

A.A.P.L. FORM 610 - 1989
MODEL FORM OPERATING AGREEMENT

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM
LANDMEN, 4100 FOSSIL CREEK BLVD.
FORT WORTH, TEXAS, 76137, APPROVED FORM

OPERATING AGREEMENT

DATED

May 14, 1998

OPERATOR Richardson Operating Company

CONTRACT AREA Township 30 North, Range 14 West, NMM

Section 21: W/2

Surface to base of Pictured Cliffs formation

COUNTY OR PARISH OF San Juan, STATE OF New Mexico

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Case Nos. 12643/12644 Cons. Exhibit No. 5
Submitted by:
Richardson Production Company
Hearing Date: April 19, 2001

EXHIBIT " C "

Attached to and made a part of Attached to and made a part of that certain Operating Agreement
dated May 14, 1998, between Richardson Operating Company, as Operator, and Amoco
Production Company, et al, as Non-Operators.

ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE
JOINT OPERATIONS

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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1. Definitions

"Joint Property" shall mean the real and personal property subject to the agreement to which this Accounting Procedure is attached.

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Bank Denver on the first day of the month in which delinquency occurs plus 1% or the maximum contract rate permitted by the applicable usury laws in the state in which the Joint Property is located, whichever is the lesser, plus attorney's fees, court costs, and other costs in connection with the collection of unpaid amounts.

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- (1) Operator shall charge the Joint Account at the following rates:

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OPERATING AGREEMENT

DATED

August 26, 1998,

OPERATOR Richardson Operating Company

CONTRACT AREA Township 30 North, Range 14 West, NMPM

Section 16: A11

Section 2: N/2

Township 29 North, Range 14 West, NMPM

Section 16: N/2

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OPERATING AGREEMENT

DATED

December 15 1998 ,

OPERATOR Richardson Operating Company

CONTRACT AREA Township 30 North, Range 14 West, NPM

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DATED

June 1, 2000

OPERATOR RICHARDSON OPERATING COMPANYCONTRACT AREA TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH - RANGE 14 WEST, NMPMSection 21: NW/4Surface to base of the Pictured Cliffs FormationCOUNTY OR PARISH OF San Juan, STATE OF New Mexico

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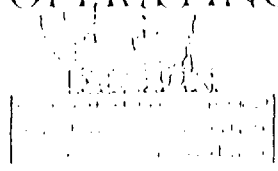
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MODEL FORM OPERATING AGREEMENT



OPERATING AGREEMENT

DATED

June 1, 2000

OPERATOR RICHARDSON OPERATING COMPANY

CONTRACT AREA TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH - RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM

Section 21: SE/4

Surface to base of the Pictured Cliffs Formation

COUNTY OR PARISH OF San Juan, STATE OF New Mexico

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EXHIBIT " C "

Attached to and made a part of certain Operating Agreement Dated June 1, 2000,

between Richardson Operating Company, as Operator, and Amoco
Production Company, et al, as Non-Operators

ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE
JOINT OPERATIONS

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Definitions

"Joint Property" shall mean the real and personal property subject to the agreement to which this Accounting Procedure is attached.

"Joint Operations" shall mean all operations necessary or proper for the development, operation, protection and maintenance of the Joint Property.

"Joint Account" shall mean the account showing the charges paid and credits received in the conduct of the Joint Operations and which are to be shared by the Parties.

"Operator" shall mean the party designated to conduct the Joint Operations.

"Non-Operators" shall mean the Parties to this agreement other than the Operator.

"Parties" shall mean Operator and Non-Operators.

"First Level Supervisors" shall mean those employees whose primary function in Joint Operations is the direct supervision of other employees and/or contract labor directly employed on the Joint Property in a field operating capacity.

"Technical Employees" shall mean those employees having special and specific engineering, geological or other professional skills, and whose primary function in Joint Operations is the handling of specific operating conditions and problems for the benefit of the Joint Property.

"Personal Expenses" shall mean travel and other reasonable reimbursable expenses of Operator's employees.

"Material" shall mean personal property, equipment or supplies acquired or held for use on the Joint Property.

"Controllable Material" shall mean Material which at the time is so classified in the Material Classification Manual as most recently recommended by the Council of Petroleum Accountants Societies.

2. Statement and Billings

Operator shall bill Non-Operators on or before the last day of each month for their proportionate share of the Joint Account for the preceding month. Such bills will be accompanied by statements which identify the authority for expenditure, lease or facility, and all charges and credits summarized by appropriate classifications of investment and expense except that items of Controllable Material and unusual charges and credits shall be separately identified and fully described in detail.

3. Advances and Payments by Non-Operators

A. Unless otherwise provided for in the agreement, the Operator may require the Non Operators to advance their share of estimated cash outlay for the succeeding month's operation within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the billing or by the first day of the month for which the advance is required, whichever is later. Operator shall adjust each monthly billing to reflect advances received from the Non-Operators.

B. Each Non-Operator shall pay its proportion of all bills within fifteen (15) days after receipt. If payment is not made within such time, the unpaid balance shall bear interest monthly at the prime rate in effect at Wells Fargo Bank on the first day of the month in which delinquency occurs plus 1% of the maximum contract rate permitted by the applicable usury laws in the state in which the Joint Property is located, whichever is the lesser, plus attorney's fees, court costs, and other costs in connection with the collection of unpaid amounts.

4. Adjustments

Payment of any such bills shall not prejudice the right of any Non Operator to protest or question the correctness thereof; provided, however, all bills and statements rendered to Non Operators by Operator during any calendar year shall conclusively be presumed to be true and correct after twenty four (24) months following the end of any such calendar year, unless within the said twenty four (24) month period a Non Operator takes written exception thereto and makes claim on Operator for adjustment. No adjustment favorable to Operator shall be made unless it is made within the same prescribed period. The provisions of this paragraph shall not prevent adjustments resulting from a physical inventory of Controllable Material as provided for in Section V.

III. OVERHEAD

1. Overhead - Drilling and Producing Operations

- i. As compensation for administrative, supervision, office services and warehousing costs, Operator shall charge drilling and producing operations on either:

(X) Fixed Rate Basis, Paragraph 1A, or
() Percentage Basis, Paragraph 1B

Unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties, such charge shall be in lieu of costs and expenses of all offices and salaries or wages plus applicable burdens and expenses of all personnel, except those directly chargeable under Paragraph 3A, Section II. The cost and expense of services from outside sources in connection with matters of taxation, traffic, accounting or matters before or involving governmental agencies shall be considered as included in the overhead rates provided for in the above selected Paragraph of this Section III unless such cost and expense are agreed to by the Parties as a direct charge to the Joint Account.

- ii. The salaries, wages and Personal Expenses of Technical Employees and/or the cost of professional consultant services and contract services of technical personnel directly employed on the Joint Property:

() shall be covered by the overhead rates, or
(X) shall not be covered by the overhead rates.

- iii. The salaries, wages and Personal Expenses of Technical Employees and/or costs of professional consultant services and contract services of technical personnel either temporarily or permanently assigned to and directly employed in the operation of the Joint Property:

() shall be covered by the overhead rates, or
(X) shall not be covered by the overhead rates.

A. Overhead - Fixed Rate Basis

- (1) Operator shall charge the Joint Account at the following rates per well per month:

Drilling Well Rate \$ 5,000.00
(Prorated for less than a full month)

Producing Well Rate \$ 500.00

- (2) Application of Overhead - Fixed Rate Basis shall be as follows:

(a) Drilling Well Rate

- (1) Charges for drilling wells shall begin on the date the well is spudded and terminate on the date the drilling rig, completion rig, or other units used in completion of the well is released, whichever is later, except that no charge shall be made during suspension of drilling or completion operations for fifteen (15) or more consecutive calendar days.
- (2) Charges for wells undergoing any type of workover or recompletion for a period of five (5) consecutive work days or more shall be made at the drilling well rate. Such charges shall be applied for the period from date workover operations, with rig or other units used in workover, commence through date of rig or other unit release, except that no charge shall be made during suspension of operations for fifteen (15) or more consecutive calendar days.

(b) Producing Well Rates

- (1) An active well either produced or injected into for any portion of the month shall be considered as a one-well charge for the entire month.
- (2) Each active completion in a multi-completed well in which production is not commingled down hole shall be considered as a one-well charge providing each completion is considered a separate well by the governing regulatory authority.
- (3) An inactive gas well shut in because of overproduction or failure of purchaser to take the production shall be considered as a one-well charge providing the gas well is directly connected to a permanent sales outlet.
- (4) A one-well charge shall be made for the month in which plugging and abandonment operations are completed on any well. This one-well charge shall be made whether or not the well has produced except when drilling well rate applies.
- (5) All other inactive wells (including but not limited to inactive wells covered by unit allowable, lease allowable, transferred allowable, etc.) shall not qualify for an overhead charge.
- (3) The well rates shall be adjusted as of the first day of April each year following the effective date of the agreement to which this Accounting Procedure is attached. The adjustment shall be computed by multiplying the rate currently in use by the percentage increase or decrease in the average weekly earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers for the last calendar year compared to the calendar year preceding as shown by the index of average weekly earnings of Crude Petroleum and Gas Production Workers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, or the equivalent Canadian index as published by Statistics Canada, as applicable. The adjusted rates shall be the rates currently in use, plus or minus the computed adjustment.

~~B. Overhead - Percentage Basis~~

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