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November 2, 1993

## HAND DELIVERED

Mr. William J. LeMay Oil Conservation Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: Application of James C. Brown, Trustee / 6887 and Bayshore Production Company to Vacate and Void NMOCD Administrative Orders NSP-1633(L) and NSP-1632(L)(SD), Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

On behalf of James C. Brown, Trustee, and Bayshore Production Company, please find enclosed our application to vacate and void the two referenced administrative orders which we request be set for hearing on the next available Examiner's docket now scheduled for December 2, 1993. Also enclosed is our proposed advertisement to be used for the OCD docket.

By copy of this letter, including the Application to all parties, we are notifying them by certified mail return-receipt requested, that:

- (1) they have the right to appear at the hearing, to make a statement to the Division, to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses either in support of or in opposition to the Application and
- (2) advising that failure to appear at the time of the hearing and become a party of record will preclude them from challenging this application at a later date.

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In accordance with Division Memorandum 2-90, parties who may appear in this case are hereby requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division, copy to Applicant, not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, November 26, 1993.

Very truly yours

W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: James Bruce, Esq.
cc: James C. Brown

cc: CERTIFIED MAIL:

All parties shown in application

Proposed notification/advertisement for OCD docket

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF JAMES C. BROWN, TRUSTEE, AND BAYSHORE PRODUCTION CO., LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, TO VACATE AND VOID DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS NSP-1633(L) AND NSP-1633(L)(SD), LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE: /0882

## APPLICATION

Comes now JAMES C. BROWN, TRUSTEE, by and through his attorneys, KELLAHIN and KELLAHIN, and BAYSHORE PRODUCTION CO., LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, by and through its attorneys HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD & HENSLEY, and apply to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to vacate and void Division Administrative Orders NSP-1632(L)(SD) and NSP-1633(L), Lea County, New Mexico. Applicants seek an order from the Division vacating and voiding Administrative Order NSP-1633(L) covering the N/2N/2 (equivalent) and Administrative Order NSP-1632(L)(SD) covering S/2N/2 (equivalent) of Section 7, T23, R37E, NMPM, Jalmat Gas Pool.

In support thereof, Applicants state:

1. Applicant, James C. Brown, Trustee, has an oil and gas ownership interest underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 7, T23S, R37E, N.M.P.M, Lea County, New Mexico.

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- 2. Applicant, Bayshore Production Co., Limited Partnership, has an oil and gas ownership interest underlying the N/2N/2 of Section 7, T23S, R37E, N.M.P.M, Lea County, New Mexico.
- 3. The N/2 of said Section 7 was communitized by a Communitization Agreement dated September 20, 1948
- 4. On December 27, 1948, Conoco (formerly Continental Oil Company) drilled and on January 19, 1949 completed its Stevens B-7 Com No 1 Well in Unit D of Section 7 as a producing gas well in the Yates and Seven Rivers formations of the Langmat Pool.
- 8. On December 17, 1953, Conoco filed an acreage dedication plat for its Stevens Unit B-7 No 1 Well dedicating a 160-acre tract consisting of the NW/4 of said Section 7 to production from the Yates and Seven Rivers formations of the Langmat Pool.
- 5. The Jalmat Gas Pool was created by the Oil Conservation Division effective September 1, 1954 from a consolidated of the Jalco and the Langmat Pools and 640-acre gas spacing and proration units were established.
- 6. The Jalmat Gas Pool underlying Section 7 now extends from the top of the Tansill formation to a point 100 feet above the base of the Seven Rivers formation, thereby including all of the Yates formation.
- 7. As of September 1, 1989, the Stevens B-7 Com No. 1 Well located in Unit D was still dedicated to a 160-acre spacing and proration unit consisting of the NW/4 of said Section 7 for production from the Jalmat Gas Pool.

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- 8. On September 1, 1989, Doyle Hartman acquired Conoco's interest in the N/2 of Section 7 and became operator of the four existing wells:
  - (a) Stevens B-7 Com No 1 Well (Unit D)
  - (b) Stevens B-7 Com No 13 Well (Unit E)
  - (c) Stevens B-7 Com No 2 Well (Unit G)
  - (d) Stevens B-7 Com No 21 Well (Unit H)
- 9. On March 7, 1991, Hartman recompleted the Steven B-7 Com No 13 Well (Unit E) of said Section 7 into the Jalmat Gas Pool and established production in paying quantities.
- 10. On May 29, 1991, Hartman filed an administrative application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking to terminate the existing 160 acre Jalmat Gas spacing unit consisting of the NW/4 of Section 7 and to substitute two new non-standard proration and spacing units as follows:
  - (a) S/2N/2 of Section 7 for the Stevens B-7 Nos 13 and 2 Wells, and
  - (b) N/2N/2 of Section 7 for the Stevens B-7 No 1 Well.
- 11. At the request of Hartman and without prior notice to James C. Brown, Trustee, or to Bayshore Production Co., Limited Partnership, who were working interest owners in the NW/4 of said Section 7, the Division granted Hartman's administrative applications and issued orders as follows:
  - (a) Administrative Order NSP-1632(L)(SD) for the S/2N/2 of said Section 7, and
  - (b) Administrative Order NSP-1633(L) for the N/2N/2 of said Section 7,

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- 12. That there is no provision under Division Order R-8170, as amerided, for the granting of these two administrative applications or for issuing these two administrative orders.
- 13. That there is no provision under the Division's general statewide rules for the granting of these two administrative applications or for granting these two administrative orders.
- 14. That these two orders were issued without prior notice to James C. Brown, Trustee and Bayshore Production Co., Limited Partnership, and thereby deny to those parties procedural due process as required by <u>Uhden v. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission et al</u>, 112 N.M. 528 (1991), and other cases.
- 15. James C. Brown, Trustee, and Bayshore Production Co., Limited Partnership, have been denied their share of Jalmat Gas Pool production from the Stevens B-7 Com No. 13 Well as a result of state action taken at the request of Doyle Hartman.
- 16. For some 44 years, the oil and gas interest owners in the N/2NW/4 of said Section 7 shared production from the Stevens B-7 Com No 1 Well with the oil and gas interest owners in the S/2NW/4 of that section.
- 17. The N/2NW/4 of said Section 7 is being drained by the Hartman operated Stevens B-7 Com No 13 Well, yet those parties are being denied the right to share in that production.
- 18. That unless these two orders are vacated, the correlative rights of James C. Brown, Trustee and Bayshore Production Co., Limited Partnership, will have been violated.

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19. In accordance with Division Rule 1207, Applicant has notified affected parties, with the names and addresses of those parties set forth on Exhibit A.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, this Application be approved as requested.

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