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June 23, 1986

BEFORE EXAMINER STOGNER
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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Harvey E. Yates Company P. O. Box 1933 Roswell, New Mexico 88201-1933

Attention: Rosemary T. Avery

Re: East Garrett Prospect - "Benson" #1

Section 14, T-16-S, R-28-E, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Avery:

In reference to your letter dated June 4, 1986, concerning Marathon's submitted AFE for the drilling of a 13,500' Silurian test, please be informed that Marathon has revised the original anticipated drilling cost downward to reflect th current depressed drilling market.

Enclosed is our revised (1) AFE, (2) a drilling cost comparison sheet listing Marathon's and HEYCO's expenditures, and (3) a drilling cost explanation summary.

Marathon's revised cost is \$295,000.00 higher than HEYCO's submitted AFE for a comparable test in Lea County. The higher cost reflects additional contingency funds which we feel are justifiable in order to prudently evaluate a 13,500' wildcat.

Anticipated completion costs by both Marathon and HEYCO are more compatible.

Please review the three (3) attachments, decide whether to join or farmout your interest, and respond as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

MARATHON OIL COMPANY

Steve Daniels
Landman

xc: Working Interest Owners

LMB/THH; mmc' Attachments ARCO Dil & Gas Company
P. O. Box 1610
Midland, Texas 79702-1610
Attention: Ms. Rita Buress

Mrs. June D. Speight
P. O. Drawer 1687
Lovington, New Mexico 88260-1687

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Lawrence P. O. Box 2309
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240-2309

Mr. James A. Davidson P. O. Box 494 Midlani, Texas 79702-0494

Marathon Oil Company AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE

DETAIL OF WELL COSTS

AFE NO.	
DATE	

SHEET ____ OF ____ SHEETS (Attachment No. 1) Benson#1 Lease or Facility EAST GARRETT DEEP Field or Prospect Sec. 14. T-16-5, R-38-6 Location: LCACO, N. M. Workover Wildcat 💆 Recompletion [] Development Development Exploratory 20 Est. Drilling Days ___72 Est, Completion Days 13,500 Est. Total Depth FEATURE COST DESCRIPTION SOURCE QUANTITY NO. DRILLING COSTS - TANGIELE **Drive Pipe** 2 Conductor 3 320 Surface 6.000 75/5 Intermediate Casing, Liner, or Tieback 5000' Liner Hanger and Tieback Equipment 5 6 2*c.₂∞* Casinghead Miscellaneous <u> 2000</u> TOTAL DRILLING COSTS - TANGIBLE 108.000 **DRILLING COSTS - INTANGIBLE** <u>48.000</u> **Location and Access** 10 50,000 12 Daywork Drilling 11 324.000 Footage Basis Drilling 13.500 14 **Direct Supervision** <u> 50,000</u> Bits, Hole Openers, Stabilizers, etc. 16 Mud and Mud Services 60,000 Rig rues 17 35,000 Water 18 45.000 Rental Equipment and Tools Casing/Drive Pipe Tools, Services and Accessories 20 12,000 Cement and Cementing Service 21 30.000 35,000 Well Logging and Services 22 Mud Logging 24 000 8,000 Pipe Inspection 24 Directional Services 25 10,200 Coring 26 Formation Testing 27 30,000 Diving Services 28 Mobilization/Demobilization 29 Air Transportation 30 Marine Transportation 31 25000 Land Transportation 32 Shore Base Services 33 Communications Fishing Tools and Services 35 Abandoning Tools and Services Miscellaneous Material and Services 37 49000 **Dry Hole Contributions** 38 Overhead 39 Indirect Expense 10,000 40 TOTAL DRILLING COSTS - INTANGIBLE 816,000 **TOTAL DRILLING COSTS** 424000 ذ. ي **COMPLETION COSTS - TANGIBLE** 475 **Production Casing** 15,000 Liners 43 Tubing 70.000 Liner Hanger and Tieback Equipment 45 Christmas Tree 25.000 46 Subsurface Safety Shut-In Devices 47 Packers 48 4,000 Subsurface Artificial Lift Equipment TOTAL COMPLETION COSTS - TANGIBLE 2/4,200 Form 2779 Page 4 Rev. 11-81

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DETAIL OF WELL COSTS

SHEET ____ OF ___ SHEETS

(Attachment No. 1 cont.)

AFE NO.	
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SOURCE	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	FEATURE NO.	020	cost
		COMPLETION COSTS - INTANGIBLE			
		Location and Access	51	- (
		Completion Rie	62		24.000
		Contract Service Units	63		
		Direct Supervision	54		6000
		Company Labor	55 56		
		Contract Labor	57		
		Rig Fuel Completion and Packer Fluids	58		6,000
		Rental Equipment and Tools	59		20,000
		Casing Tools, Services and Accessories	60		2000
		Cement and Cementing Service	61		18,000
		Logging Services Perforating	63		5,000 5,000
		Wireline Services	64		
		Formation Treating	65		25,000
		Sand Control Equipment and Services	66		
		Formation Testing	67		
	ļ	Tubular Testing and Cleaning Mobilization and Demobilization of Completion Rig	68 69		
		Air Transportation	70		
		Marine Transportation	71		
		Land Transportation	72		6.000
		Shore Base Services	73		
		Communications	74		·
		Fishing Tools and Services Wireline Cased-hole Plugbacks	75 76		
		Miscellaneous Material and Services	77		10,000
		Sidetrack or Milling Sections	73		
		Overhead ;	79		
		TOTAL COMPLETION COSTS - INTANGIBLE			/32,000
		TOTAL	COMPLETION COS	TS S	347,000
		SURFACE EQUIPMENT — TANGIBLE			
		Pumping Equipment	83		
		Tanks and Related Equipment	34		18,000
		Company Labor and Non-Hauling Units	85		
		Contract Labor and Non-Hauling Units Water Injection Equipment	86 87		
		Heater-Treater	88		10,000
		Miscellaneous Supplies	89		5.000
		Dehydrating Equipment	90		
		Separator-Trap	91		10,000 .
····		Transportation Metering Equipment	92		_3, coo
	 	Line Pipe	94		2,000
		Electrical Equipment	95		
		Compressors	96		
		TOTAL SURFACE EQUI	PMENT - TANGIB		40,000
	SUMMARY	OF ESTIMATED DRILLING WELL COSTS	TOTAL COST	MA	RATHON'S SH
	Total D	rilling Cost	\$ 924000	s	
	Total C	ompletion Cost	347,000		
	Total S	urface Equipment	40,000		
	Gra	and Total Cost — 4 og	\$ 1,311,000	, s	
	Maratho	on's Share of Grand Total Cost to be Booked This Year			
	If Wildo	at Well, Give Marathon's Share of Dry Hole Cost			
					

MARATHON OIL COMPANY Mid-Continent Region East Garrett Deep Prospect

DRILLING COST COMPARISON Attachment No. 2

	MOC ORIGINAL	MOC REVISED	HEYCO	DIFFERENCE
Surface Casing	9,000	6,000	10,000	(- 4,000)
Intermediate Casing	80,000	80,000 (9 5/8)	62,500 (8 5/8)	+ 17,500
Casinghead	40,000	22,000	10,000	+ 12,000
Total Intangibles	129,000	108,000	82,500	25,500
Location and Access	60,000	48,000	20,500	+ 27,500
Daywork Drilling	357,000	50,000	47,300	+ 2,700
Footage Basis Drilling	-	324,000	294,000	+ 30,000
Direct Supervision	34,000	30,000	12,000	+ 18,000
Bits and Stabilizers	80,000	-	1,500	(- 1,500)
Mud	120,000	60,000	30,000	+ 30,000
Water	40,000	35,000	10,000	+ 25,000
Rental Equipment	90,000	45,000	5,000	+ 40,000
Casing Tools and Services	20,000	12,000	2,000	+ 10,000
Cement	30,000	30,000	21,500	+ 3,500
Logging	50,000	35,000	14,000	+ 21,000
Mud Logging	24,000	24,000	17,500	+ 6,500
Pipe Inspection	10,000	8,000	-	+ 8,000
Coring	10,000	10,000	-	+ 10,000
Formation Testing	40,000	30,000	30,000	-
Mobilization	30,000	-	_	-
Trucking	30,000	25,000	-	+ 25,000
Miscellaneous Contingencies	40,000	40,000	30,965	+ 9,035
Indirect Expense	10,000	10,000	-	+ 10,000
P&A Expense			10,000	- 10,000
Total Tangibles	1,075,000	816,000	546,265	269,735
TOTAL	1,204,000	924,000	628,765	295,235

MARATHON OIL COMPANY Mid-Continent Region East Garrett Deep Prospect

EXPLANATION - DRILLING COSTS Attachment 3

+ 17,500 Intermediate Casing

Marathon Oil Company believes 9 $5/8^{\prime\prime\prime}$ is necessary so that a $7^{\prime\prime\prime}$ protection string can be run if severe lost circulation is encountered.

+ 12,000 Casinghead

Includes head, spool, slips, pack-off and landing base.

+ 27,500 Location

Includes damages, surveying, location with caliche, lining reserve pits, rat hole digger. (Lea Unit No. 13 - \$46,117)

+ 30,000 Footage

Marathon Oil Company \$24/ft. - Depends on rig move and rig count. (Lea Unit - \$25.65/ft.) Will bid out.

+ 18,000 Direct Supervision

Drilling Foreman and Geologist - \$416/day with auto HEYCO - \$180/day

+ 30,000 Mud

Costs were increased to cover contingencies of lost circulation and conditioning for 5 DST and coring. (Lea Unit No. 13 - \$41,855)

+ 25,00) Water

Haui salt water and fresh water. (Lea Unit No. 13 - 336,000)

+ 40,000 Rental

Include mobile home, mud cleaner, PVT, flow show, hydraulic
choke, fas-line.
Marathon Oil Company - \$625/day
HEYCO - \$83/day

+ 21,000 Logging

Includes full suite of logs for intermediate and production holes.

+ 25,000 Trucking

Includes delivery of all rental equipment and casing.

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PETROLEUM PRODUCERS



HARVEY E. YATES COMPANY

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ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201

June 4, 1986

Marathon Oil Company P. O. Box 552 Midland, Texas 79702

Attention: Steve Daniels, Landman

Re: East Garrett Area

Sec. 14, T-16S, R-28E, N.M.P.M.

Lea County, New Mexico

Marathon's Proposed Benson #1

13,500' Silurian Well

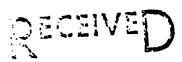
Gentlemen:

Please refer to your letter of May 23, 1986, requesting that HEYCO participate in or farm out under the proposed Benson #1.

After reviewing Marathon's AFE, HEYCO's management feels that the costs are excessive for a well drilled under today's economic conditions. Following are two random examples:

- (1) Item 10: Daywork drilling, shown as \$4200/day (\$89/ft. for a dry hole and \$129/ft. for a completed well). HEYCO can drill a comparable well on a footage rate basis for \$39/ft. (dry hole) and \$71/ft. (completed well).
- (2) Item 22: Well logging and services, shown as \$50,000. HEYCO's logging expense for its proposed 14,000' Devonian well is \$14,000.

Enclosed for comparison purposes is a copy of the actual AFE (with name and location blanked out) showing drilling and completion costs for a 14,000' Devonian well HEYCO expects to drill this year in Lea County, New Mexico. It will be readily apparent that these anticipated costs are considerably lower than Marathon's AFE. HEYCO has found that in order to keep their people working, contractors are glad to submit bids sufficiently low to be competitive in today's market.



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June 4, 1986 Marathon Oil Company Marathon's Proposed Benson #1

Marathon's well proposal is still being evaluated, and HEYCO's decision to join or farm out its interest will depend to some extent upon Marathon's revision of the AFE costs.

We will be interested in learning of Marathon's assessment of our recommendation. Please call us if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Very truly yours,

Rosemary T. Avery

Land Department

RTA/dln

Working Interest Owners (with AFE)

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LEASE NAVE & WELL NUMBER:

ACCT NO.

LEGAL LOCATION:

14000 depth:

FORMATION: DEVONTAN

COUNTY: LEA DEPTH: 14000 AFE TYPE: (1) DEV (2) EXP (3) NO /RE-ENTRY (4) OTHERS =

9211 LOCATION, RIGHT OF WAY 9212 FOOTAGE: FEET @ \$/FOOT	
9210 STANING DAMGES & LEGAL FEES	8.000 \$8.000 2,500 \$12,500 4,000 \$274,000 7,300 \$47,300 5,000 \$5,000 0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 6,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9211 LOCATION, RIGHT OF WAY	2,500 \$12,500 4,660 \$274,600 7,500 \$47,500 5,060 \$5,000 0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 6,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9212 FOOTAGE: FEET 2 \$/FOOT 14000 \$21.00	4,000 \$274,000 7,300 \$47,300 \$,000 \$5,000 0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 \$,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9213 DAYHORK: DAYS & \$/DAY 11 \$4,300	7,300 \$47,300 \$,000 \$5,000 0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 \$,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9213 SURFACE CASING CEMENTING & SERVICE	\$,000 \$5,000 0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 6,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9215 DRILLING MUD.ADDITIVES & WATER————————————————————————————————————	0,000 \$40,000 7,500 \$17,500 6,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9215 MUD LOGGING UNIT, SURVEYS ETC	7,500 \$17,500 6,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
921	8,500 \$18,500 1,500 \$1,500
9213 GENERAL MISC. (ROF TEST.RATHOLEETC)	1.500 11,500
922) RENTAL TOOLS & EQUIFMENT	·
922: COMPANY SUPERVISION	
9224 MISC. BITS. TOOLS & SUPPLIES \$45 TOTAL INTANGIBLE DRILLING COSTS \$45	2,000 \$12,000
*******	1,500 \$1,500
	2,800 \$462,800
OTA INTERIOR FORMATION FULLIGITION:	***************
923. CORING, TOOLS & SERVICE	\$9 \$0
	60,000 \$50,000
	4,000 \$14,000
9234 MISC. FORMATION EVAL	\$0 50
	4,000 \$44,000
7240 INTANGIBLE COMPLETION COSTS:	
924) COMPLETION UNIT COST: DAYS & \$/DAY 15 \$1,500	\$22.500
924: MUD. WATER & ADDITIVES	\$2,500
9244 CEMENT, TOOLS & SERVICES (PROD.STRINGETC)	\$25,000
9245 ELECTRIC LOGS (CBLETC.), TESTING	16,000
9246 TOOL & EQUIPMENT RENTAL & TRUCKING	\$4,5W
9247 STIMULATION & TREATING	\$20,000
924E COMPANY SUPERVISION	\$3,000
9251 BITS, TOOLS & SUFFLIES	\$2,000
9252 FLUG FACK	\$5,000
9252 HISC. CCHTINGENCIES	\$59,730
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9300 TANGIBLE BRILLING & COMPLETION COSTS:	
9301 SURFACE CASING COSTS: (SIZE & FEET) 13-378 \$1	10,000 \$10,000
7303 INTERMEDIATE CASING: (SIZE & FEET) 8 5/8 4800 \$6	52,500 \$52,500
9303 FRODUCTION CASING: (SIZE & FEET) 5 1/2 14000	\$14,000
9304 FRODUCTION TUBING: (SIZE & FEET) 2 3/8 14000	155,000
9305 CASING HEAD	\$4,500
9306 CASING SPOCL	\$5,500
9307 TURING HEAD	\$5,000
7308 CHRISTMAS TREE	11.500
9310 SUBSURFACE EQUIFMENT	12.60
9311 MISC FIFE COMMECTIONS	\$1,500
9312 FACKER & SPECIAL EDUIFMENT	14,000
9513 MISCELLAREOUS CONTINGENCIES	
	01.965 \$162.050
9400 GETEFAL LEASE & BATTERY EQUIFMENT:	
9401 FUMFING UNIT (FRIME MOVER)	160,000
9402 SEFARATORS, GAS PROD.UNITS,ETC.	\$10,000
9405 TAVES: NO. & SIZE 2/400 BELS	\$7,000
9410 INSTALLATION COSTS	\$15,000
9411 FLOW LINES, VALVESEIC	18,500
9415 MISCELLAGOUS LEASE EQUIPMENT	\$2,500
TOTAL GENERAL LEASE & BATTERY EQUIFHENT COSTS	10 1105,000
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Marathon Oil Company

AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE

DETAIL OF WELL COSTS

AFE NO.	
DATE	4/29/86

SHEET	OF SI	HEETS DETAIL OF WELL COSTS	UATE	4729730
Lease or Facilit	, Benso	on #1		
Field or Prospe	′ 	Garrett Deep		
Location:	Sec.	14, T-16-S, R-38-E		
		ounty, New Mexico		
—— Wildcat ⊠			Recompletion 🗔	Workover 🗀
	10.00			
Est. Total Dept	h <u>13.50</u>	Est. Urilling Days O	5 Est. Completion Days	
SOURCE	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	FEATURE ON NO. NO.	COST
		DRILLING COSTS - TANGIBLE		
			<u> </u>	
		Drive Pipe	1	
	40'		2	2,000
		13-3/8"Surface	3	7,000
	5,00C'	9-5/8" Intermediate -Casing, Liner, or Tieback	4	80.000
		Liner Hanger and Tieback Equipment	5	30,000
		Casinghead Miscellaneous	6 7	10,000
				10,000
		TOTAL DRILLING COSTS – TANGIBLE		129,000
		DRILLING COSTS - INTANGIBLE		
		Location and Access	9	60,000
	85	Daywork Drilling 4200/day with fuel	10	357,000
		Footage Basis Drilling	11	337.000
		Direct Supervision	14	34,000
		Bits, Hole Openers, Stabilizers, etc.	15	80,000
		Mud and Mud Services	16	120,000
		Rig Fuel	17	
		Water	18	40,000
		Rental Equipment and Tools	19	90,000
		Casing/ Drive Pipe Tools, Services and Accessories	20	20,000
	·	Cement and Cementing Service	21	30,000
		Well Logging and Services	22	50,000
		Mud Logging Pide Inspection	23 24 1	24,000
		Directional Services	25	10,000
		Coring	26 :	10,000
		Formation Testing	27	40,000
		Diving Services	28 1	
		Mobilization/ Demobilization	23	30,000
		Air Transportation	30	
		Marine Transportation	31	
		Land Transportation	32	30,000
	 	Shore Base Services	33	
		Communications	34	
		Fishing Tools and Services	35	
-		Abandoning Tools and Services	36	/0.000
		Miscellaneous Material and Services Dry Hole Contributions	37	40,000
		Overhead	38 39	
		Indirect Expense	40	10,000
		TOTAL DRILLING COSTS - INTANGIBLE		1,075,000
			TOTAL DRILLING COSTS	\$ 1,204,000
			TOTAL BITTELING COSTS	-,207,000
	. •	COMPLETION COSTS - TANGIBLE	.	
	13,500	5-1/2" Production Casing	42	150,000
		· Liners	43	130,000
	13,000	2-7/8" Tubing	44	90,000
		Liner Hanger and Tieback Equipment	45	70,000
		Christmas Tree	46	40,000
		Subsurface Safety Shut-In Devices	47	
		Packers	48	10,000
		Subsurface Artificial Lift Equipment	49	
	. •	· TOTAL COMPLETION COSTS – TANGIBLE		290,000
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AFE NO. 4/29/86

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		COMPLETION COSTS - INTANGIBLE		D
]	Location and Access	51	
	20	Completion Rig	62	24,000
		Contract Service Units	63	
		Direct Supervision	54	6,000
		Company Labor Contract Labor	55 56	
		Rig Fuel	57	
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		Wireline Cased-hole Plugbacks Miscellaneous Material and Services	76	10,000
		Sidetrack or Milling Sections	79	
		Overnead	· e;	
		Indirect Expense	50	
		TOTAL COMPLETION COSTS – INTANGIBLE		175,000
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		SURFACE EQUIPMENT - TANGIBLE	ļ	
		Pumping Equipment	33	
		Tanks and Related Equipment	34	10,000
		Company Labor and Non-Hauling Units Contract Labor and Non-Hauling Units	85 86	
	 	Water Injection Equipment	87	
		Heater-Treater	\$8	10,000
		Miscellaneous Supplies Dehydrating Equipment	89	10,000
		Separator-Trap	91	10,000
		Transportation	92	5,000
	 	Metering Equipment Line Pipe	93	5.000
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		Compressors	96	
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		TOTAL SURFA	ACE EQUIPMENT - TANGIBI	
	SUMMARY	OF ESTIMATED DRILLING WELL COSTS	TOTAL COST	MARATHON'S S
Total Drilling Cost \$ 1,204,000		s		
	Total Completion Cost 465,000 Total Surface Equipment 50,000			
Grand Total Cost \$ 1,719,000		\$		
			1,717,000	
	Maratho	h's Share of Grand Total Cost to be Booked This Year		
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