Santa Fe Snyder Corporation

VIA FAX AND CERTIFIED MAIL (915) 683-0311

February 17, 2000

BTA Oil Producers 104 South Pecos Midland, Texas 79701

ATTN.: Mr. C. Robert Crawford

Re:

Request for Term Assignment S/2 Section 18, T-23-S, R-34-E Lea County, New Mexico

PALOMA BLANCO PROSPECT - NM-0415

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to Santa Fe Snyder Corporation's (Santa Fe's) letter dated November 15, 1999 proposing the Paloma Blanco "18" Fed COM #1 well a 13,700 foot Morrow test at a location 660' FSL & 660' FEL of Section 18, T-23-S, R-34-E, Lea County, New Mexico. Reference is also made to our recent conversations regarding a possible working interest unit covering Section 18 along with other lands.

In lieu of BTA's participation in the referenced well and/or working interest unit, Santa Fe hereby requests a Term Assignment covering all of BTA's interest in the S/2 of Section 18, T-23-S, R-34-E, Lea County, New Mexico based upon the following general terms:

- 1. \$200.00 per net acre bonus;
- 2. Two year primary term with a 180 day continuous development option; and
- 3. Prior to an election by Conoco to convert its retained Overriding Royalty Interest (ORRI) to a 33.33% WI pursuant to that certain Farmout Agreement dated October 11, 1979, BTA shall reserve an ORRI equal to the difference by which 25% exceeds lease burdens. Following such an election by Conoco, BTA's reserved ORRI would be equal to the difference by which 20% exceeds lease burdens.

We thank you for your consideration of this proposal and look forward to receiving your reply. If you have any questions, my direct number is (915) 686-6712.

Sincerely,

Steven J. Smith

Senior Staff Landman

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