

Ammonite Energy Texas Inc.
PRINCIPAL
247 Spring Park Drive, Suite "A"
Midland, TX 79705

Underwriters Indemnity Company
SURETY
8 Greenway Plaza, Suite 400
Houston, TX 77046

Address
By [Signature]
Signature
President
Title

Address
[Signature]
Roy C. Die, Attorney-In-Fact

(Note: Principal, if corporation, affix corporate seal here.)

(Note: Corporate surety affix corporate seal here.)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR NATURAL PERSONS

STATE OF _____)
COUNTY OF _____) ss.

On this _____ day of _____, 19____, before me personally appeared _____, to me known to be the person (persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he (they) executed the same as his (their) free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR CORPORATION

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF TARRANT) ss.

On this 17th day of April, 1998, before me personally appeared Jos. S. Foster, to me personally known who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is President of Ammonite Energy Texas, Inc. and that the foregoing instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

[Signature]
Notary Public

10-06-200
My Commission Expires

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM FOR CORPORATE SURETY

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF HARRIS) ss.

On this 17th day of April, 1998, before me appeared Roy C. Die, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did say that he is Attorney-in-Fact of Underwriters Indemnity Company and that the foregoing instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors, and acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.

[Signature]
Nancy Cruz Notary Public



My Commission Expires _____
(Note: Corporate surety attach power of attorney.)

APPROVED BY:

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION OF NEW MEXICO

By: [Signature]
Date: April 21, 1998

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY
CERTIFIED COPY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and having its principal office in the City of Houston, Texas, does hereby constitute and appoint:

ROY C. DIE

its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required or permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise, in an amount not to exceed:

*******FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS*******

and the execution of all such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be binding upon said UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by its regularly elected officers at its principal office. This Power of Attorney is executed, and may be certified to and may be revoked, pursuant to and by authority of a resolution enacted by the Board of Directors of UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY. The following is a true transcript of said resolution:

That at all times since the formation of this corporation, the President or any Vice President, Assistant Vice President, Secretary or Assistant Secretary shall have power and authority.

- (1) to appoint attorneys-in-fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company; and attach the Seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and
- (2) to appoint special attorneys-in-fact, who are hereby authorized to certify to copies of any power-of-attorney issued in pursuance of this section and/or any of the Bylaws of the Company, and
- (3) to remove, at any time, any such attorney-in-fact or special attorney-in-fact and revoke the authority given to him.

Further, this Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors of said Company adopted by consent of which the following is a true excerpt:

"Now therefore the signatures of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by facsimile signatures and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached."

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY has caused this instrument to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by its authorized officer, E.H. Frank, III, on this the 30th day of April 1996.



E.H. Frank III

President

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

On this 30th day of April 1996, before me came the individual who executed the preceding instrument, to me personally known, and, being duly sworn, said that he is the therein described and authorized officer of UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY: that the seal affixed to said instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company; that the said Corporate Seal and his signature were duly affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said Company.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, at the City of Houston, Texas, the day and year first above written.



Robin N. Neville

NOTARY PUBLIC, Harris County, Texas

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned officer of UNDERWRITERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Section of the By-Laws of said Company as set forth in said Power of Attorney, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of April, 19 98



Greg E. Chilson

Assistant Secretary

Only a certified copy of Power of Attorney bearing the Certificate of Authority No. printed in red on the upper right corner is binding. Photocopies, carbon copies or other reproductions of this document are invalid and not binding upon the Company.
ANY INSTRUMENT ISSUED IN EXCESS OF THE PENALTY AMOUNT STATED ABOVE IS TOTALLY VOID AND WITHOUT VALIDITY.