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February 2, 2000

John H. Hendrix Corporation 110 Marienfeld, Suite 400 P.O. Box 3040 Midland, TX 79702

Attn: John H. Hendrix Ronnie H. Westbrook

Re: John H. Hendrix Corporation's Letter of February 2, 2000 (Hand Delivered at 2:09 p.m.)

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the first paragraph of your letter of February 2, 2000, which was hand-delivered to us at 2:09 p.m., February 2, 2000. Reference is also made to that certain assignment of overriding royalty from Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. to John H. Hendrix Corporation covering the W/2 Section 34, T-23-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico, which was filed of record, at the Bureau of Land Management, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on August 1, 1997.

Obviously, from the tone of the first paragraph of the above-referenced February 2, 2000 letter, John H. Hendrix Corporation apparently wishes for us to believe that, <u>at all times</u>, for the past four years, it has been eager to develop the Yeso (Paddock, Blinebry, Tubb, Drinkard) as to the W/2 Section 34, T-23-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico, despite the fact that (1) negotiations corresponding to John H. Hendrix Corporation's purchase of Texaco's 12.5% overriding royalty interest, under the W/2 Section 34, T-23-S, R-37-E, Lea County, New Mexico, were ongoing until August, 1997,

(2) oil pricing, at the end of 1998, hit a 13-year low, before beginning its recovery in 1999, and (3) John H. Hendrix Corporation did not make a subsequent assignment of the subject overriding royalty interest to the other members of the Hendrix group (Michael L. Klein, Ronnie H. Westbrook, Daniel L. Veirs) until April, 1999.

Although Doyle Hartman drilled and completed 3.75 net wells in the 2nd half of 1998, since we did not most recently hear from John H. Hendrix Corporation regarding Yeso development in the W/2 Section 34, until November 8, 1999, it is most probable that John H. Hendrix Corporation, like most operators, was not highly enthusiastic, during the <u>very-significant</u> oil price slump of 1998 and 1999, about performing development work on leases with very-slow-payback highly-marginal economics.

Very truly yours,

DOYLE HARTMAN, Oil Operator

Doyle Hartman

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division

2040 S. Pacheco

Santa Fe, NM 87505 Attn: Michael Stogner

Lori Wrotenbery

Michael L. Klein 500 W. Texas, Suite 1230 Midland, TX 79701

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February 2, 2000

VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Doyle Hartman Oil Operator 500 N. Main Midland, TX 79701

RE: Exchange Proposal

Eva Blinebry "A" & "B" Leases W/2 Section 34, T23S - R37E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hartman:

In reference to your letter dated January 31, 2000, regarding Proposed Voluntary Plan of Cooperation and Development, John H. Hendrix Corporation first proposed jointly developing this lease in February, 1996. That and subsequent drilling proposals by Hendrix have been ignored by Doyle Hartman, Oil Operator. You should understand, therefore, that we do not consider waiting 4 years to drill a well to be extreme eagerness on our part. If a convenient time to commence development has not been found in the last four years, we think it unlikely to occur soon.

That issue aside, Hendrix, et al is interested in a possible exchange of interests. We therefore counter-propose that Hendrix, et al assign to Hartman all working interest rights in the NE/4 NW/4, NW/4 SW/4, and SE/4 SW/4 of Section 34. In exchange Hartman would assign to Hendrix, et al, all its working interest rights in the NW/4 NW/4, the S/2 NW/4, the NE/4 SW/4 and SW/4 SW/4. On a net acreage basis, Hendrix, et al, would be assigning 63.671875 net acres to Hartman; and Hartman would be assigning 63.984366 net acres to Hendrix, et al. This exchange would be an exchange of working interest rights only. Each party would deliver a proportionate 75% net revenue interest. The ARCO and Nermyr rights will be unaffected.

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February 2, 2000

In light of our scheduled February 17, 2000 hearing, we look forward to your prompt response.

Very truly yours,

Ronnie H. Weathwook

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cc: Davidson



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February 2, 2000

This is an acknowledgment that a letter was received by Doyle Hartman's Midland Office from John H. Hendrix Corporation.

By: Christine Spangler Time: 2:09

Date: 2-2-00

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0034 Expires: July 31, 1995

RECEIVED BUR OF LAND MGMT. N.M.S.O. SANTA FE

ASSIGNMENT OF RECORD TITLE INTEREST IN A LEASE FOR OIL AND GAS OR GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES 2065722; XXXXX

Lease Serial No.

AUG 0 1 1997

Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) Act for Acquired Lands of 1947 (30 U.S.C. 351-359)

Lease Effective Date (Anniversary Date)

7,8,9,10,11,12,1,12,3,4,5,6 Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 1981 (42 U.S.C. 6508)

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1.	Assignee* John	H. Hendrix Corporation	
	Street		
	City, State, ZIP Code	Midland, TX 79701-4412	

*If more than one assignee, check here \square and list the name(s)	and address(es) of all additional	assignees on the reverse of this form or on a
separate attached sheet of paper.		•

This record title assignment is for: (Check one,	Oil and Gas Lease, or	Geothermal Lease
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Interest conveyed: (Check one or both, as appropriate)	Record Title,	Overriding Royalty, payment out of production or other similar
·		interests or payments

Land Description	Percent of Interest			Percent of	
Additional space on reverse, if needed. Do not submit documents or agreements other than its form; such documents or agreements shall only be referenced herein.		Conveyed	Retained	Overriding Royalty or Similar Interests	
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Township 23 South, Range 37 East Section 34: W/2	12.50% of 8/8 on 0il		none	none	none
containing 320 acres, more or less, in Lea County, New Mexico INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR AS TO THOS DEPTHS BELOW THE BASE OF THE SAN ANDRES FORMATION.	of 8/8 on Gas				

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This assignment is approved	solely for adn	ninistrative purposes	s. Approval does	pot warrant that	i either party t	o this assignment	bolds legal o
equitable title to this lease.							

Assignment approved for above described lands;	☐ Assignment approved for attached land description				
Assignment approved effective	Assignment approved for land description of this form.	on indicated on reverse			
By(Authorized Officer)	(Title)	(Delc)			

Part A (Continued):	ADDITIONAL SPACE for Names and addresses of additional assignces in Item No.	if needed, or for Land Description to team No. 2, if
	needed.	- 1 Tem 140. 2, 11

PART B: CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

- The Assignor certifies as owner of an interest in the above designated lease that he/she hereby assigns to the above assignee(s) the rights specified above.
- Assignce certifies as follows: (a) Assignce is a citizen of the United States; an association of such citizens; a municipality; or a corporation organized under the laws of the United States or of any State or territory thereof. For the assignment of NPR-A leases, assignce is a citizen, national, or resident aften of the United States or association of such citizens, nationals, resident aliens or private, public or municipal corporations, (b) Assignee is not considered a minor under the laws of the State in which the lands covered by this assignment are located; (c) Assignee's chargeable interests, direct and indirect, in each public domain and acquired lands separately in the same State, do not exceed 246,080 acres in oil and gas leases (of which up to 200,000 acres may be in oil and gas options), or 300,000 acres in leases in each leasing District in Alaska of which up to 200,000 acres may be in options, if this is an oil and gas lease issued in accordance with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, or 51,200 acres in any one State if this is a geothermal lease; (d) All parties holding an interest in the assignment are otherwise in compliance with the regulations (43 CFR Group 3100 or 3200) and the authorizing Acts; (e) Assignee is in compliance with reclamation requirements for all Federal oil and gas lease holdings as required by sec. 17(g) of the Mineral Lessing Act; and (f) Assignee is not in violation of sec. 41 of the Mineral Leasing Act.
- Assignce's signature to this assignment constitutes acceptance of all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions pertaining to the lease described berein.

For weathermal assignments, an overriding royalty may not be less than one-fourth (1/4) of one percent of the value of output, nor present than 50 percent of the rate of

royalty due to the United States when	this assignment i	s added to all previously create	ed overriding royalti	cs (43 CFR 3241).
I certify that the statements made here	in by me are true	c, complete, and correct to the	best of my knowled	ge and belief and are made in good faith.
Executed this da	y of Vul	<u>4</u> .19.97	Executed this	26th day of JUNE 1997
Name of Assignor as shown on curren	nt Icase <u>Te x</u> P	aco Exploratio	in and Pro	Pduction Inc. Missis H. Mathed (Signapure)
Assignor	(Signature)	- <i>An-</i>	Assignee / C	(Signature)
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P. 0 Box 46513	(Signature)	J. K. HENDRICKSON	ARRENDER -	Vice President (Signature)
(Assign	or's Address)			John H. Hendrix Corporation
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(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)		Midland, TX 79702-3040

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Title 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001 makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any Department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction. Statements of representations and any

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ASSIGNMENT OF OVERRIDING ROYALTY INTEREST

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO }
{ KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS
COUNTY OF LEA }

THAT JOHN H. HENDRIX CORPORATION, P. O. Box 3040, Midland, TX '79702-3040, hereinafter referred to as "Assignor", for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby confessed and acknowledged, does hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer, convey and assign unto the following parties, their heirs, successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "Assigness", the interest set out below opposite their respective names:

Michael L. Klein 500 West Texas, Suite 1230 Midland, TX 79701		47.0000%
Romie H. Westbrook 3920 Tanforan Midland, TX 79707	·	2.0000%
Daniel L. Veirs 1209 West Cuthbert Avenue Midland, TX 79701-4121		4.0000%
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Total Interest Assigned:		52,0000%
Interest Resident:		47.0000%
		100,0000%

in and to that certain overriding royalty interest described in Exhibit "A" articled to and made a part bereef, being that interest acquired by Assigner by virtue of that certain Assignment of Record Title Interest from Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., Assigner, to John H. Hendrix Corporation, Assigner, dated July 1, 1997, not recorded in Lea County, but filed with the Bureau of Land Management in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

This Assignment and all rights, reservations and covenants in connection berewith shall be binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, successors and assigns, and their successive assigns, and the covenants bereaf shall run with the land and leases.

To have and to hold the overriding royalty interest hereby assigned unto the said Assignees, their heirs, successors and assigns in accordance with the terms of this Assignment. For the same consideration above recited, Assignor agrees to warrant and defend title to the interests such Assignor has assigned Assignees by, through and under such Assignor, but not otherwise.

Witness the execution hereof this 20th day of April, 1999.

ASSIGNOR

JOHN H. HENDRIX CORPORATION

Name John H. HENDRIX
Taley PRESIDENT

Eva Blindhry Least (W/2 Section 34-23\$-372)

