-	3,850			3,850
Mud Logging	-	32,500				32,500
Mud & Chemicals	-	34,720	24.000			34,720
Mud / Wastewater Disposal		120,000	24,000			155 000
Emight / Transportation	-	18,000	16 500			34 500
Rig Supervision / Engineering	-	95 200	52 300	2 400	30.000	179 900
Drill Bits	-	97,000	02,000	2,400	50,000	97 000
Fuel & Power	-	70,000				70,000
Water	-	42,500	530.000			572,500
Drig & Completion Overhead	-	14,000	7,500			21,500
Plugging & Abandonment						
Directional Drilling, Surveys		185,000				185,000
Completion Unit, Swab, CTU	-		60,000	12,000		72,000
Perforating, Wireline, Slickline			66,000			66,000
High Pressure Pump Truck			33,000	10,500		43,500
Stimulation			945,000			945,000
Stimulation Flowback & Disp		*	45,500	6,000		51,500
Insurance		27,000				27,000
Labor		124,000	15,500	6,000		145,500
Rental - Surface Equipment		101,200	112,020	450	6,000	219,670
Rental - Downhole Equipment		45,000	38,000			83,000
Rental - Living Quarters	_	60,875	26,950	150	1,000	88,975
Contingency	-	234,050	199,362	2,600	3,700	439,712
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Drilling Liner	-	293.400				293.400
Production Casing	-	229,875				229.875
Production Liner	-	-				-
Tubing	-			52,500		52,500
Wellhead	-	60,000		40,000		100,000
Packers, Liner Hangers			36,000			36,000
Tanks					120,000	120,000
Production Vessels				50,000	45,000	95,000
Flow Lines				40,000		40,000
Rod string		•				
Artificial Lift Equipment	_			53,000		53,000
Compressor	_			-		
Installation Costs				30,000	90,000	120,000
Surface Pumps	-			5,000	100.000	5,000
Non-controllable Surface	-				120,000	120,000
Non-controllable Downhole	-					
Management & Mater Installation	-			20.000	10.000	20.000
Gas Conditioning / Debudration				20,000	19,000	38,000
Interconnecting Excility Dining	-					
Gathering / Bulk Lines	-				40,000	40.000
Valves, Dumps, Controllers	-				40,000	40,000
Tank / Facility Containment	-			-	40,000	40.000
Flare Stack	-				20,000	20.000
Electrical / Grounding	-			7,500	10,000	17,500
Communications / SCADA	-			-		
Instrumentation / Safety	-			10,000	25,000	35,000
T	OTAL TANGIBLES >	760,100	36,000	308,000	529,000	1,633,100
	TOTAL COSTS >	3,334,645	2,228,982	353,100	569,700	6,486,427

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Drilling Engineer:	Patrick Walsh	Team Lead - WTX/NM		
Completions Engineer:	Matt Bell	TG		
Production Engineer:	Kenneth Dodson			
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Reasonable Well Costs Include the Cost of Equipping a Well for Testing Production

- 1. "Completing" a well properly *includes* the cost to equip it for production.
 - Production tree
 - Production tubing
 - Tank battery size
 - Pipeline connection
 - Downhole artificial lift equipment (downhole pump)
 - Surface production equipment
- 2. Equipping a well takes place before the well produces.
- 3. Therefore, reasonable well costs include the cost of equipping a well for testing production.



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Airstrip State 201H Completion



Wellbore Schematic

#201H GL RK	ELEV : 3953' B ELEV : 3981'	SURFA	CE LOCATION: 150' FSL	& 330' FWL		BOTTOM HOLE	330' FNL & 710' FWL	
Formation Tops (TVD)	Mud	Logs	CASING DIAGRAM	Depth	Hole	Casing & Cement Details 20" Conductor @ ± 120'	Stores -	
Red Beds @ 800 Rustler Anhydrite @ 1900'	9 8.4-8.6 PPG FW	•N/A		1930	17.5"	Surf. Csg Cmt: Lead: Circulate to surfact Tail: 20% critical (100% excess) 13-3/8", 54.5#, J-55, BTC	e	
Grayburg @ 5280' Cherry Canyon est. @ 5970'	10.0 PPG saturated brine	•N/A		3900'	12-1/4"	Int. Csg Cmt: Lead: Circulate to surface Tail: 20% critical (100% excess) 9-5/8°, 40#, J-55, BTC		
Bone Springs LS @ 7740' 1* BS sd @ 9350' 2 nd BS sd @ 9870' 3 rd BS sd @ 10,480'	8.5-9.3 PPG cut brine	 Directional tools for up hole directional work Drill 8-3/4" hole to +/- 75° in the curve Mud Logs entire interval 			8-3/4*	Int 2 Csg Cmt: Top of Lead: 2500' Top of Tail: 9500' (35% excess) 7*, 29#, P-110, BTC		
		KOP = 10,224'		10,97	4'	TD @ 15,379MD / 10,810'TVD Lateral Inclination = 90.0° VS = 4825' Az = 3.97°		- Extra casir strin
Wolfcamp target @ 10,810' Prepared By: AB	12.5-13.0 PPG OBM	Directional tools for direction control Mud Logs entire interval	and the second s	15,375	6-1/8"	Prod. Csg Cmt: Top of Tail: 9,500' 4.5", 13.5#, P-110_TXP (10% excess)		- Pote for high pres

Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Area Wolfcamp Lateral Casing Design





Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Operational Risk

Operational Risk Factors	Risk Profile			
	Low	Med	High	
Drilling Operations		-		
Well control	Low			
Lost circulation		High		
Packoff	Medi	um		
Differential sticking	Medi	um		
Geosteering in landing target	Medi	um		
Severe dogleg issues		High		
Faulted zone	Medi	um		
Parted drill-string / bottom-hole assembly	Medi	um		
Stuck drill pipe or casing	Medi	um		
Collapsed casing	Medi	um		
Pre-setup cement	Low	-		
H ₂ S	Low	-		
Completion Operations (Stimulation and Drillout)				
Well control	Low			
Screenout	Medi	um		
Stuck pipe during drillout		High		
Plugs not dissolving	Medi	um		
Stuck perforation guns	Low			
Perforation guns misfire	Low			
Successful proppant placement	Medi	um		
Production Operations (Running production equipment)				
Well control	Low			
Stuck tubing	Medi	um		
Parted tubing	Medi	um —		
Preset packer	Low			
Contaminants: H ₂ S, CO ₂	Low			
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Chance of Operational Success (P_o) ~75%



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Reservoir Risk

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- This well classifies only as Contingent Resources and not Reserves (SEC)
- Chance of Reservoir Success (P_r) ~50%











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Note: A typographical error in this document was discovered and corrected on 7 January 2008. On Page 38 in the entry for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Project, the text previously read "LNG is about 1/164 the volume of natural gas..." The corrected statement is "LNG is about 1/614 the volume of natural gas..."

Petroleum Resources Management System

Preamble

Petroleum resources are the estimated quantities of hydrocarbons naturally occurring on or within the Earth's crust. Resource assessments estimate total quantities in known and yet-to-be discovered accumulations; resources evaluations are focused on those quantities that can potentially be recovered and marketed by commercial projects. A petroleum resources management system provides a consistent approach to estimating petroleum quantities, evaluating development projects, and presenting results within a comprehensive classification framework.

International efforts to standardize the definitions of petroleum resources and how they are estimated began in the 1930s. Early guidance focused on Proved Reserves. Building on work initiated by the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers (SPEE), SPE published definitions for all Reserves categories in 1987. In the same year, the World Petroleum Council (WPC, then known as the World Petroleum Congress), working independently, published Reserves definitions for Reserves that could be used worldwide. In 2000, the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), SPE, and WPC jointly developed a classification system for all petroleum resources. This was followed by additional supporting documents: supplemental application evaluation guidelines (2001) and a glossary of terms utilized in resources definitions (2005). SPE also published standards for estimating and auditing reserves information (revised 2007).

These definitions and the related classification system are now in common use internationally within the petroleum industry. They provide a measure of comparability and reduce the subjective nature of resources estimation. However, the technologies employed in petroleum exploration, development, production, and processing continue to evolve and improve. The SPE Oil and Gas Reserves Committee works closely with other organizations to maintain the definitions and issues periodic revisions to keep current with evolving technologies and changing commercial opportunities.

This document consolidates, builds on, and replaces guidance previously contained in the 1997 Petroleum Reserves Definitions, the 2000 Petroleum Resources Classification and Definitions publications, and the 2001 "Guidelines for the Evaluation of Petroleum Reserves and Resources"; the latter document remains a valuable source of more detailed background information, and specific chapters are referenced herein. Appendix A is a consolidated glossary of terms used in resources evaluations and replaces those published in 2005.

These definitions and guidelines are designed to provide a common reference for the international petroleum industry, including national reporting and regulatory disclosure agencies, and to support petroleum project and portfolio management requirements. They are intended to improve clarity in global communications regarding petroleum resources. It is expected that this document will be supplemented with industry education programs and application guides addressing their implementation in a wide spectrum of technical and/or commercial settings.

It is understood that these definitions and guidelines allow flexibility for users and agencies to tailor application for their particular needs; however, any modifications to the guidance contained herein should be clearly identified. The definitions and guidelines contained in this document must not be construed as modifying the interpretation or application of any existing regulatory reporting requirements.

This SPE/WPC/AAPG/SPEE Petroleum Resources Management System document, including its Appendix, may be referred to by the abbreviated term "SPE-PRMS" with the caveat that the full title, including clear recognition of the co-sponsoring organizations, has been initially stated.

1.0 Basic Principles and Definitions

The estimation of petroleum resource quantities involves the interpretation of volumes and values that have an inherent degree of uncertainty. These quantities are associated with development projects at various stages of design and implementation. Use of a consistent classification system enhances comparisons between projects, groups of projects, and total company portfolios according to forecast production profiles and recoveries. Such a system must consider both technical and commercial factors that impact the project's economic feasibility, its productive life, and its related cash flows.

1.1 Petroleum Resources Classification Framework

Petroleum is defined as a naturally occurring mixture consisting of hydrocarbons in the gaseous, liquid, or solid phase. Petroleum may also contain non-hydrocarbons, common examples of which are carbon dioxide, nitrogen, hydrogen sulfide and sulfur. In rare cases, non-hydrocarbon content could be greater than 50%.

The term "resources" as used herein is intended to encompass all quantities of petroleum naturally occurring on or within the Earth's crust, discovered and undiscovered (recoverable and unrecoverable), plus those quantities already produced. Further, it includes all types of petroleum whether currently considered "conventional" or "unconventional."

Figure 1-1 is a graphical representation of the SPE/WPC/AAPG/SPEE resources classification system. The system defines the major recoverable resources classes: Production, Reserves, Contingent Resources, and Prospective Resources, as well as Unrecoverable petroleum.



Figure 1-1: Resources Classification Framework.

The "Range of Uncertainty" reflects a range of estimated quantities potentially recoverable from an accumulation by a project, while the vertical axis represents the "Chance of Commerciality, that is, the chance that the project that will be developed and reach commercial producing status. The following definitions apply to the major subdivisions within the resources classification:

TOTAL PETROLEUM INITIALLY-IN-PLACE is that quantity of petroleum that is estimated to exist originally in naturally occurring accumulations. It includes that quantity of petroleum that is estimated, as of a given date, to be contained in known accumulations prior to production plus those estimated quantities in accumulations yet to be discovered (equivalent to "total resources").

DISCOVERED PETROLEUM INITIALLY-IN-PLACE is that quantity of petroleum that is estimated, as of a given date, to be contained in known accumulations prior to production.

PRODUCTION is the cumulative quantity of petroleum that has been recovered at a given date. While all recoverable resources are estimated and production is measured in terms of the sales product specifications, raw production (sales plus non-sales) quantities are also measured and required to support engineering analyses based on reservoir voidage (see Production Measurement, section 3.2).

Multiple development projects may be applied to each known accumulation, and each project will recover an estimated portion of the initially-in-place quantities. The projects shall be subdivided into Commercial and Sub-Commercial, with the estimated recoverable quantities being classified as Reserves and Contingent Resources respectively, as defined below.

RESERVES are those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given date forward under defined conditions. Reserves must further satisfy four criteria: they must be discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining (as of the evaluation date) based on the development project(s) applied. Reserves are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be sub-classified based on project maturity and/or characterized by development and production status.

CONTINGENT RESOURCES are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations, but the applied project(s) are not yet considered mature enough for commercial development due to one or more contingencies. Contingent Resources may include, for example, projects for which there are currently no viable markets, or where commercial recovery is dependent on technology under development, or where evaluation of the accumulation is insufficient to clearly assess commerciality. Contingent Resources are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be subclassified based on project maturity and/or characterized by their economic status.

UNDISCOVERED PETROLEUM INITIALLY-IN-PLACE is that quantity of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be contained within accumulations yet to be discovered.

PROSPECTIVE RESOURCES are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations by application of future development projects. Prospective Resources have both an associated chance of discovery and a chance of development. Prospective Resources are further subdivided in accordance with the level of certainty associated with recoverable estimates assuming their discovery and development and may be sub-classified based on project maturity.

UNRECOVERABLE is that portion of Discovered or Undiscovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place quantities which is estimated, as of a given date, not to be recoverable by future development projects. A portion of these quantities may become recoverable in the future as commercial circumstances change or technological developments occur; the remaining portion may never be recovered due to physical/chemical constraints represented by subsurface interaction of fluids and reservoir rocks. Estimated Ultimate Recovery (EUR) is not a resources category, but a term that may be applied to any accumulation or group of accumulations (discovered or undiscovered) to define those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable under defined technical and commercial conditions plus those quantities already produced (total of recoverable resources).

In specialized areas, such as basin potential studies, alternative terminology has been used; the total resources may be referred to as Total Resource Base or Hydrocarbon Endowment. Total recoverable or EUR may be termed Basin Potential. The sum of Reserves, Contingent Resources, and Prospective Resources may be referred to as "remaining recoverable resources." When such terms are used, it is important that each classification component of the summation also be provided. Moreover, these quantities should not be aggregated without due consideration of the varying degrees of technical and commercial risk involved with their classification.

1.2 Project-Based Resources Evaluations

The resources evaluation process consists of identifying a recovery project, or projects, associated with a petroleum accumulation(s), estimating the quantities of Petroleum Initially-in-Place, estimating that portion of those in-place quantities that can be recovered by each project, and classifying the project(s) based on its maturity status or chance of commerciality.

This concept of a project-based classification system is further clarified by examining the primary data sources contributing to an evaluation of net recoverable resources (see Figure 1-2) that may be described as follows:



Figure 1-2: Resources Evaluation Data Sources.

- The Reservoir (accumulation): Key attributes include the types and quantities of Petroleum Initially-in-Place and the fluid and rock properties that affect petroleum recovery.
- The Project: Each project applied to a specific reservoir development generates a unique production and cash flow schedule. The time integration of these schedules taken to the project's technical, economic, or contractual limit defines the estimated recoverable resources and associated future net cash flow projections for each project. The ratio of EUR to Total Initially-in-Place quantities defines the ultimate recovery efficiency for the development project(s). A project may be defined at various levels and stages of maturity; it may include one or many wells and associated production and processing facilities. One project may develop many reservoirs, or many projects may be applied to one reservoir.
- The Property (lease or license area): Each property may have unique associated contractual
 rights and obligations including the fiscal terms. Such information allows definition of each
 participant's share of produced quantities (entitlement) and share of investments, expenses,
 and revenues for each recovery project and the reservoir to which it is applied. One property
 may encompass many reservoirs, or one reservoir may span several different properties. A
 property may contain both discovered and undiscovered accumulations.

In context of this data relationship, "project" is the primary element considered in this resources classification, and net recoverable resources are the incremental quantities derived from each project. Project represents the link between the petroleum accumulation and the decision-making process. A project may, for example, constitute the development of a single reservoir or field, or an incremental development for a producing field, or the integrated development of several fields and associated facilities with a common ownership. In general, an individual project will represent the level at which a decision is made whether or not to proceed (i.e., spend more money) and there should be an associated range of estimated recoverable quantities for that project.

An accumulation or potential accumulation of petroleum may be subject to several separate and distinct projects that are at different stages of exploration or development. Thus, an accumulation may have recoverable quantities in several resource classes simultaneously.

In order to assign recoverable resources of any class, a development plan needs to be defined consisting of one or more projects. Even for Prospective Resources, the estimates of recoverable quantities must be stated in terms of the sales products derived from a development program assuming successful discovery and commercial development. Given the major uncertainties involved at this early stage, the development program will not be of the detail expected in later stages of maturity. In most cases, recovery efficiency may be largely based on analogous projects. In-place quantities for which a feasible project cannot be defined using current, or reasonably forecast improvements in, technology are classified as Unrecoverable.

Not all technically feasible development plans will be commercial. The commercial viability of a development project is dependent on a forecast of the conditions that will exist during the time period encompassed by the project's activities (see Commercial Evaluations, section 3.1). "Conditions" include technological, economic, legal, environmental, social, and governmental factors. While economic factors can be summarized as forecast costs and product prices, the underlying influences include, but are not limited to, market conditions, transportation and processing infrastructure, fiscal terms, and taxes.

The resource quantities being estimated are those volumes producible from a project as measured according to delivery specifications at the point of sale or custody transfer (see Reference Point, section 3.2.1). The cumulative production from the evaluation date forward to cessation of production is the remaining recoverable quantity. The sum of the associated annual net cash flows yields the estimated future net revenue. When the cash flows are discounted according to a defined discount rate and time period, the summation of the discounted cash flows is termed net present value (NPV) of the project (see Evaluation and Reporting Guidelines, section 3.0).

The supporting data, analytical processes, and assumptions used in an evaluation should be documented in sufficient detail to allow an independent evaluator or auditor to clearly understand the basis for estimation and categorization of recoverable quantities and their classification.

2.0 Classification and Categorization Guidelines

To consistently characterize petroleum projects, evaluations of all resources should be conducted in the context of the full classification system as shown in Figure 1-1. These guidelines reference this classification system and support an evaluation in which projects are "classified" based on their chance of commerciality (the vertical axis) and estimates of recoverable and marketable quantities associated with each project are "categorized" to reflect uncertainty (the horizontal axis). The actual workflow of classification vs. categorization varies with individual projects and is often an iterative analysis process leading to a final report. "Report," as used herein, refers to the presentation of evaluation results within the business entity conducting the assessment and should not be construed as replacing guidelines for public disclosures under guidelines established by regulatory and/or other government agencies. Additional background information on resources classification issues can be found in Chapter 2 of the 2001 SPE/WPC/AAPG publication: "Guidelines for the Evaluation of Petroleum Reserves and Resources," hereafter referred to as the "2001 Supplemental Guidelines."

2.1 Resources Classification

The basic classification requires establishment of criteria for a petroleum discovery and thereafter the distinction between commercial and sub-commercial projects in known accumulations (and hence between Reserves and Contingent Resources).

2.1.1 Determination of Discovery Status

A discovery is one petroleum accumulation, or several petroleum accumulations collectively, for which one or several exploratory wells have established through testing, sampling, and/or logging the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons.

In this context, "significant" implies that there is evidence of a sufficient quantity of petroleum to justify estimating the in-place volume demonstrated by the well(s) and for evaluating the potential for economic recovery. Estimated recoverable quantities within such a discovered (known) accumulation(s) shall initially be classified as Contingent Resources pending definition of projects with sufficient chance of commercial development to reclassify all, or a portion, as Reserves. Where in-place hydrocarbons are identified but are not considered currently recoverable, such quantities may be classified as Discovered Unrecoverable, if considered appropriate for resource management purposes; a portion of these quantities may become recoverable resources in the future as commercial circumstances change or technological developments occur.

2.1.2 Determination of Commerciality

Discovered recoverable volumes (Contingent Resources) may be considered commercially producible, and thus Reserves, if the entity claiming commerciality has demonstrated firm intention to proceed with development and such intention is based upon all of the following criteria:

- Evidence to support a reasonable timetable for development.
- A reasonable assessment of the future economics of such development projects meeting defined investment and operating criteria:
- A reasonable expectation that there will be a market for all or at least the expected sales quantities of production required to justify development.
- Evidence that the necessary production and transportation facilities are available or can be made available:
- Evidence that legal, contractual, environmental and other social and economic concerns will allow for the actual implementation of the recovery project being evaluated.

To be included in the Reserves class, a project must be sufficiently defined to establish its commercial viability. There must be a reasonable expectation that all required internal and external approvals will be forthcoming, and there is evidence of firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time frame. A reasonable time frame for the initiation of development depends on the specific circumstances and varies according to the scope of the project. While 5 years is recommended as a benchmark, a longer time frame could be applied where, for example, development of economic projects are deferred at the option of the producer for, among other things, market-related reasons, or to meet contractual or strategic objectives. In all cases, the justification for classification as Reserves should be clearly documented.

To be included in the Reserves class, there must be a high confidence in the commercial producibility of the reservoir as supported by actual production or formation tests. In certain cases, Reserves may be assigned on the basis of well logs and/or core analysis that indicate that

the subject reservoir is hydrocarbon-bearing and is analogous to reservoirs in the same area that are producing or have demonstrated the ability to produce on formation tests.

2.1.3 Project Status and Commercial Risk

Evaluators have the option to establish a more detailed resources classification reporting system that can also provide the basis for portfolio management by subdividing the chance of commerciality axis according to project maturity. Such sub-classes may be characterized by standard project maturity level descriptions (qualitative) and/or by their associated chance of reaching producing status (quantitative).

As a project moves to a higher level of maturity, there will be an increasing chance that the accumulation will be commercially developed. For Contingent and Prospective Resources, this can further be expressed as a quantitative chance estimate that incorporates two key underlying risk components:

- The chance that the potential accumulation will result in the discovery of petroleum. This is
 referred to as the "chance of discovery."
- Once discovered, the chance that the accumulation will be commercially developed is referred to as the "chance of development."

Thus, for an undiscovered accumulation, the "chance of commerciality" is the product of these two risk components. For a discovered accumulation where the "chance of discovery" is 100%, the "chance of commerciality" becomes equivalent to the "chance of development."

2.1.3.1 Project Maturity Sub-Classes

As illustrated in Figure 2-1, development projects (and their associated recoverable quantities) may be sub-classified according to project maturity levels and the associated actions (business decisions) required to move a project toward commercial production.



Figure 2-1: Sub-classes based on Project Maturity.

Project Maturity terminology and definitions have been modified from the example provided in the 2001 Supplemental Guidelines, Chapter 2. Detailed definitions and guidelines for each Project Maturity sub-class are provided in Table I. This approach supports managing portfolios of opportunities at various stages of exploration and development and may be supplemented by associated quantitative estimates of chance of commerciality. The boundaries between different levels of project maturity may be referred to as "decision gates."

Decisions within the Reserves class are based on those actions that progress a project through final approvals to implementation and initiation of production and product sales. For Contingent Resources, supporting analysis should focus on gathering data and performing analyses to clarify and then mitigate those key conditions, or contingencies, that prevent commercial development.

For Prospective Resources, these potential accumulations are evaluated according to their chance of discovery and, assuming a discovery, the estimated quantities that would be recoverable under appropriate development projects. The decision at each phase is to undertake further data acquisition and/or studies designed to move the project to a level of technical and commercial maturity where a decision can be made to proceed with exploration drilling.

Evaluators may adopt alternative sub-classes and project maturity modifiers, but the concept of increasing chance of commerciality should be a key enabler in applying the overall classification system and supporting portfolio management.

2.1.3.2 Reserves Status

Once projects satisfy commercial risk criteria, the associated quantities are classified as Reserves. These quantities may be allocated to the following subdivisions based on the funding and operational status of wells and associated facilities within the reservoir development plan (detailed definitions and guidelines are provided in Table 2):

- Developed Reserves are expected quantities to be recovered from existing wells and facilities.
 - Developed Producing Reserves are expected to be recovered from completion intervals that are open and producing at the time of the estimate.
 - Developed Non-Producing Reserves include shut-in and behind-pipe Reserves.
- Undeveloped Reserves are quantities expected to be recovered through future investments.

Where Reserves remain undeveloped beyond a reasonable timeframe, or have remained undeveloped due to repeated postponements, evaluations should be critically reviewed to document reasons for the delay in initiating development and justify retaining these quantities within the Reserves class. While there are specific circumstances where a longer delay (see Determination of Commerciality, section 2.1.2) is justified, a reasonable time frame is generally considered to be less than 5 years.

Development and production status are of significant importance for project management. While Reserves Status has traditionally only been applied to Proved Reserves, the same concept of Developed and Undeveloped Status based on the funding and operational status of wells and producing facilities within the development project are applicable throughout the full range of Reserves uncertainty categories (Proved, Probable and Possible).

Quantities may be subdivided by Reserves Status independent of sub-classification by Project Maturity. If applied in combination, Developed and/or Undeveloped Reserves quantities may be identified separately within each Reserves sub-class (On Production, Approved for Development, and Justified for Development).

2.1.3.3 Economic Status

Projects may be further characterized by their Economic Status. All projects classified as Reserves must be economic under defined conditions (see Commercial Evaluations, section 3.1). Based on assumptions regarding future conditions and their impact on ultimate economic viability, projects currently classified as Contingent Resources may be broadly divided into two groups:

- Marginal Contingent Resources are those quantities associated with technically feasible projects that are either currently economic or projected to be economic under reasonably forecasted improvements in commercial conditions but are not committed for development because of one or more contingencies.
- Sub-Marginal Contingent Resources are those quantities associated with discoveries for which analysis indicates that technically feasible development projects would not be economic and/or other contingencies would not be satisfied under current or reasonably forecasted improvements in commercial conditions. These projects nonetheless should be retained in the inventory of discovered resources pending unforeseen major changes in commercial conditions.

Where evaluations are incomplete such that it is premature to clearly define ultimate chance of commerciality, it is acceptable to note that project economic status is "undetermined." Additional economic status modifiers may be applied to further characterize recoverable quantities; for example, non-sales (lease fuel, flare, and losses) may be separately identified and documented in addition to sales quantities for both production and recoverable resource estimates (see also Reference Point, section 3.2.1). Those discovered in-place volumes for which a feasible development project cannot be defined using current, or reasonably forecast improvements in, technology are classified as Unrecoverable.

Economic Status may be identified independently of, or applied in combination with, Project Maturity sub-classification to more completely describe the project and its associated resources.

2.2 Resources Categorization

The horizontal axis in the Resources Classification (Figure 1.1) defines the range of uncertainty in estimates of the quantities of recoverable, or potentially recoverable, petroleum associated with a project. These estimates include both technical and commercial uncertainty components as follows:

- The total petroleum remaining within the accumulation (in-place resources).
- That portion of the in-place petroleum that can be recovered by applying a defined development project or projects.
- Variations in the commercial conditions that may impact the quantities recovered and sold (e.g., market availability, contractual changes).

Where commercial uncertainties are such that there is significant risk that the complete project (as initially defined) will not proceed, it is advised to create a separate project classified as Contingent Resources with an appropriate chance of commerciality.

2.2.1 Range of Uncertainty

The range of uncertainty of the recoverable and/or potentially recoverable volumes may be represented by either deterministic scenarios or by a probability distribution (see Deterministic and Probabilistic Methods, section 4.2).

When the range of uncertainty is represented by a probability distribution, a low, best, and high estimate shall be provided such that:

- There should be at least a 90% probability (P90) that the quantities actually recovered will
 equal or exceed the low estimate.
- There should be at least a 50% probability (P50) that the quantities actually recovered will
 equal or exceed the best estimate.
- There should be at least a 10% probability (P10) that the quantities actually recovered will
 equal or exceed the high estimate.

When using the deterministic scenario method, typically there should also be low, best, and high estimates, where such estimates are based on qualitative assessments of relative uncertainty using consistent interpretation guidelines. Under the deterministic incremental (risk-based) approach, quantities at each level of uncertainty are estimated discretely and separately (see Category Definitions and Guidelines, section 2.2.2).

These same approaches to describing uncertainty may be applied to Reserves, Contingent Resources, and Prospective Resources. While there may be significant risk that sub-commercial and undiscovered accumulations will not achieve commercial production, it useful to consider the range of potentially recoverable quantities independently of such a risk or consideration of the resource class to which the quantities will be assigned.

2.2.2 Category Definitions and Guidelines

Evaluators may assess recoverable quantities and categorize results by uncertainty using the deterministic incremental (risk-based) approach, the deterministic scenario (cumulative) approach, or probabilistic methods. (see "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 2.5). In many cases, a combination of approaches is used.

Use of consistent terminology (Figure 1.1) promotes clarity in communication of evaluation results. For Reserves, the general cumulative terms low/best/high estimates are denoted as 1P/2P/3P, respectively. The associated incremental quantities are termed Proved, Probable and Possible. Reserves are a subset of, and must be viewed within context of, the complete resources classification system. While the categorization criteria are proposed specifically for Reserves, in most cases, they can be equally applied to Contingent and Prospective Resources conditional upon their satisfying the criteria for discovery and/or development.

For Contingent Resources, the general cumulative terms low/best/high estimates are denoted as 1C/2C/3C respectively. For Prospective Resources, the general cumulative terms low/best/high estimates still apply. No specific terms are defined for incremental quantities within Contingent and Prospective Resources.

Without new technical information, there should be no change in the distribution of technically recoverable volumes and their categorization boundaries when conditions are satisfied sufficiently to reclassify a project from Contingent Resources to Reserves. All evaluations require application of a consistent set of forecast conditions, including assumed future costs and prices, for both classification of projects and categorization of estimated quantities recovered by each project (see Commercial Evaluations, section 3.1).

Table III presents category definitions and provides guidelines designed to promote consistency in resource assessments. The following summarizes the definitions for each Reserves category in terms of both the deterministic incremental approach and scenario approach and also provides the probability criteria if probabilistic methods are applied.

 Proved Reserves are those quantities of petroleum, which, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable, from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations. If deterministic methods are used, the term reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate.

- Probable Reserves are those additional Reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than Possible Reserves. It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated Proved plus Probable Reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate.
- Possible Reserves are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data suggest are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves. The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P) Reserves, which is equivalent to the high estimate scenario. In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate.

Based on additional data and updated interpretations that indicate increased certainty, portions of Possible and Probable Reserves may be re-categorized as Probable and Proved Reserves.

Uncertainty in resource estimates is best communicated by reporting a range of potential results. However, if it is required to report a single representative result, the "best estimate" is considered the most realistic assessment of recoverable quantities. It is generally considered to represent the sum of Proved and Probable estimates (2P) when using the deterministic scenario or the probabilistic assessment methods. It should be noted that under the deterministic incremental (risk-based) approach, discrete estimates are made for each category, and they should not be aggregated without due consideration of their associated risk (see "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 2.5).

2.3 Incremental Projects

The initial resource assessment is based on application of a defined initial development project. Incremental projects are designed to increase recovery efficiency and/or to accelerate production through making changes to wells or facilities, infill drilling, or improved recovery. Such projects should be classified according to the same criteria as initial projects. Related incremental quantities are similarly categorized on certainty of recovery. The projected increased recovery can be included in estimated Reserves if the degree of commitment is such that the project will be developed and placed on production within a reasonable timeframe.

Circumstances where development will be significantly delayed should be clearly documented. If there is significant project risk, forecast incremental recoveries may be similarly categorized but should be classified as Contingent Resources (see Determination of Commerciality, section 2.1.2).

2.3.1 Workovers, Treatments, and Changes of Equipment

Incremental recovery associated with future workover, treatment (including hydraulic fracturing), re-treatment, changes of equipment, or other mechanical procedures where such projects have routinely been successful in analogous reservoirs may be classified as Developed or Undeveloped Reserves depending on the magnitude of associated costs required (see Reserves Status, section 2.1.3.2).

2.3.2 Compression

Reduction in the backpressure through compression can increase the portion of in-place gas that can be commercially produced and thus included in Reserves estimates. If the eventual installation of compression was planned and approved as part of the original development plan, incremental recovery is included in Undeveloped Reserves. However, if the cost to implement compression is not significant (relative to the cost of a new well), the incremental quantities may be classified as Developed Reserves. If compression facilities were not part of the original approved development plan and such costs are significant, it should be treated as a separate project subject to normal project maturity criteria.

2.3.3 Infill Drilling

Technical and commercial analyses may support drilling additional producing wells to reduce the spacing beyond that utilized within the initial development plan, subject to government regulations (if such approvals are required). Infill drilling may have the combined effect of increasing recovery efficiency and accelerating production. Only the incremental recovery can be considered as additional Reserves; this additional recovery may need to be reallocated to individual wells with different interest ownerships.

2.3.4 Improved Recovery

Improved recovery is the additional petroleum obtained, beyond primary recovery, from naturally occurring reservoirs by supplementing the natural reservoir performance. It includes waterflooding, secondary or tertiary recovery processes, and any other means of supplementing natural reservoir recovery processes.

Improved recovery projects must meet the same Reserves commerciality criteria as primary recovery projects. There should be an expectation that the project will be economic and that the entity has committed to implement the project in a reasonable time frame (generally within 5 years; further delays should be clearly justified).

The judgment on commerciality is based on pilot testing within the subject reservoir or by comparison to a reservoir with analogous rock and fluid properties and where a similar established improved recovery project has been successfully applied.

Incremental recoveries through improved recovery methods that have yet to be established through routine, commercially successful applications are included as Reserves only after a favorable production response from the subject reservoir from either (a) a representative pilot or (b) an installed program, where the response provides support for the analysis on which the project is based.

These incremental recoveries in commercial projects are categorized into Proved, Probable, and Possible Reserves based on certainty derived from engineering analysis and analogous applications in similar reservoirs.

2.4 Unconventional Resources

Two types of petroleum resources have been defined that may require different approaches for their evaluations:

 Conventional resources exist in discrete petroleum accumulations related to a localized geological structural feature and/or stratigraphic condition, typically with each accumulation bounded by a downdip contact with an aquifer, and which is significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences such as buoyancy of petroleum in water. The petroleum is recovered through wellbores and typically requires minimal processing prior to sale. Unconventional resources exist in petroleum accumulations that are pervasive throughout a large area and that are not significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences (also called "continuous-type deposits"). Examples include coalbed methane (CBM), basin-centered gas, shale gas, gas hydrates, natural bitumen, and oil shale deposits. Typically, such accumulations require specialized extraction technology (e.g., dewatering of CBM, massive fracturing programs for shale gas, steam and/or solvents to mobilize bitumen for in-situ recovery, and, in some cases, mining activities). Moreover, the extracted petroleum may require significant processing prior to sale (e.g., bitumen upgraders).

For these petroleum accumulations that are not significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences, reliance on continuous water contacts and pressure gradient analysis to interpret the extent of recoverable petroleum may not be possible. Thus, there typically is a need for increased sampling density to define uncertainty of in-place volumes, variations in quality of reservoir and hydrocarbons, and their detailed spatial distribution to support detailed design of specialized mining or in-situ extraction programs.

It is intended that the resources definitions, together with the classification system, will be appropriate for all types of petroleum accumulations regardless of their in-place characteristics, extraction method applied, or degree of processing required.

Similar to improved recovery projects applied to conventional reservoirs, successful pilots or operating projects in the subject reservoir or successful projects in analogous reservoirs may be required to establish a distribution of recovery efficiencies for non-conventional accumulations. Such pilot projects may evaluate both extraction efficiency and the efficiency of unconventional processing facilities to derive sales products prior to custody transfer.

3.0 Evaluation and Reporting Guidelines

The following guidelines are provided to promote consistency in project evaluations and reporting. "Reporting" refers to the presentation of evaluation results within the business entity conducting the evaluation and should not be construed as replacing guidelines for subsequent public disclosures under guidelines established by regulatory and/or other government agencies, or any current or future associated accounting standards.

3.1 Commercial Evaluations

Investment decisions are based on the entity's view of future commercial conditions that may impact the development feasibility (commitment to develop) and production/cash flow schedule of oil and gas projects. Commercial conditions include, but are not limited to, assumptions of financial conditions (costs, prices, fiscal terms, taxes), marketing, legal, environmental, social, and governmental factors. Project value may be assessed in several ways (e.g., historical costs, comparative market values); the guidelines herein apply only to evaluations based on cash flow analysis. Moreover, modifying factors such contractual or political risks that may additionally influence investment decisions are not addressed. (Additional detail on commercial issues can be found in the "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 4.)

3.1.1 Cash-Flow-Based Resources Evaluations

Resources evaluations are based on estimates of future production and the associated cash flow schedules for each development project. The sum of the associated annual net cash flows yields the estimated future net revenue. When the cash flows are discounted according to a defined discount rate and time period, the summation of the discounted cash flows is termed net present value (NPV) of the project. The calculation shall reflect:

- The expected quantities of production projected over identified time periods.
- The estimated costs associated with the project to develop, recover, and produce the quantities of production at its Reference Point (see section 3.2.1), including environmental, abandonment, and reclamation costs charged to the project, based on the evaluator's view of the costs expected to apply in future periods.
- The estimated revenues from the quantities of production based on the evaluator's view of the prices expected to apply to the respective commodities in future periods including that portion of the costs and revenues accruing to the entity.
- Future projected production and revenue related taxes and royalties expected to be paid by the entity.
- A project life that is limited to the period of entitlement or reasonable expectation thereof.
- The application of an appropriate discount rate that reasonably reflects the weighted average cost of capital or the minimum acceptable rate of return applicable to the entity at the time of the evaluation.

While each organization may define specific investment criteria, a project is generally considered to be "economic" if its "best estimate" case has a positive net present value under the organization's standard discount rate, or if at least has a positive undiscounted cash flow.

3.1.2 Economic Criteria

Evaluators must clearly identify the assumptions on commercial conditions utilized in the evaluation and must document the basis for these assumptions.

The economic evaluation underlying the investment decision is based on the entity's reasonable forecast of future conditions, including costs and prices, which will exist during the life of the project (forecast case). Such forecasts are based on projected changes to current conditions; SPE defines current conditions as the average of those existing during the previous 12 months.

Alternative economic scenarios are considered in the decision process and, in some cases, to supplement reporting requirements. Evaluators may examine a case in which current conditions are held constant (no inflation or deflation) throughout the project life (constant case).

Evaluations may be modified to accommodate criteria imposed by regulatory agencies regarding external disclosures. For example, these criteria may include a specific requirement that, if the recovery were confined to the technically Proved Reserves estimate, the constant case should still generate a positive cash flow. External reporting requirements may also specify alternative guidance on current conditions (for example, year-end costs and prices).

There may be circumstances in which the project meets criteria to be classified as Reserves using the forecast case but does not meet the external criteria for Proved Reserves. In these specific circumstances, the entity may record 2P and 3P estimates without separately recording Proved. As costs are incurred and development proceeds, the low estimate may eventually satisfy external requirements, and Proved Reserves can then be assigned.

While SPE guidelines do not require that project financing be confirmed prior to classifying projects as Reserves, this may be another external requirement. In many cases, loans are conditional upon the same criteria as above; that is, the project must be economic based on Proved Reserves only. In general, if there is not a reasonable expectation that loans or other forms of financing (e.g., farm-outs) can be arranged such that the development will be initiated within a reasonable timeframe, then the project should be classified as Contingent Resources. If financing is reasonably expected but not yet confirmed, the project may be classified as Reserves, but no Proved Reserves may be reported as above.

3.1.3 Economic Limit

Economic limit is defined as the production rate beyond which the net operating cash flows from a project, which may be an individual well, lease, or entire field, are negative, a point in time that defines the project's economic life. Operating costs should be based on the same type of projections as used in price forecasting. Operating costs should include only those costs that are incremental to the project for which the economic limit is being calculated (i.e., only those cash costs that will actually be eliminated if project production ceases should be considered in the calculation of economic limit). Operating costs attributable to the project and any production and property taxes but, for purposes of calculating economic limit, should exclude depreciation, abandonment and reclamation costs, and income tax, as well as any overhead above that required to operate the subject property itself. Operating costs may be reduced, and thus project life extended, by various cost-reduction and revenue-enhancement approaches, such as sharing of production facilities, pooling maintenance contracts, or marketing of associated non-hydrocarbons (see Associated Non-Hydrocarbon Components, section 3.2.4).

Interim negative project net cash flows may be accommodated in short periods of low product prices or major operational problems, provided that the longer-term forecasts must still indicate positive economics.

3.2 Production Measurement

In general, the marketable product, as measured according to delivery specifications at a defined Reference Point, provides the basis for production quantities and resources estimates. The following operational issues should be considered in defining and measuring production. While referenced specifically to Reserves, the same logic would be applied to projects forecast to develop Contingent and Prospective Resources conditional on discovery and development. (Additional detail on operational issues that impact resources estimation can be found in the "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 3.)

3.2.1 Reference Point

Reference Point is a defined location(s) in the production chain where the produced quantities are measured or assessed. The Reference Point is typically the point of sale to third parties or where custody is transferred to the entity's downstream operations. Sales production and estimated Reserves are normally measured and reported in terms of quantities crossing this point over the period of interest.

The Reference Point may be defined by relevant accounting regulations in order to ensure that the Reference Point is the same for both the measurement of reported sales quantities and for the accounting treatment of sales revenues. This ensures that sales quantities are stated according to their delivery specifications at a defined price. In integrated projects, the appropriate price at the Reference Point may need to be determined using a netback calculation.

Sales quantities are equal to raw production less non-sales quantities, being those quantities produced at the wellhead but not available for sales at the Reference Point. Non-sales quantities include petroleum consumed as fuel, flared, or lost in processing, plus non-hydrocarbons that must be removed prior to sale; each of these may be allocated using separate Reference Points but when combined with sales, should sum to raw production. Sales quantities may need to be adjusted to exclude components added in processing but not derived from raw production. Raw production measurements are necessary and form the basis of engineering calculations (e.g., production performance analysis) based on total reservoir voidage.

3.2.2 Lease Fuel

Lease fuel is that portion of produced natural gas, crude oil, or condensate consumed as fuel in production and lease plant operations.

For consistency, lease fuel should be treated as shrinkage and is not included in sales quantities or resource estimates. However, some regulatory guidelines may allow lease fuel to be included in Reserves estimates where it replaces alternative sources of fuel and/or power that would be purchased in their absence. Where claimed as Reserves, such fuel quantities should be reported separately from sales, and their value must be included as an operating expense. Flared gas and oil and other losses are always treated as shrinkage and are not included in either product sales or Reserves.

3.2.3 Wet or Dry Natural Gas

The Reserves for wet or dry natural gas should be considered in the context of the specifications of the gas at the agreed Reference Point. Thus, for gas that is sold as wet gas, the volume of the wet gas would be reported, and there would be no associated or extracted hydrocarbon liquids reported separately. It would be expected that the corresponding enhanced value of the wet gas would be reflected in the sales price achieved for such gas.

When liquids are extracted from the gas prior to sale and the gas is sold in dry condition, then the dry gas volume and the extracted liquid volumes, whether condensate and/or natural gas liquids, should be accounted for separately in resource assessments. Any hydrocarbon liquids separated from the wet gas subsequent to the agreed Reference Point would not be reported as Reserves.

3.2.4 Associated Non-Hydrocarbon Components

In the event that non-hydrocarbon components are associated with production, the reported quantities should reflect the agreed specifications of the petroleum product at the Reference Point. Correspondingly, the accounts will reflect the value of the petroleum product at the Reference Point. If it is required to remove all or a portion of non-hydrocarbons prior to delivery, the Reserves and production should reflect only the residual hydrocarbon product.

Even if the associated non-hydrocarbon component (e.g., helium, sulfur) that is removed prior to the Reference Point is subsequently and separately marketed, these quantities are not included in petroleum production or Reserves. The revenue generated by the sale of non-hydrocarbon products may be included in the economic evaluation of a project.

3.2.5 Natural Gas Re-Injection

Natural gas production can be re-injected into a reservoir for a number of reasons and under a variety of conditions. It can be re-injected into the same reservoir or into other reservoirs located on the same property for recycling, pressure maintenance, miscible injection, or other enhanced oil recovery processes. In such cases, assuming that the gas will eventually be produced and sold, the gas volume estimated as eventually recoverable can be included as Reserves.

If gas volumes are to be included as Reserves, they must meet the normal criteria laid down in the definitions including the existence of a viable development, transportation, and sales marketing plan. Gas volumes should be reduced for losses associated with the re-injection and subsequent recovery process. Gas volumes injected into a reservoir for gas disposal with no committed plan for recovery are not classified as Reserves. Gas volumes purchased for injection and later recovered are not classified as Reserves.

3.2.6 Underground Natural Gas Storage

Natural gas injected into a gas storage reservoir to be recovered at a later period (e.g., to meet peak market demand periods) should not be included as Reserves.

The gas placed in the storage reservoir may be purchased or may originate from prior production. It is important to distinguish injected gas from any remaining native recoverable volumes in the reservoir. On commencing gas production, its allocation between native gas and injected gas may be subject to local regulatory and accounting rulings. Native gas production would be drawn against the original field Reserves. The uncertainty with respect to original field volumes remains with the native reservoir gas and not the injected gas.

There may be occasions, such as gas acquired through a production payment, in which gas is transferred from one lease or field to another without a sale or custody transfer occurring. In such cases, the re-injected gas could be included with the native reservoir gas as Reserves. The same principles regarding separation of native resources from injected quantities would apply to underground oil storage.

3.2.7 Production Balancing

Reserves estimates must be adjusted for production withdrawals. This may be a complex accounting process when the allocation of production among project participants is not aligned with their entitlement to Reserves. Production overlift or underlift can occur in oil production records because of the necessity for participants to lift their production in parcel sizes or cargo volumes to suit available shipping schedules as agreed among the parties. Similarly, an imbalance in gas deliveries can result from the participants having different operating or marketing arrangements that prevent gas volumes sold from being equal to entitlement share within a given time period.

Based on production matching the internal accounts, annual production should generally be equal to the liftings actually made by the participant and not on the production entitlement for the year. However, actual production and entitlements must be reconciled in Reserves assessments. Resulting imbalances must be monitored over time and eventually resolved before project abandonment.

3.3 Resources Entitlement and Recognition

While assessments are conducted to establish estimates of the total Petroleum Initially-in-Place and that portion recovered by defined projects, the allocation of sales quantities, costs, and revenues impacts the project economics and commerciality. This allocation is governed by the applicable contracts between the mineral owners (lessors) and contractors (lessees) and is generally referred to as "entitlement." For publicly traded companies, securities regulators may set criteria regarding the classes and categories that can be "recognized" in external disclosures.

Entitlements must ensure that the recoverable resources claimed/reported by individual stakeholders sum to the total recoverable resources; that is, there are none missing or duplicated in the allocation process. (The "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 9, addresses issues of Reserves recognition under production-sharing and non-traditional agreements.)

3.3.1 Royalty

Royalty refers to payments that are due to the host government or mineral owner (lessor) in return for depletion of the reservoirs by the producer (lessee/contractor) having access to the petroleum resources.

Many agreements allow for the lessee/contractor to lift the royalty volumes and sell them on behalf of, and pay the proceeds to, the royalty owner/lessor. Some agreements provide for the royalty to be taken only in-kind by the royalty owner. In either case, royalty volumes must be deducted from the lessee's entitlement to resources. In some agreements, royalties owned by the host government are actually treated as taxes to be paid in cash. In such cases, the equivalent royalty volumes are controlled by the contractor who may (subject to regulatory guidance) elect to report these volumes as Reserves and/or Contingent Resources with appropriate offsets (increase in operating expense) to recognize the financial liability of the royalty obligation.

Conversely, if a company owns a royalty or equivalent interest of any type in a project, the related quantities can be included in Resources entitlements.

3.3.2 Production-Sharing Contract Reserves

Production-Sharing Contracts (PSCs) of various types replace conventional tax-royalty systems in many countries. Under the PSC terms, the producers have an entitlement to a portion of the production. This entitlement, often referred to as "net entitlement" or "net economic interest," is estimated using a formula based on the contract terms incorporating project costs (cost oil) and project profits (profit oil).

Although ownership of the production invariably remains with the government authority up to the export point of the project, the producers may take title to their share of the net entitlement at that point and may claim that share as their Reserves.

Risked-Service Contracts (RSCs) are similar to PSCs, but in this case, the producers are paid in cash rather than in production. As with PSCs, the Reserves claimed are based on the parties' net economic interest. Care needs to be taken to distinguish between an RSC and a "Pure Service Contract." Reserves can be claimed in an RSC on the basis that the producers are exposed to capital at risk, whereas no Reserves can be claimed for Pure Service Contracts because there are no market risks and the producers act as contractors.

Unlike traditional royalty-lease agreements, the cost recovery system in production-sharing, riskservice, and other related contracts typically reduce the production share and hence Reserves obtained by a contractor in periods of high price and increase volumes in periods of low price. While this ensures cost recovery, it introduces a significant price-related volatility in annual Reserves estimates under cases using "current" economic conditions. Under a defined "forecast conditions case," the future relationship of price to Reserves entitlement is known.

The treatment of taxes and the accounting procedures used can also have a significant impact on the Reserves recognized and production reported from these contracts.

3.3.3 Contract Extensions or Renewals

As production-sharing or other types of agreements approach maturity, they can be extended by negotiation for contract extensions, by the exercise of options to extend, or by other means.

Reserves should not be claimed for those volumes that will be produced beyond the ending date of the current agreement unless there is reasonable expectation that an extension, a renewal, or a new contract will be granted. Such reasonable expectation may be based on the historical treatment of similar agreements by the license-issuing jurisdiction. Otherwise, forecast production beyond the contract term should be classified as Contingent Resources with an associated reduced chance of commercialization. Moreover, it may not be reasonable to assume that the fiscal terms in a negotiated extension will be similar to existing terms. Similar logic should be applied where gas sales agreements are required to ensure adequate markets. Reserves should not be claimed for those quantities that will be produced beyond those specified in the current agreement or reasonably forecast to be included in future agreements.

In either of the above cases, where the risk of cessation of rights to produce or inability to secure gas contracts is not considered significant, evaluators may choose to incorporate the uncertainty by categorizing quantities to be recovered beyond the current contract as Probable or Possible Reserves.

4.0 Estimating Recoverable Quantities

Assuming that projects have been classified according to their project maturity, the estimation of associated recoverable quantities under a defined project and their assignment to uncertainty categories may be based on one or a combination of analytical procedures. Such procedures may be applied using an incremental (risk-based) and/or scenario approach; moreover, the method of assessing relative uncertainty in these estimates of recoverable quantities may employ both deterministic and probabilistic methods.

4.1 Analytical Procedures

The analytical procedures for estimating recoverable quantities fall into three broad categories: (a) analogy, (b) volumetric estimates, and (c) performance-based estimates, which include material balance, production decline, and other production performance analyses. Reservoir simulation may be used in either volumetric or performance-based analyses. Pre- and early postdiscovery assessments are typically made with analog field/project data and volumetric estimation. After production commences and production rates and pressure information become available, performance-based methods can be applied. Generally, the range of EUR estimates is expected to decrease as more information becomes available, but this is not always the case.

In each procedural method, results are not a single quantity of remaining recoverable petroleum, but rather a range that reflects the underlying uncertainties in both the in-place volumes and the recovery efficiency of the applied development project. By applying consistent guidelines (see Resources Categorization, section 2.2.), evaluators can define remaining recoverable quantities using either the incremental or cumulative scenario approach. The confidence in assessment results generally increases when the estimates are supported by more than one analytical procedure.

4.1.1 Analogs

Analogs are widely used in resources estimation, particularly in the exploration and early development stages, when direct measurement information is limited. The methodology is based on the assumption that the analogous reservoir is comparable to the subject reservoir regarding reservoir and fluid properties that control ultimate recovery of petroleum. By selecting appropriate analogs, where performance data based on comparable development plans (including well type, well spacing and stimulation) are available, a similar production profile may be forecast.

Analogous reservoirs are defined by features and characteristics including, but not limited to, approximate depth, pressure, temperature, reservoir drive mechanism, original fluid content, reservoir fluid gravity, reservoir size, gross thickness, pay thickness, net-to-gross ratio, lithology, heterogeneity, porosity, permeability, and development plan. Analogous reservoirs are formed by the same, or very similar, processes with regard to sedimentation, diagenesis, pressure, temperature, chemical and mechanical history, and structural deformation.

Comparison to several analogs may improve the range of uncertainty in estimated recoverable quantities from the subject reservoir. While reservoirs in the same geographic area and of the same age typically provide better analogs, such proximity alone may not be the primary consideration. In all cases, evaluators should document the similarities and differences between the analog and the subject reservoir/project. Review of analog reservoir performance is useful in quality assurance of resource assessments at all stages of development.

4.1.2 Volumetric Estimate

This procedure uses reservoir rock and fluid properties to calculate hydrocarbons in-place and then estimate that portion that will be recovered by a specific development project(s). Key uncertainties affecting in-place volumes include:

- Reservoir geometry and trap limits that impact gross rock volume.
- · Geological characteristics that define pore volume and permeability distribution.
- Elevation of fluid contacts.
- Combinations of reservoir quality, fluid types, and contacts that control fluid saturations.

The gross rock volume of interest is that for the total reservoir. While spatial distribution and reservoir quality impact recovery efficiency, the calculation of in-place petroleum often uses average net-to-gross ratio, porosity, and fluid saturations. In more heterogeneous reservoirs, increased well density may be required to confidently assess and categorize resources.

Given estimates of the in-place petroleum, that portion that can be recovered by a defined set of wells and operating conditions must then be estimated based on analog field performance and/or simulation studies using available reservoir information. Key assumptions must be made regarding reservoir drive mechanisms.

The estimates of recoverable quantities must reflect uncertainties not only in the petroleum inplace but also in the recovery efficiency of the development project(s) applied to the specific reservoir being studied.

Additionally, geostatistical methods can be used to preserve spatial distribution information and incorporate it in subsequent reservoir simulation applications. Such processes may yield improved estimates of the range of recoverable quantities. Incorporation of seismic analyses typically improves the underlying reservoir models and yields more reliable resource estimates. [Refer to the "2001 SPE Supplemental Guidelines" for more detailed discussion of geostatistics (Chapter 7) and seismic applications (Chapter 8)].

4.1.3 Material Balance

Material balance methods to estimate recoverable quantities involve the analysis of pressure behavior as reservoir fluids are withdrawn. In ideal situations, such as depletion-drive gas reservoirs in homogeneous, high-permeability reservoir rocks and where sufficient and high quality pressure data is available, estimation based on material balance may provide very reliable estimates of ultimate recovery at various abandonment pressures. In complex situations, such as those involving water influx, compartmentalization, multiphase behavior, and multilayered or lowpermeability reservoirs, material balance estimates alone may provide erroneous results. Evaluators should take care to accommodate the complexity of the reservoir and its pressure response to depletion in developing uncertainty profiles for the applied recovery project.

Computer reservoir modeling or reservoir simulation can be considered a sophisticated form of material balance analysis. While such modeling can be a reliable predictor of reservoir behavior under a defined development program, the reliability of input rock properties, reservoir geometry, relative permeability functions, and fluid properties are critical. Predictive models are most reliable

in estimating recoverable quantities when there is sufficient production history to validate the model through history matching.

4.1.4 Production Performance Analysis

Analysis of the change in production rates and production fluids ratios vs. time and vs. cumulative production as reservoir fluids are withdrawn provides valuable information to predict ultimate recoverable quantities. In some cases, before decline in production rates is apparent, trends in performance indicators such as gas/oil ratio (GOR), water/oil ratio (WOR), condensate/gas ratio (CGR), and bottomhole or flowing pressures can be extrapolated to an economic limit condition to estimate reserves.

Reliable results require a sufficient period of stable operating conditions after wells in a reservoir have established drainage areas. In estimating recoverable quantities, evaluators must consider complicating factors affecting production performance behavior, such as variable reservoir and fluid properties, transient vs. stabilized flow, changes in operating conditions, interference effects, and depletion mechanisms. In early stages of depletion, there may be significant uncertainty in both the ultimate performance profile and the commercial factors that impact abandonment rate. Such uncertainties should be reflected in the resources categorization. For very mature reservoirs, the future production forecast may be sufficiently well defined that the remaining uncertainty in the technical profile is not significant; in such cases, the "best estimate" 2P scenario may also be used for the 1P and 3P production forecasts. However, there may still be commercial uncertainties that will impact the abandonment rate, and these should be accommodated in the resources categorization.

4.2 Deterministic and Probabilistic Methods

Regardless of the analytical procedure used, resource estimates may be prepared using either deterministic or probabilistic methods. A deterministic estimate is a single discrete scenario within a range of outcomes that could be derived by probabilistic analysis.

In the deterministic method, a discrete value or array of values for each parameter is selected based on the estimator's choice of the values that are most appropriate for the corresponding resource category. A single outcome of recoverable quantities is derived for each deterministic increment or scenario.

In the probabilistic method, the estimator defines a distribution representing the full range of possible values for each input parameter. These distributions may be randomly sampled (typically using Monte Carlo simulation software) to compute a full range and distribution of potential outcome of results of recoverable quantities (see "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 5, for more detailed discussion of probabilistic reserves estimation procedures). This approach is most often applied to volumetric resource calculations in the early phases of an exploitation and development projects. The Resources Categorization guidelines include criteria that provide specific limits to parameters associated with each category. Moreover, the resource analysis must consider commercial uncertainties. Accordingly, when probabilistic methods are used, constraints on parameters may be required to ensure that results are not outside the range imposed by the category deterministic guidelines and commercial uncertainties.

Deterministic volumes are estimated for discrete increments and defined scenarios. While deterministic estimates may have broadly inferred confidence levels, they do not have associated quantitatively defined probabilities. Nevertheless, the ranges of the probability guidelines established for the probabilistic method (see Range of Uncertainty, section 2.2.1) influence the amount of uncertainty generally inferred in the estimate derived from the deterministic method.

Both deterministic and probabilistic methods may be used in combination to ensure that results of either method are reasonable.

4.2.1 Aggregation Methods

Oil and gas quantities are generally estimated and categorized according to certainty of recovery within individual reservoirs or portions of reservoirs; this is referred to as the "reservoir level" assessment. These estimates are summed to arrive at estimates for fields, properties, and projects. Further summation is applied to yield totals for areas, countries, and companies; these are generally referred to as "resource reporting levels." The uncertainty distribution of the individual estimates at each of these levels may differ widely, depending on the geological settings and the maturity of the resources. This cumulative summation process is generally referred to as "aggregation."

Two general methods of aggregation may be applied: arithmetic summation of estimates by category and statistical aggregation of uncertainty distributions. There is typically significant divergence in results from applying these alternative methods. In statistical aggregation, except in the rare situation when all the reservoirs being aggregated are totally dependent, the P90 (high degree of certainty) quantities from the aggregate are always greater than the arithmetic sum of the reservoir level P90 quantities, and the P10 (low degree of certainty) of the aggregate is always less than the arithmetic sum P10 quantities assessed at the reservoir level. This "portfolio effect" is the result of the central limit theorem in statistical analysis. Note that the mean (arithmetic average) of the sums is equal to the sum of the means; that is, there is no portfolio effect in aggregating mean values.

In practice, there is likely to be a large degree of dependence between reservoirs in the same field, and such dependencies must be incorporated in the probabilistic calculation. When dependency is present and not accounted for, probabilistic aggregation will overestimate the low estimate result and underestimate the high estimate result. (Aggregation of Reserves is discussed in Chapter 6 of the "2001 Supplemental Guidelines.")

The aggregation methods utilized depends on the business purpose. It is recommended that for reporting purposes, assessment results should not incorporate statistical aggregation beyond the field, property, or project level. Results reporting beyond this level should use arithmetic summation by category but should caution that the aggregate Proved may be a very conservative estimate and aggregate 3P may be very optimistic depending on the number of items in the aggregate. Aggregates of 2P results typically have less portfolio effect that may not be significant in mature properties where the statistical median approaches the mean of the resulting distribution.

Various techniques are available to aggregate deterministic and/or probabilistic field, property, or project assessment results for detailed business unit or corporate portfolio analyses where the results incorporate the benefits of portfolio size and diversification. Again, aggregation should incorporate degree of dependency. Where the underlying analyses are available, comparison of arithmetic and statistical aggregation results may be valuable in assessing impact of the portfolio effect. Whether deterministic or probabilistic methods are used, care should be taken to avoid systematic bias in the estimation process.

It is recognized that the monetary value associated with these recoveries is dependent on the production and cash flow schedules for each project; thus, aggregate distributions of recoverable quantities may not be a direct indication of corresponding uncertainty distributions of aggregate value.

4.2.1.1 Aggregating Resources Classes

Petroleum quantities classified as Reserves, Contingent Resources, or Prospective Resources should not be aggregated with each other without due consideration of the significant differences in the criteria associated with their classification. In particular, there may be a significant risk that

accumulations containing Contingent Resources and/ or Prospective Resources will not achieve commercial production.

Where the associated discovery and commerciality risks have been quantitatively defined, statistical techniques may be applied to incorporate individual project risk estimates in portfolio analysis of volume and value.

Table 1: Recoverable Resources Classes and Sub-Classes

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Class/Sub-Class	Definition	Guidelines
Reserves	Reserves are those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given	Reserves must satisfy four criteria: they must be discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining based on the development project(s) applied. Reserves are further subdivided in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be sub-classified based on project maturity and/or characterized by their development and production status.
	date forward under defined conditions.	To be included in the Reserves class, a project must be sufficiently defined to establish its commercial viability. There must be a reasonable expectation that all required internal and external approvals will be forthcoming, and there is evidence of firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time frame.
		A reasonable time frame for the initiation of development depends on the specific circumstances and varies according to the scope of the project. While 5 years is recommended as a benchmark, a longer time frame could be applied where, for example, development of economic projects are deferred at the option of the producer for, among other things, market-related reasons, or to meet contractual or strategic objectives. In all cases, the justification for classification as Reserves should be clearly documented.
		To be included in the Reserves class, there must be a high confidence in the commercial producibility of the reservoir as supported by actual production or formation tests. In certain cases, Reserves may be assigned on the basis of well logs and/or core analysis that indicate that the subject reservoir is hydrocarbon- bearing and is analogous to reservoirs in the same area that are producing or have demonstrated the ability to produce on formation tests.
On Production	The development project is currently producing and selling petroleum to market.	The key criterion is that the project is receiving income from sales, rather than the approved development project necessarily being complete. This is the point at which the project "chance of commerciality" can be said to be 100%.
		The project "decision gate" is the decision to initiate commercial production from the project.
Approved for Development	All necessary approvals have been obtained, capital funds have been committed, and implementation of the development project is under way.	At this point, it must be certain that the development project is going ahead. The project must not be subject to any contingencies such as outstanding regulatory approvals or sales contracts. Forecast capital expenditures should be included in the reporting entity's current or following year's approved budget.
		The project "decision gate" is the decision to start investing capital in the construction of production facilities and/or drilling development wells.

Class/Sub-Class	Definition	Guidelines
Justified for Development	Implementation of the development project is justified on the basis of reasonable forecast commercial conditions at the time of reporting, and there are reasonable expectations that all necessary approvals/contracts will be obtained.	In order to move to this level of project maturity, and hence have reserves associated with it, the development project must be commercially viable at the time of reporting, based on the reporting entity's assumptions of future prices, costs, etc. ("forecast case") and the specific circumstances of the project. Evidence of a firm intention to proceed with development within a reasonable time frame will be sufficient to demonstrate commerciality. There should be a development plan in sufficient detail to support the assessment of commerciality and a reasonable expectation that any regulatory approvals or sales contracts required prior to project implementation will be forthcoming. Other than such approvals/contracts, there should be no known contingencies that could preclude the development from proceeding within a reasonable timeframe (see Reserves class). The project "decision gate" is the decision by the reporting entity and its partners, if any, that the project has reached a level of technical and commercial maturity sufficient to justify proceeding with development at that point in time.
Contingent Resources	Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations by application of development projects, but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable due to one or more contingencies.	Contingent Resources may include, for example, projects for which there are currently no viable markets, or where commercial recovery is dependent on technology under development, or where evaluation of the accumulation is insufficient to clearly assess commerciality. Contingent Resources are further categorized in accordance with the level of certainty associated with the estimates and may be sub-classified based on project maturity and/or characterized by their economic status.
Development Pending	A discovered accumulation where project activities are ongoing to justify commercial development in the foreseeable future.	The project is seen to have reasonable potential for eventual commercial development, to the extent that further data acquisition (e.g. drilling, seismic data) and/or evaluations are currently ongoing with a view to confirming that the project is commercially viable and providing the basis for selection of an appropriate development plan. The critical contingencies have been identified and are reasonably expected to be resolved within a reasonable time frame. Note that disappointing appraisal/evaluation results could lead to a re-classification of the project to "On Hold" or "Not Viable" status. The project "decision gate" is the decision to undertake further data acquisition and/or studies designed to move the project to a level of technical and commercial maturity at which a decision can be made to proceed with development and production.

Class/Sub-Class	Definition	Guidelines
Development Unclarified or on Hold	A discovered accumulation where project activities are on hold and/or where justification as a commercial development may be subject to significant delay.	The project is seen to have potential for eventual commercial development, but further appraisal/evaluation activities are on hold pending the removal of significant contingencies external to the project, or substantial further appraisal/evaluation activities are required to clarify the potential for eventual commercial development. Development may be subject to a significant time delay. Note that a change in circumstances, such that there is no longer a reasonable expectation that a critical contingency can be removed in the foreseeable future, for example, could lead to a reclassification of the project to "Not Viable" status.
		The project "decision gate" is the decision to either proceed with additional evaluation designed to clarify the potential for eventual commercial development or to temporarily suspend or delay further activities pending resolution of external contingencies.
Development Not Viable	A discovered accumulation for which there are no current plans to develop or to acquire additional data at the time due to limited production potential.	The project is not seen to have potential for eventual commercial development at the time of reporting, but the theoretically recoverable quantities are recorded so that the potential opportunity will be recognized in the event of a major change in technology or commercial conditions.
		The project "decision gate" is the decision not to undertake any further data acquisition or studies on the project for the foreseeable future.
Prospective Resources	Those quantities of petroleum which are estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations.	Potential accumulations are evaluated according to their chance of discovery and, assuming a discovery, the estimated quantities that would be recoverable under defined development projects. It is recognized that the development programs will be of significantly less detail and depend more heavily on analog developments in the earlier phases of exploration.
Prospect	A project associated with a potential accumulation that is sufficiently well defined to represent a viable drilling target.	Project activities are focused on assessing the chance of discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recoverable quantities under a commercial development program.
Lead	A project associated with a potential accumulation that is currently poorly defined and requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to be classified as a prospect.	Project activities are focused on acquiring additional data and/or undertaking further evaluation designed to confirm whether or not the lead can be matured into a prospect. Such evaluation includes the assessment of the chance of discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recovery under feasible development scenarios.
Play	A project associated with a prospective trend of potential prospects, but which requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to define specific leads or prospects.	Project activities are focused on acquiring additional data and/or undertaking further evaluation designed to define specific leads or prospects for more detailed analysis of their chance of discovery and, assuming discovery, the range of potential recovery under hypothetical development scenarios.

Table 2: Reserves Status Definitions and Guidelines

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Status	Definition	Guidelines Reserves are considered developed only after the necessary equipment has been installed, or when the costs to do so are relatively minor compared to the cost of a well. Where required facilities become unavailable, it may be necessary to reclassify Developed Reserves as Undeveloped. Developed Reserves may be further sub-classified as Producing or Non-Producing.		
Developed Reserves	Developed Reserves are expected quantities to be recovered from existing wells and facilities.			
Developed Producing Reserves	Developed Producing Reserves are expected to be recovered from completion intervals that are open and producing at the time of the estimate.	Improved recovery reserves are considered producing only after the improved recovery project is in operation.		
Developed Non- Producing Reserves	Developed Non-Producing Reserves include shut-in and behind-pipe Reserves.	Shut-in Reserves are expected to be recovered from (1) completion intervals which are open at the time of the estimate but which have not yet started producing, (2) wells which were shut-in for market conditions or pipeline connections, or (3) wells not capable of production for mechanical reasons. Behind-pipe Reserves are expected to be recovered from zones in existing wells which will require additional completion work or future recompletion prior to start of production. In all cases, production can be initiated or restored with relatively low expenditure compared to the cost of drilling a new well.		
Undeveloped Reserves	Undeveloped Reserves are quantities expected to be recovered through future investments:	(1) from new wells on undrilled acreage in known accumulations, (2) from deepening existing wells to a different (but known) reservoir, (3) from infill wells that will increase recovery, or (4) where a relatively large expenditure (e.g. when compared to the cost of drilling a new well) is required to (a) recomplete an existing well or (b) install production or transportation facilities for primary or improved recovery projects.		

Category	Definition	Guidelines
Proved Reserves	Proved Reserves are those quantities of petroleum, which by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially	If deterministic methods are used, the term reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate.
	recoverable, from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations.	The area of the reservoir considered as Proved includes (1) the area delineated by drilling and defined by fluid contacts, if any, and (2) adjacent undrilled portions of the reservoir that can reasonably be judged as continuous with it and commercially productive on the basis of available geoscience and engineering data.
		In the absence of data on fluid contacts, Proved quantities in a reservoir are limited by the lowest known hydrocarbon (LKH) as seen in a well penetration unless otherwise indicated by definitive geoscience, engineering, or performance data. Such definitive information may include pressure gradient analysis and seismic indicators. Seismic data alone may not be sufficient to define fluid contacts for Proved reserves (see "2001 Supplemental Guidelines," Chapter 8).
		 Reserves in undeveloped locations may be classified as Proved provided that: The locations are in undrilled areas of the reservoir that can be judged with reasonable certainty to be commercially productive. Interpretations of available geoscience and engineering data indicate with reasonable certainty that the objective formation is laterally continuous with drilled Proved locations.
		For Proved Reserves, the recovery efficiency applied to these reservoirs should be defined based on a range of possibilities supported by analogs and sound engineering judgment considering the characteristics of the Proved area and the applied development program.
Probable Reserves	Probable Reserves are those additional Reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than	It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated Proved plus Probable Reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate.
	Possible Reserves.	Probable Reserves may be assigned to areas of a reservoir adjacent to Proved where data control or interpretations of available data are less certain. The interpreted reservoir continuity may not meet the reasonable certainty criteria.
		Probable estimates also include incremental recoveries associated with project recovery efficiencies beyond that assumed for Proved.

Table 3: Reserves Category Definitions and Guidelines

Category	Definition	Guidelines
Possible Reserves	Possible Reserves are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves.	The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P), which is equivalent to the high estimate scenario. When probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate.
		Possible Reserves may be assigned to areas of a reservoir adjacent to Probable where data control and interpretations of available data are progressively less certain. Frequently, this may be in areas where geoscience and engineering data are unable to clearly define the area and vertical reservoir limits of commercial production from the reservoir by a defined project.
		Possible estimates also include incremental quantities associated with project recovery efficiencies beyond that assumed for Probable.
Probable and Possible Reserves	(See above for separate criteria for Probable Reserves and Possible Reserves.)	The 2P and 3P estimates may be based on reasonable alternative technical and commercial interpretations within the reservoir and/or subject project that are clearly documented, including comparisons to results in successful similar projects. In conventional accumulations, Probable and/or Possible Reserves may be assigned where geoscience and engineering data identify directly adjacent portions of a reservoir within the same accumulation that may be separated from Proved areas by minor faulting or other geological discontinuities and have not been penetrated by a wellbore but are interpreted to be in communication with the known (Proved) reservoir. Probable or Possible Reserves may be assigned to areas that are structurally higher than the Proved area. Possible (and in some cases, Probable) Reserves may be assigned to areas that are structurally lower than the adjacent Proved or 2P area. Caution should be exercised in assigning Reserves to adjacent reservoir is penetrated and evaluated as commercially productive. Justification for assigning Reserves in such cases should be clearly documented. Reserves should not be assigned to areas that are clearly separated from a known accumulation by non-productive reservoir (i.e., absence of reservoir, structurally low reservoir, or negative test results); such areas may contain Prospective Resources.
		In conventional accumulations, where drilling has defined a highest known oil (HKO) elevation and there exists the potential for an associated gas cap, Proved oil Reserves should only be assigned in the structurally higher portions of the reservoir if there is reasonable certainty that such portions are initially above bubble point pressure based on documented engineering analyses. Reservoir portions that do not meet this certainty may be assigned as Probable and Possible oil and/or gas based on reservoir fluid properties and pressure gradient interpretations.

Appendix A: Glossary of Terms Used in Resources Evaluations

Originally published in January 2005, the SPE/WPC/AAPG Glossary has herein been revised to align with the 2007 SPE/WPC/AAPG/SPEE Petroleum Resources Management System document. The glossary provides high-level definitions of terms use in resource evaluations. Where appropriate, sections and/or chapters within the 2007 and/or 2001 documents are referenced to best show the use of selected terms in context.

TERM	Reference	DEFINITION	
1C	2007 - 2.2.2	Denotes low estimate scenario of Contingent Resources.	
2C	2007 - 2.2.2	Denotes best estimate scenario of Contingent Resources.	
3C	2007 - 2.2.2	Denotes high estimate scenario of Contingent Resources.	
1P	2007 - 2.2.2	Taken to be equivalent to Proved Reserves; denotes low estimate scenario of Reserves.	
2P	2007 - 2.2.2	Taken to be equivalent to the sum of Proved plus Probable Reserves; denotes best estimate scenario of Reserves.	
3P	2007 - 2.2.2	Taken to be equivalent to the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible Reserves; denotes high estimate scenario of reserves.	
Accumulation	2001 - 2.3	An individual body of naturally occurring petroleum in a reservoir.	
Aggregation	2007 - 3.5.1 2001 - 6	The process of summing reservoir (or project) level estimates of resource quantities to higher levels or combinations such as field, country or company totals. Arithmetic summation of incremental categories may yield different results from probabilistic aggregation of distributions.	
Approved for Development	2007 - Table I	All necessary approvals have been obtained, capital funds have been committed, and implementation of the development project is underway.	
Analogous Reservoir	2007 - 3.4.1	Analogous reservoirs, as used in resources assessments, have similar rock and fluid properties, reservoir conditions (depth, temperature and pressure) and drive mechanisms, but are typically at a more advanced stage of development than the reservoir of interest and thus may provide concepts to assist in the interpretation of more limited data and estimation of recovery.	
Assessment	2007 - 1.2	See Evaluation.	
Associated Gas		Associated Gas is a natural gas found in contact with or dissolved in crude oil in the reservoir. It can be further categorized as Gas-Cap Gas or Solution Gas.	
Barrels of Oil Equivalent (BOE)	2001 - 3.7	See Crude Oil Equivalent.	
Basin-Centered Gas	2007 - 2.4	An unconventional natural gas accumulation that is regionally pervasive and characterized by low permeability, abnormal pressure, gas saturated reservoirs and lack of a down-dip water leg.	

Behind-Pipe Reserves	2007 - 2.1.3.1	Behind-pipe reserves are expected to be recovered from zones in existing wells, which will require additional completion work or future re-completion prior to the start of production. In all cases, production can be initiated or restored with relatively low expenditure compared to the cost of drilling a new well.
Best Estimate	2007 - 2.2.2 2001 - 2.5	With respect to resource categorization, this is considered to be the best estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered from the accumulation by the project. It is the most realistic assessment of recoverable quantities if only a single result were reported. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability (P50) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the best estimate.
Bitumen	2007 - 2.4	See Natural Bitumen.
Buy Back Agreement		An agreement between a host government and a contractor under which the host pays the contractor an agreed price for all volumes of hydrocarbons produced by the contractor. Pricing mechanisms typically provide the contractor with an opportunity to recover investment at an agreed level of profit.
Carried Interest	2001 - 9.6.7	A carried interest is an agreement under which one party (the carrying party) agrees to pay for a portion or all of the pre-production costs of another party (the carried party) on a license in which both own a portion of the working interest.
Chance	2007 - 1.1	Chance is 1- Risk. (See Risk)
Coalbed Methane (CBM)	2007 - 2.4	Natural gas contained in coal deposits, whether or not stored in gaseous phase. Coalbed gas, although usually mostly methane, may be produced with variable amounts of inert or even non-inert gases. (Also termed Coal Seam Gas, CSG, or Natural Gas from Coal, NGC)
Commercial	2007 - 2.1.2 and Table 1	When a project is commercial, this implies that the essential social, environmental and economic conditions are met, including political, legal, regulatory and contractual conditions. In addition, a project is commercial if the degree of commitment is such that the accumulation is expected to be developed and placed on production within a reasonable time frame. While 5 years is recommended as a benchmark, a longer time frame could be applied where, for example, development of economic projects are deferred at the option of the producer for, among other things, market-related reasons, or to meet contractual or strategic objectives. In all cases, the justification for classification as Reserves should be clearly documented.
Committed Project	2007 - 2.1.2 and Table 1	Projects are committed only when it can be demonstrated that there is a firm intention to develop them and bring them to production. Intention may be demonstrated with funding/financial plans and declaration of commerciality based on realistic expectations of regulatory approvals and reasonable satisfaction of other conditions that would otherwise prevent the project from being developed and brought to production.

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Completion		Completion of a well. The process by which a well is brought to its final classification—basically dry hole, producer, injector, or monitor well. A dry hole is normally plugged and abandoned. A well deemed to be producible of petroleum, or used as an injector, is completed by establishing a connection between the reservoir(s) and the surface so that fluids can be produced from, or injected into, the reservoir. Various methods are utilized to establish this connection, but they commonly involve the installation of some combination of borehole equipment, casing and tubing, and surface injection or production facilities.
Completion Interval		The specific reservoir interval(s) that is (are) open to the borehole and connected to the surface facilities for production or injection, or reservoir intervals open to the wellbore and each other for injection purposes.
Concession	2001 - 9.6.1	A grant of access for a defined area and time period that transfers certain entitlements to produced hydrocarbons from the host country to an enterprise. The enterprise is generally responsible for exploration, development, production, and sale of hydrocarbons that may be discovered. Typically granted under a legislated fiscal system where the host country collects taxes, fees, and sometimes royalty on profits earned.
Condensate	2001 - 3.2	Condensates are a mixture of hydrocarbons (mainly pentanes and heavier) that exist in the gaseous phase at original temperature and pressure of the reservoir, but when produced, are in the liquid phase at surface pressure and temperature conditions. Condensate differs from natural gas liquids (NGL) on two respects: (1) NGL is extracted and recovered in gas plants rather than lease separators or other lease facilities; and (2) NGL includes very light hydrocarbons (ethane, propane, butanes) as well as the pentanes-plus that are the main constituents of condensate.
Conditions	2007 - 3.1	The economic, marketing, legal, environmental, social, and governmental factors forecast to exist and impact the project during the time period being evaluated (also termed Contingencies).
Constant Case	2007 - 3.1.1	Modifier applied to project resources estimates and associated cash flows when such estimates are based on those conditions (including costs and product prices) that are fixed at a defined point in time (or period average) and are applied unchanged throughout the project life, other than those permitted contractually. In other words, no inflation or deflation adjustments are made to costs or revenues over the evaluation period.
Contingency	2007 - 3.1 and Table 1	See Conditions.
Contingent Project	2007 - 2.1.2	Development and production of recoverable quantities has not been committed due to conditions that may or may not be fulfilled.
Contingent Resources	2007 - 1.1 and Table 1	Those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from known accumulations by application of development projects but which are not currently considered to be commercially recoverable due to one or more contingencies. Contingent Resources are a class of discovered recoverable resources.
Continuous- Type Deposit	2007 - 2.4 2001 - 2.3	A petroleum accumulation that is pervasive throughout a large area and which is not significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences. Such accumulations are included in Unconventional Resources. Examples of such deposits include "basin-centered" gas, shale gas, gas hydrates, natural bitumen and oil shale accumulations.

Conventional Crude Oil	2007 - 2.4	Crude oil flowing naturally or capable of being pumped without further processing or dilution (see Crude Oil).
Conventional Gas	2007 - 2.4	Conventional Gas is a natural gas occurring in a normal porous and permeable reservoir rock, either in the gaseous phase or dissolved in crude oil, and which technically can be produced by normal production practices.
Conventional Resources	2007 - 2.4	Conventional resources exist in discrete petroleum accumulations related to localized geological structural features and/or stratigraphic conditions, typically with each accumulation bounded by a downdip contact with an aquifer, and which is significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences such as buoyancy of petroleum in water.
Conveyance	2001 - 9.6.9	Certain transactions that are in substance borrowings repayable in cash or its equivalent and shall be accounted for as borrowings and may not qualify for the recognition and reporting of oil and gas reserves.
Cost Recovery	2001 - 9.6.2, 9.7.2	Under a typical production-sharing agreement, the contractor is responsible for the field development and all exploration and development expenses. In return, the contractor recovers costs (investments and operating expenses) out of the gross production stream. The contractor normally receives payment in oil production and is exposed to both technical and market risks.
Crude Oil	2001 - 3.1	Crude oil is the portion of petroleum that exists in the liquid phase in natural underground reservoirs and remains liquid at atmospheric conditions of pressure and temperature. Crude oil may include small amounts of non-hydrocarbons produced with the liquids but does not include liquids obtained from the processing of natural gas.
Crude Oil Equivalent	2001 - 3.7	Converting gas volumes to the oil equivalent is customarily done on the basis of the nominal heating content or calorific value of the fuel. There are a number of methodologies in common use. Before aggregating, the gas volumes first must be converted to the same temperature and pressure. Common industry gas conversion factors usually range between 1 barrel of oil equivalent (BOE) = $5,600$ standard cubic feet (scf) of gas to 1 BOE = $6,000$ scf. (Many operators use 1 BOE = $5,620$ scf derived from the metric unit equivalent 1 m ³ crude oil = $1,000$ m ³ natural gas). (Also termed Barrels of Oil Equivalent.)
Cumulative Production	2007 - 1.1	The sum of production of oil and gas to date (see also Production).
Current Economic Conditions	2007 - 3.1.1	Establishment of current economic conditions should include relevant historical petroleum prices and associated costs and may involve a defined averaging period. The SPE guidelines recommend that a 1-year historical average of costs and prices should be used as the default basis of "constant case" resources estimates and associated project cash flows.
Cushion Gas Volume		With respect to underground natural gas storage, Cushion Gas Volume (CGV) is the gas volume required in a storage field for reservoir management purposes and to maintain adequate minimum storage pressure for meeting working gas volume delivery with the required withdrawal profile. In caverns, the cushion gas volume is also required for stability reasons. The cushion gas volume may consist of recoverable and non-recoverable in-situ gas volumes and injected gas volumes.
Deposit	2007 - 2.4	Material laid down by a natural process. In resource evaluations, it identifies an accumulation of hydrocarbons in a reservoir (see Accumulation).

Deterministic Estimate	2007 - 3.5	The method of estimation of Reserves or Resources is called deterministic if a discrete estimate(s) is made based on known geoscience, engineering, and economic data.	
Developed Reserves	2007 - 2.1.3.2 and Table 2	Developed Reserves are expected to be recovered from existing wells including reserves behind pipe. Improved recovery reserves are considered "developed" only after the necessary equipment has been installed, or when the costs to do so are relatively minor compared to the cost of a well. Developed Reserves may be further sub-classified as Producing or Non-Producing.	
Developed Producing Reserves	2007 - 2.1.3.2 and Table 2	Developed Producing Reserves are expected to be recovered from completion intervals that are open and producing at the time of the estimate. Improved recovery reserves are considered producing only after the improved recovery project is in operation.	
Developed Non-Producing Reserves	2007 - 2.1.3.2 and Table 2	Developed Non-Producing Reserves include shut-in and behind-pipe Reserves. Shut-in Reserves are expected to be recovered from (1) completion intervals which are open at the time of the estimate but which have not yet started producing, (2) wells which were shut in for market conditions or pipeline connections, or (3) wells not capable of production for mechanical reasons. Behind-pipe Reserves are also those expected to be recovered from zones in existing wells which will require additional completion work or future re- completion prior to start of production. In all cases, production can be initiated or restored with relatively low expenditure compared to the cost of drilling a new well.	
Development Not Viable	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A discovered accumulation for which there are no current plans to develop or to acquire additional data at the time due to limited production potential. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project towards commercial production.	
Development Pending	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A discovered accumulation where project activities are ongoing to justify commercial development in the foreseeable future. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project towards commercial production.	
Development Plan	2007 - 1.2	The design specifications, timing and cost estimates of the development project including, but not limited to, well locations, completion techniques, drilling methods, processing facilities, transportation and marketing. (See also Project.)	
Development Unclarified or On Hold	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A discovered accumulation where project activities are on hold and/or where justification as a commercial development may be subject to significant delay. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.	
Discovered	2007 - 2.1.1	A discovery is one petroleum accumulation, or several petroleum accumulations collectively, for which one or several exploratory wells have established through testing, sampling, and/or logging the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons. In this context, "significant" implies that there is evidence of a sufficient quantity of petroleum to justify estimating the in- place volume demonstrated by the well(s) and for evaluating the potential for economic recovery. (See also Known Accumulations.)	

Discovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place	2007 - 1.1	Discovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place is that quantity of petroleum that is estimated, as of a given date, to be contained in known accumulations prior to production. Discovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place may be subdivided into Commercial, Sub-Commercial, and Unrecoverable, with the estimated commercially recoverable portion being classified as Reserves and the estimated sub-commercial recoverable portion being classified as Contingent Resources.
Dry Gas	2001 - 3.2	Dry Gas is a natural gas remaining after hydrocarbon liquids have been removed prior to the reference point. The dry gas and removed hydrocarbon liquids are accounted for separately in resource assessments. It should be recognized that this is a resource assessment definition and not a phase behavior definition. (Also called Lean Gas.)
Dry Hole	2001 - 2.5	A well found to be incapable of producing either oil or gas in sufficient quantities to justify completion as an oil or gas well.
Economic	2007 - 3.1.2 2001 - 4.3	In relation to petroleum Reserves and Resources, economic refers to the situation where the income from an operation exceeds the expenses involved in, or attributable to, that operation.
Economic Interest	2001 - 9.4.1	An Economic Interest is possessed in every case in which an investor has acquired any Interest in mineral in place and secures, by any form of legal relationship, revenue derived from the extraction of the mineral to which he must look for a return of his capital.
Economic Limit	2007 - 3.1.2 2001 - 4.3	Economic limit is defined as the production rate beyond which the net operating cash flows (after royalties or share of production owing to others) from a project, which may be an individual well, lease, or entire field, are negative.
Entitlement	2007 - 3.3	That portion of future production (and thus resources) legally accruing to a lessee or contractor under the terms of the development and production contract with a lessor.
Entity	2007 - 3.0	Entity is a legal construct capable of bearing legal rights and obligations. In resources evaluations this typically refers to the lessee or contractor, which is some form of legal corporation (or consortium of corporations). In a broader sense, an entity can be an organization of any form and may include governments or their agencies.
Estimated Ultimate Recovery (EUR)	2007 - 1.1	Those quantities of petroleum which are estimated, on a given date, to be potentially recoverable from an accumulation, plus those quantities already produced therefrom.
Evaluation	2007- 3.0	The geosciences, engineering, and associated studies, including economic analyses, conducted on a petroleum exploration, development, or producing project resulting in estimates of the quantities that can be recovered and sold and the associated cash flow under defined forward conditions. Projects are classified and estimates of derived quantities are categorized according to applicable guidelines. (Also termed Assessment.)
Evaluator	2007 - 1.2, 2.1.2	The person or group of persons responsible for performing an evaluation of a project. These may be employees of the entities that have an economic interest in the project or independent consultants contracted for reviews and audits. In all cases, the entity accepting the evaluation takes responsibility for the results, including Reserves and Resources and attributed value estimates.
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Exploration		Prospecting for undiscovered petroleum
Field	2001 - 2.3	An area consisting of a single reservoir or multiple reservoirs all grouped on, or related to, the same individual geological structural feature and/or stratigraphic condition. There may be two or more reservoirs in a field that are separated vertically by intervening impermeable rock, laterally by local geologic barriers, or both. The term may be defined differently by individual regulatory authorities.
Flare Gas	2007 - 3.2.2 2001 - 3.1	Total volume of gas vented or burned as part of production and processing operations.
Flow Test	2007 - 2.1.1	An operation on a well designed to demonstrate the existence of moveable petroleum in a reservoir by establishing flow to the surface and/or to provide an indication of the potential productivity of that reservoir (such as a wireline formation test).
Fluid Contacts	2007 - 2.2.2	The surface or interface in a reservoir separating two regions characterized by predominant differences in fluid saturations. Because of capillary and other phenomena, fluid saturation change is not necessarily abrupt or complete, nor is the surface necessarily horizontal.
Forecast Case	2007 - 3.1.1	Modifier applied to project resources estimates and associated cash flow when such estimates are based on those conditions (including costs and product price schedules) forecast by the evaluator to reasonably exist throughout the life of the project. Inflation or deflation adjustments are made to costs and revenues over the evaluation period.
Forward Sales	2001 - 9.6.6	There are a variety of forms of transactions that involve the advance of funds to the owner of an interest in an oil and gas property in exchange for the right to receive the cash proceeds of production, or the production itself, arising from the future operation of the property. In such transactions, the owner almost invariably has a future performance obligation, the outcome of which is uncertain to some degree. Determination as to whether the transaction represents a sale or financing rests on the particular circumstances of each case.
Fuel Gas	2007 - 3.2.2	See Lease Fuel.
Gas Balance	2007 - 3.2.7 2001 - 3.10	In gas production operations involving multiple working interest owners, an imbalance in gas deliveries can occur. These imbalances must be monitored over time and eventually balanced in accordance with accepted accounting procedures.

Gas Cap Gas	2001 - 6.2.2	Gas Cap Gas is a free natural gas which overlies and is in contact with crude oil in the reservoir. It is a subset of Associated Gas.
Gas Hydrates	2007 - 2.4	Gas hydrates are naturally occurring crystalline substances composed of water and gas, in which a solid water lattice accommodates gas molecules in a cage- like structure, or clathrate. At conditions of standard temperature and pressure (STP), one volume of saturated methane hydrate will contain as much as 164 volumes of methane gas. Because of this large gas-storage capacity, gas hydrates are thought to represent an important future source of natural gas. Gas hydrates are included in unconventional resources, but the technology to support commercial production has yet to be developed.
Gas Inventory	1.1	With respect to underground natural gas storage, "gas inventory" is the sum of Working Gas Volume and Cushion Gas Volume.
Gas/Oil Ratio	2007 - 3.4.4	Gas to oil ratio in an oil field, calculated using measured natural gas and crude oil volumes at stated conditions. The gas/oil ratio may be the solution gas/oil, symbol R_s ; produced gas/oil ratio, symbol R_p ; or another suitably defined ratio of gas production to oil production.
Gas Plant Products		Gas Plant Products are natural gas liquids (or components) recovered from natural gas in gas processing plants and, in some situations, from field facilities. Gas Plant Products include ethane, propane, butanes, butanes/propane mixtures, natural gasoline and plant condensates, sulfur, carbon dioxide, nitrogen, and helium.
Gas-to-Liquids (GTL) Projects		Gas-to-Liquids projects use specialized processing (e.g., Fischer-Tropsch synthesis) to convert natural gas into liquid petroleum products. Typically, these projects are applied to large gas accumulations where lack of adequate infrastructure or local markets would make conventional natural gas development projects uneconomic.
Geostatistical Methods	2001 - 7.1	A variety of mathematical techniques and processes dealing with the collection, methods, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of masses of geoscience and engineering data to (mathematically) describe the variability and uncertainties within any reservoir unit or pool, specifically related here to resources estimates, including the definition of (all) well and reservoir parameters in 1, 2, and 3 dimensions and the resultant modeling and potential prediction of various aspects of performance.
High Estimate	2007 - 2.2.2 2001 - 2.5	With respect to resource categorization, this is considered to be an optimistic estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered from an accumulation by a project. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability (P10) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the high estimate.
Hydrocarbons	2007 - 1.1	Hydrocarbons are chemical compounds consisting wholly of hydrogen and carbon.

Improved Recovery (IR)	2007 - 2.3.4	Improved Recovery is the extraction of additional petroleum, beyond Primary Recovery, from naturally occurring reservoirs by supplementing the natural forces in the reservoir. It includes waterflooding and gas injection for pressure maintenance, secondary processes, tertiary processes and any other means of supplementing natural reservoir recovery processes. Improved recovery also includes thermal and chemical processes to improve the in-situ mobility of viscous forms of petroleum. (Also called Enhanced Recovery.)
Injection	2001 - 3.5 2007 - 3.2.5	The forcing, pumping, or free flow under vacuum, of substances into a porous and permeable subsurface rock formation. Injected substances can include either gases or liquids.
Justified for Development	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	Implementation of the development project is justified on the basis of reasonable forecast commercial conditions at the time of reporting and that there are reasonable expectations that all necessary approvals/contracts will be obtained. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.
Kerogen		The naturally occurring, solid, insoluble organic material that occurs in source rocks and can yield oil upon heating. Kerogen is also defined as the fraction of large chemical aggregates in sedimentary organic matter that is insoluble in solvents (in contrast, the fraction that is soluble in organic solvents is called bitumen). (See also Oil Shales.)
Known Accumulation	2007 - 2.1.1 2001 - 2.2	An accumulation is an individual body of petroleum-in-place. The key requirement to consider an accumulation as "known," and hence containing Reserves or Contingent Resources, is that it must have been discovered, that is, penetrated by a well that has established through testing, sampling, or logging the existence of a significant quantity of recoverable hydrocarbons.
Lead	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A project associated with a potential accumulation that is currently poorly defined and requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to be classified as a prospect. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.
Lease Condensate		Lease Condensate is condensate recovered from produced natural gas in gas/liquid separators or field facilities.
Lease Fuel	2007 - 3.2.2	Oil and/or gas used for field and processing plant operations. For consistency, quantities consumed as lease fuel should be treated as shrinkage. However, regulatory guidelines may allow lease fuel to be included in Reserves estimates. Where claimed as Reserves, such fuel quantities should be reported separately from sales, and their value must be included as an operating expense.
Lease Plant		A general term referring to processing facilities that are dedicated to one or more development projects and the petroleum is processed without prior custody transfer from the owners of the extraction project (for gas projects, also termed "Local Gas Plant").
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Project		Liquefied Natural Gas projects use specialized cryogenic processing to convert natural gas into liquid form for tanker transport. LNG is about 1/614 the volume of natural gas at standard temperature and pressure.
Loan Agreement	2001 - 9.6.5	A loan agreement is typically used by a bank, other investor, or partner to finance all or part of an oil and gas project. Compensation for funds advanced is limited to a specified interest rate.

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Low/Best/High Estimates	2007 - 2.2.1, 2.2.2	The range of uncertainty reflects a reasonable range of estimated potentially recoverable volumes at varying degrees of uncertainty (using the cumulative scenario approach) for an individual accumulation or a project.
Low Estimate	2007 - 2.2.2 2001 - 2.5	With respect to resource categorization, this is considered to be a conservative estimate of the quantity that will actually be recovered from the accumulation by a project. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability (P90) that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the low estimate.
Lowest Known Hydrocarbons	2007 - 2.2.2.	The deepest occurrence of a producible hydrocarbon accumulation as interpreted from well log, flow test, pressure measurement, or core data.
Marginal Contingent Resources	2007 - 2.1.3.3	Known (discovered) accumulations for which a development project(s) has been evaluated as economic or reasonably expected to become economic but commitment is withheld because of one or more contingencies (e.g., lack of market and/or infrastructure).
Measurement	2007 - 3.0	The process of establishing quantity (volume or mass) and quality of petroleum products delivered to a reference point under conditions defined by delivery contract or regulatory authorities.
Mineral Interest	2001 - 9.3	Mineral Interests in properties including (1) a fee ownership or lease, concession, or other interest representing the right to extract oil or gas subject to such terms as may be imposed by the conveyance of that interest; (2) royalty interests, production payments payable in oil or gas, and other non-operating interests in properties operated by others; and (3) those agreements with foreign governments or authorities under which a reporting entity participates in the operation of the related properties or otherwise serves as producer of the underlying reserves (as opposed to being an independent purchaser, broker, dealer, or importer).
Monte Carlo Simulation	2001 - 5 2007 - 3.5	A type of stochastic mathematical simulation that randomly and repeatedly samples input distributions (e.g., reservoir properties) to generate a resulting distribution (e.g., recoverable petroleum volumes).
Natural Bitumen	2007 - 2.4	Natural Bitumen is the portion of petroleum that exists in the semisolid or solid phase in natural deposits. In its natural state, it usually contains sulfur, metals, and other non-hydrocarbons. Natural Bitumen has a viscosity greater than 10,000 milliPascals per second (mPa.s) (or centipoises) measured at original temperature in the deposit and atmospheric pressure, on a gas free basis. In its natural viscous state, it is not normally recoverable at commercial rates through a well and requires the implementation of improved recovery methods such as steam injection. Natural Bitumen generally requires upgrading prior to normal refining. (Also called Crude Bitumen.)
Natural Gas	2007 - 3.2.3 2001 - 6.6, 9.4.4	Natural Gas is the portion of petroleum that exists either in the gaseous phase or is in solution in crude oil in natural underground reservoirs, and which is gaseous at atmospheric conditions of pressure and temperature. Natural Gas may include some amount of non-hydrocarbons.

Natural Gas Inventory		With respect to underground natural gas storage operations "inventory" is the total of working and cushion gas volumes.
Natural Gas Liquids	2007 - A13 2001 - 3.2, 9.4.4	Natural Gas Liquids (NGL) are a mixture of light hydrocarbons that exist in the gaseous phase and are recovered as liquids in gas processing plants. NGL differs from condensate in two principal respects: (1) NGL is extracted and recovered in gas plants rather than lease separators or other lease facilities, and (2) NGL includes very light hydrocarbons (ethane, propane, butanes) as well as the pentanes-plus that are the main constituents of condensates.
Natural Gas Liquids to Gas Ratio		Natural gas liquids to gas ratio in an oil or gas field, calculated using measured natural gas liquids and gas volumes at stated conditions.
Net-Back	2007 - 3.2.1	Linkage of input resource to the market price of the refined products.
Net Profits Interest	2001 - 9.4.4	An interest that receives a portion of the net proceeds from a well, typically after all costs have been paid.
Net Working Interest	2001 - 9.6.1	A company's working interest reduced by royalties or share of production owing to others under applicable lease and fiscal terms. (Also called Net Revenue Interest.)
Non- Hydrocarbon Gas	2007 - 3.2.4 2001 - 3.3	Natural occurring associated gases such as nitrogen, carbon dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, and helium. If non-hydrocarbon gases are present, the reported volumes should reflect the condition of the gas at the point of sale. Correspondingly, the accounts will reflect the value of the gas product at the point of sale.
Non-Associated Gas		Non-Associated Gas is a natural gas found in a natural reservoir that does not contain crude oil.
Normal Production Practices		Production practices that involve flow of fluids through wells to surface facilities that involve only physical separation of fluids and, if necessary, solids. Wells can be stimulated, using techniques including, but not limited to, hydraulic fracturing, acidization, various other chemical treatments, and thermal methods, and they can be artificially lifted (e.g., with pumps or gas lift). Transportation methods can include mixing with diluents to enable flow, as well as conventional methods of compression or pumping. Practices that involve chemical reforming of molecules of the produced fluids are considered manufacturing processes.
Oil Sands		Sand deposits highly saturated with natural bitumen. Also called "Tar Sands." Note that in deposits such as the western Canada "oil sands," significant quantities of natural bitumen may be hosted in a range of lithologies including siltstones and carbonates.
Oil Shales	2007 - 2.4	Shale, siltstone and marl deposits highly saturated with kerogen. Whether extracted by mining or in situ processes, the material must be extensively processed to yield a marketable product (synthetic crude oil).
Offset Well Location		Potential drill location adjacent to an existing well. The offset distance may be governed by well spacing regulations. In the absence of well spacing regulations, technical analysis of drainage areas may be used to define the spacing. For Proved volumes to be assigned to an offset well location there must be conclusive, unambiguous technical data which supports the reasonable certainty of production of hydrocarbon volumes and sufficient legal acreage to economically justify the development without going below the shallower of the fluid contact or the lowest known hydrocarbon.

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On Production	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	The development project is currently producing and selling petroleum to market. A project status/maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.
Operator		The company or individual responsible for managing an exploration, development, or production operation.
Overlift/Underlift	2007 - 3.2.7 2001 - 3.9	Production overlift or underlift can occur in annual records because of the necessity for companies to lift their entitlement in parcel sizes to suit the available shipping schedules as agreed among the parties. At any given financia year-end, a company may be in overlift or underlift. Based on the production matching the company's accounts, production should be reported in accord with and equal to the liftings actually made by the company during the year, and not on the production entitlement for the year.
Penetration	2007 - 1.2	The intersection of a wellbore with a reservoir.
Petroleum	2007 - 1.0	Petroleum is defined as a naturally occurring mixture consisting of hydrocarbons in the gaseous, liquid, or solid phase. Petroleum may also contain non- hydrocarbon compounds, common examples of which are carbon dioxide, nitrogen, hydrogen sulfide, and sulfur. In rare cases, non-hydrocarbon content could be greater than 50%.
Petroleum Initially-in-Place	2007 - 1.1	Petroleum Initially-in-Place is the total quantity of petroleum that is estimated to exist originally in naturally occurring reservoirs. Crude Oil-in-place, Natural Gas- in-place and Natural Bitumen-in-place are defined in the same manner (see Resources). (Also referred as Total Resource Base or Hydrocarbon Endowment.)
Pilot Project	2007 - 2.3.4, 2.4	A small-scale test or trial operation that is used to assess the suitability of a method for commercial application.
Play	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A project associated with a prospective trend of potential prospects, but which requires more data acquisition and/or evaluation in order to define specific leads or prospects. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.
Pool		An individual and separate accumulation of petroleum in a reservoir.
Possible Reserves	2007 - 2.2.2 and Table 3	An incremental category of estimated recoverable volumes associated with a defined degree of uncertainty. Possible Reserves are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data suggest are less likely to be recoverable than Probable Reserves. The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of Proved plus Probable plus Possible (3P), which is equivalent to the high estimate scenario. When probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate.
Primary Recovery		Primary recovery is the extraction of petroleum from reservoirs utilizing only the natural energy available in the reservoirs to move fluids through the reservoir rock to other points of recovery.
Probability	2007 - 2.2.1	The extent to which an event is likely to occur, measured by the ratio of the favorable cases to the whole number of cases possible. SPE convention is to quote cumulative probability of exceeding or equaling a quantity where P90 is the small estimate and P10 is the large estimate. (See also Uncertainty.)

Probabilistic Estimate	2007 - 3.5	The method of estimation of Resources is called probabilistic when the known geoscience, engineering, and economic data are used to generate a continuous range of estimates and their associated probabilities.
Probable Reserves	2007 - 2.2.2 and Table 3	An incremental category of estimated recoverable volumes associated with a defined degree of uncertainty. Probable Reserves are those additional Reserves that are less likely to be recovered than Proved Reserves but more certain to be recovered than Possible Reserves. It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated Proved plus Probable Reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50% probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate.
Production	2007 - 1.1	Production is the cumulative quantity of petroleum that has been actually recovered over a defined time period. While all recoverable resource estimates and production are reported in terms of the sales product specifications, raw production quantities (sales and non-sales, including non-hydrocarbons) are also measured to support engineering analyses requiring reservoir voidage calculations.
Production- Sharing Contract	2007 - 3.3.2 2001 - 9.6.2	In a production-sharing contract between a contractor and a host government, the contractor typically bears all risk and costs for exploration, development, and production. In return, if exploration is successful, the contractor is given the opportunity to recover the incurred investment from production, subject to specific limits and terms. Ownership is retained by the host government; however, the contractor normally receives title to the prescribed share of the volumes as they are produced.
Profit Split	2001 - 9.6.2	Under a typical production-sharing agreement, the contractor is responsible for the field development and all exploration and development expenses. In return, the contractor is entitled to a share of the remaining profit oil or gas. The contractor receives payment in oil or gas production and is exposed to both technical and market risks.
Project	2007 - 1.2 2001 - 2.3	Represents the link between the petroleum accumulation and the decision- making process, including budget allocation. A project may, for example, constitute the development of a single reservoir or field, or an incremental development in a producing field, or the integrated development of a group of several fields and associated facilities with a common ownership. In general, an individual project will represent a specific maturity level at which a decision is made on whether or not to proceed (i.e., spend money), and there should be an associated range of estimated recoverable resources for that project. (See also Development Plan.)
Property	2007 - 1.2 2001 - 9.4	A volume of the Earth's crust wherein a corporate entity or individual has contractual rights to extract, process, and market a defined portion of specified in-place minerals (including petroleum). Defined in general as an area but may have depth and/or stratigraphic constraints. May also be termed a lease, concession, or license.
Prorationing		The allocation of production among reservoirs and wells or allocation of pipeline capacity among shippers, etc.
Prospect	2007 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 1	A project associated with a potential accumulation that is sufficiently well defined to represent a viable drilling target. A project maturity sub-class that reflects the actions required to move a project toward commercial production.

Prospective Resources	2007 - 1.1 and Table 1	Those quantities of petroleum which are estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations.
Proved Economic	2007 - 3.1.1	In many cases, external regulatory reporting and/or financing requires that, even if only the Proved Reserves estimate for the project is actually recovered, the project will still meet minimum economic criteria; the project is then termed as "Proved Economic."
Proved Reserves	2007 - 2.2.2 and Table 3	An incremental category of estimated recoverable volumes associated with a defined degree of uncertainty Proved Reserves are those quantities of petroleum which, by analysis of geoscience and engineering data, can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable, from a given date forward, from known reservoirs and under defined economic conditions, operating methods, and government regulations. If deterministic methods are used, the term reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate. Often referred to as 1P, also as "Proven."
Purchase Contracts	2001 - 9.6.8	A contract to purchase oil and gas provides the right to purchase a specified volume of production at an agreed price for a defined term.
Pure-Service Contract	2001 - 9.7.5	A pure-service contract is an agreement between a contractor and a host government that typically covers a defined technical service to be provided or completed during a specific period of time. The service company investment is typically limited to the value of equipment, tools, and expenses for personnel used to perform the service. In most cases, the service contractor's reimbursement is fixed by the terms of the contract with little exposure to either project performance or market factors.
Range of Uncertainty	2007 - 2.2 2001 - 2.5	The range of uncertainty of the recoverable and/or potentially recoverable volumes may be represented by either deterministic scenarios or by a probability distribution. (See Resource Uncertainty Categories.)
Raw Natural Gas	2007 - 3.2.1	Raw Natural Gas is natural gas as it is produced from the reservoir. It includes water vapor and varying amounts of the heavier hydrocarbons that may liquefy in lease facilities or gas plants and may also contain sulfur compounds such as hydrogen sulfide and other non-hydrocarbon gases such as carbon dioxide, nitrogen, or helium, but which, nevertheless, is exploitable for its hydrocarbon content. Raw Natural Gas is often not suitable for direct utilization by most types of consumers.
Reasonable Certainty	2007 - 2.2.2	If deterministic methods for estimating recoverable resource quantities are used, then reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the estimated quantities will be recovered.
Reasonable Expectation	2007 - 2.1.2	Indicates a high degree of confidence (low risk of failure) that the project will proceed with commercial development or the referenced event will occur.
Reasonable Forecast	2007 - 3.1.2	Indicates a high degree of confidence in predictions of future events and commercial conditions. The basis of such forecasts includes, but is not limited to, analysis of historical records and published global economic models.
Recoverable Resources	2007 - 1.2	Those quantities of hydrocarbons that are estimated to be producible from discovered or undiscovered accumulations.

Recovery Efficiency	2007 - 2.2	A numeric expression of that portion of in-place quantities of petroleum estimated to be recoverable by specific processes or projects, most often represented as a percentage.
Reference Point	2007 - 3.2.1	A defined location within a petroleum extraction and processing operation where quantities of produced product are measured under defined conditions prior to custody transfer (or consumption). Also called Point of Sale or Custody Transfer Point.
Reserves	2007 - 1.1	Reserves are those quantities of petroleum anticipated to be commercially recoverable by application of development projects to known accumulations from a given date forward under defined conditions. Reserves must further satisfy four criteria: They must be discovered, recoverable, commercial, and remaining (as of a given date) based on the development project(s) applied.
Reservoir	2001 - 2.3	A subsurface rock formation containing an individual and separate natural accumulation of moveable petroleum that is confined by impermeable rocks/formations and is characterized by a single-pressure system.
Resources	2007 - 1.1	The term "resources" as used herein is intended to encompass all quantities of petroleum (recoverable and unrecoverable) naturally occurring on or within the Earth's crust, discovered and undiscovered, plus those quantities already produced. Further, it includes all types of petroleum whether currently considered "conventional" or "unconventional" (see Total Petroleum Initially-in-Place). (In basin potential studies, it may be referred to as Total Resource Base or Hydrocarbon Endowment.)
Resources Categories	2007 - 2.2 and Table 3	Subdivisions of estimates of resources to be recovered by a project(s) to indicate the associated degrees of uncertainty. Categories reflect uncertainties in the total petroleum remaining within the accumulation (in-place resources), that portion of the in-place petroleum that can be recovered by applying a defined development project or projects, and variations in the conditions that may impact commercial development (e.g., market availability, contractual changes)
Resources Classes	2007 - 1.1, 2.1 and Table 1	Subdivisions of Resources that indicate the relative maturity of the development projects being applied to yield the recoverable quantity estimates. Project maturity may be indicated qualitatively by allocation to classes and sub-classes and/or quantitatively by associating a project's estimated chance of reaching producing status.
Revenue- Sharing Contract	2001 - 9.6.3	Revenue-sharing contracts are very similar to the production-sharing contracts described earlier, with the exception of contractor payment. With these contracts, the contractor usually receives a defined share of revenue rather than a share of the production.
Reversionary Interest		The right of future possession of an interest in a property when a specified condition has been met.
Risk	2001 - 2.5	The probability of loss or failure. As "risk" is generally associated with the negative outcome, the term "chance" is preferred for general usage to describe the probability of a discrete event occurring.

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Reward	2001 - 9.4	From the variation in revenues due to technical and economic risks. Technical risk affects a company's ability to physically extract and recover hydrocarbons and is usually dependent on a number of technical parameters. Economic risk is a function of the success of a project and is critically dependent on cost, price, and political or other economic factors.
Risked-Service Contract	2007 - 3.3.2 2001 - 9.7.4	These agreements are very similar to the production-sharing agreements with the exception of contractor payment, but risk is borne by the contractor. With a risked-service contract, the contractor usually receives a defined share of revenue rather than a share of the production.
Royalty	2007 - 3.3.1 2001 - 3.8	Royalty refers to payments that are due to the host government or mineral owner (lessor) in return for depletion of the reservoirs and the producer (lessee/contractor) for having access to the petroleum resources. Many agreements allow for the producer to lift the royalty volumes, sell them on behalf of the royalty owner, and pay the proceeds to the owner. Some agreements provide for the royalty to be taken only in kind by the royalty owner.
Sales	2007 - 3.2	The quantity of petroleum product delivered at the custody transfer (reference point) with specifications and measurement conditions as defined in the sales contract and/or by regulatory authorities. All recoverable resources are estimated in terms of the product sales quantity measurements.
Shut-in Reserves	2007 - 2.1.3.2 and Table 2	Shut-in Reserves are expected to be recovered from (1) completion intervals which are open at the time of the estimate, but which have not started producing; (2) wells which were shut-in for market conditions or pipeline connections; or (3) wells not capable of production for mechanical reasons.
Solution Gas		Solution Gas is a natural gas which is dissolved in crude oil in the reservoir at the prevailing reservoir conditions of pressure and temperature. It is a subset of Associated Gas.
Sour Natural Gas	2001 - 3.4	Sour Natural Gas is a natural gas that contains sulfur, sulfur compounds, and/or carbon dioxide in quantities that may require removal for sales or effective use.
Stochastic	2001 - 5	Adjective defining a process involving or containing a random variable or variables or involving chance or probability such as a stochastic stimulation.
Sub- Commercial	2007 - 2.1.2	A project is Sub-Commercial if the degree of commitment is such that the accumulation is not expected to be developed and placed on production within a reasonable time frame. While 5 years is recommended as a benchmark, a longer time frame could be applied where, for example, development of economic projects are deferred at the option of the producer for, among other things, market-related reasons, or to meet contractual or strategic objectives. Discovered sub-commercial projects are classified as Contingent Resources.
Sub-Marginal Contingent Resources	2007 - 2.1.3.3	Known (discovered) accumulations for which evaluation of development project(s) indicated they would not meet economic criteria, even considering reasonably expected improvements in conditions.
Sweet Natural Gas	2001 - 3.3	Sweet Natural Gas is a natural gas that contains no sulfur or sulfur compounds at all, or in such small quantities that no processing is necessary for their removal in order that the gas may be sold.

Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)	2001 - A12, A13	A mixture of hydrocarbons derived by upgrading (i.e., chemically altering) natural bitumen from oil sands, kerogen from oil shales, or processing of other substances such as natural gas or coal. SCO may contain sulfur or other non- hydrocarbon compounds and has many similarities to crude oil.
Taxes	2001 - 9.4.2	Obligatory contributions to the public funds, levied on persons, property, or income by governmental authority.
Technical Uncertainty	2007 - 2.2	Indication of the varying degrees of uncertainty in estimates of recoverable quantities influenced by range of potential in-place hydrocarbon resources within the reservoir and the range of the recovery efficiency of the recovery project being applied.
Total Petroleum Initially-in-Place	2007 - 1.1	Total Petroleum Initially-in-Place is generally accepted to be all those estimated quantities of petroleum contained in the subsurface, as well as those quantities already produced. This was defined previously by the WPC as "Petroleum-in- place" and has been termed "Resource Base" by others. Also termed "Original- in-Place" or "Hydrocarbon Endowment."
Uncertainty	2007 - 2.2 2001 - 2.5	The range of possible outcomes in a series of estimates. For recoverable resource assessments, the range of uncertainty reflects a reasonable range of estimated potentially recoverable quantities for an individual accumulation or a project. (See also Probability.)
Unconventional Resources	2007 - 2.4,	Unconventional resources exist in petroleum accumulations that are pervasive throughout a large area and that are not significantly affected by hydrodynamic influences (also called "continuous-type deposits"). Examples include coalbed methane (CBM), basin-centered gas, shale gas, gas hydrate, natural bitumen (tar sands), and oil shale deposits. Typically, such accumulations require specialized extraction technology (e.g., dewatering of CBM, massive fracturing programs for shale gas, steam and/or solvents to mobilize bitumen for in-situ recovery, and, in some cases, mining activities). Moreover, the extracted petroleum may require significant processing prior to sale (e.g., bitumen upgraders). (Also termed "Non-Conventional" Resources and "Continuous Deposits.")
Undeveloped Reserves	2001 - 2.1.3.1 and Table 2	Undeveloped Reserves are quantities expected to be recovered through future investments: (1) from new wells on undrilled acreage in known accumulations, (2) from deepening existing wells to a different (but known) reservoir, (3) from infill wells that will increase recovery, or (4) where a relatively large expenditure (e.g., when compared to the cost of drilling a new well) is required to (a) recomplete an existing well or (b) install production or transportation facilities for primary or improved recovery projects.
Unitization		Process whereby owners group adjoining properties and divide reserves, production, costs, and other factors according to their respective entitlement to petroleum quantities to be recovered from the shared reservoir(s).
Unproved Reserves	2001 - 5.1.1	Unproved Reserves are based on geoscience and/or engineering data similar to that used in estimates of Proved Reserves, but technical or other uncertainties preclude such reserves being classified as Proved. Unproved Reserves may be further categorized as Probable Reserves and Possible Reserves.
Unrecoverable Resources	2007 - 1.1	That portion of Discovered or Undiscovered Petroleum Initially-in-Place quantities which are estimated, as of a given date, not to be recoverable. A portion of these quantities may become recoverable in the future as commercial circumstances change, technological developments occur, or additional data are acquired.

Upgrader	2007 - 2.4	A general term applied to processing plants that convert extra-heavy crude oil and natural bitumen into lighter crude and less viscous synthetic crude oil (SCO). While the detailed process varies, the underlying concept is to remove carbon through coking or to increase hydrogen by hydrogenation processes using catalysts.
Well Abandonment		The permanent plugging of a dry hole, an injection well, an exploration well, or a well that no longer produces petroleum or is no longer capable of producing petroleum profitably. Several steps are involved in the abandonment of a well: permission for abandonment and procedural requirements are secured from official agencies; the casing is removed and salvaged if possible; and one or more cement plugs and/or mud are placed in the borehole to prevent migration of fluids between the different formations penetrated by the borehole. In some cases, wells may be temporarily abandoned where operations are suspended for extended periods pending future conversions to other applications such as reservoir monitoring, enhanced recovery, etc.
Wet Gas	2001 - 3.2 2007 - 3.2.3	Wet (Rich) Gas is natural gas from which no liquids have been removed prior to the reference point. The wet gas is accounted for in resource assessments, and there is no separate accounting for contained liquids. It should be recognized that this is a resource assessment definition and not a phase behavior definition.
Working Gas Volume		With respect to underground natural gas storage, Working Gas Volume (WGV) is the volume of gas in storage above the designed level of cushion gas which can be withdrawn/injected with the installed subsurface and surface facilities (wells, flowlines, etc.) subject to legal and technical limitations (pressures, velocities, etc.). Depending on local site conditions (injection/withdrawal rates, utilization hours, etc.), the working gas volume may be cycled more than once a year.
Working Interest	2001 - 9	A company's equity interest in a project before reduction for royalties or production share owed to others under the applicable fiscal terms.

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Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Probability of Success (standard practice in the industry)

Matador Exhibit 23

Probability of Geological Success (P_a) x Probability of Reservoir Success (P_r) x Probability of Operational Success (P_o)

 $P_a x P_r x P_o =$ Probability of Success

- The probabilities should be multiplied together to calculate the Probability of Success.
- Matador's criteria for success:
 - Geologic: Suitable rock quality at peak oil window.
 - Reservoir: In the current environment, an EUR of 400 MBO.
 - Operational: Drilling and completing the well at or below AFE cost.



Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 970) Applicable Probability of Success

Matador Exhibit 24

Probability of Geological Success (Pg) x Probability of Reservoir Success (Pr) x Probability of Operational Success (Po)

 $P_g x P_r x P_o =$ Probability of Success

Therefore, if...

 $P_{g} = 0.25$ $P_{r} = 0.5$ $P_{o} = 0.75$

Probability of Success = 0.25 x 0.5 x 0.75 = 9.375%



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The Appropriate Risk Charge is at least 200%

- The proposed well is within the "vast majority"* of cases
- There is <u>no</u> specific reason to provide a lesser charge than 200%
- Voluntary industry agreements call for at least 200% risk charge



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