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July 16, 1996

HAND DELIVERED

Mr. David R. Catanach
Hearing Examiner
Oil Conservation Division
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: *NMOCD Case 11577*
Application of Amerada Hess Corporation
for an unorthodox oil well location,
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

On behalf of Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc., an adversely affected offset operator, please find enclosed our Entry of Appearance in the referenced case current set for hearing on the July 25, 1996 Division Examiner's docket.

Very truly yours,



W. Thomas Kellahin

cc: *via facsimile to:*
William F. Carr, Esq.
Attorney for applicant
cc: *Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc.*
Attn: Hal Gill

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
AMERADA HESS CORPORATION FOR
AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATION,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 11577

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

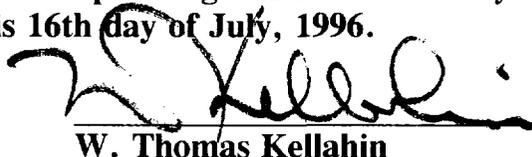
Comes now TAMARACK PETROLEUM COMPANY, INC., by
its attorneys, Kellahin and Kellahin, and enters its appearance in this
case as an interested party adversely affected by this application.



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

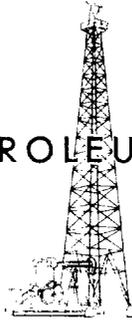
I certify that a copy of this pleading was transmitted by facsimile
to counsel for applicant this 16th day of July, 1996.



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Attention: Mr. David Catanach

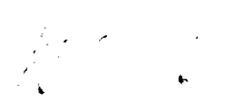
Re: **NOTICE OF PROTEST** - Case # 11577, Application of Amerada Hess Corporation for an Unorthodox Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico - Hearing Scheduled for July 25, 1996

Dear Mr. Catanach:

This letter is to advise that representatives of Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc., as operator of the lease offsetting the proposed unorthodox location, will appear at the hearing scheduled for this matter to protest the subject application.

Should any further information be required to assure our right to appear at the hearing, please advise.

Very Truly Yours,
Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc.


Hal Gill
District Engineer