



Texaco USA
Producing Department
Midland Division

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September 29, 1988

710960 - WEST JAL UNIT (67)
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
WEST JAL "B" DEEP NO. 1
1980' FNL & 660' FEL SECTION 17
T-25-S, R-36-E

BEFORE EXAMINER STOGNER	
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
TEXACO	EXHIBIT NO. 4
SE NO.	9490

EXPRESS MAIL/RRR:

Pitco Production Co.
Box 35368
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74153

Gentlemen:

According to our records, Pitco is the successor in interest to Shell Oil Company for the Oil and Gas Lease dated April 14, 1959, from Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, recorded in Book 180, Page 92, Lea County Records covering the S/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NE/4 Section 17, T-25-S, R-36-E (see attached plat).

This lease is contributed to the West Jal Unit covering among other lands the E/2 Section 17, T-25-S, R-36-E, Lea County, New Mexico. Texaco is the operator of this unit by virtue of the Operating Agreement dated February 2, 1962. We propose to recomplete/deepen the West Jal "B" Deep Well No. 1 from the Wolfcamp formation to the Strawn. In order to do this we will need to form a 320 acre proration unit, being the E/2 Section 17, T-25-S, R-36-E. There are 43 mineral owners under the S/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NE/4 Section 17, and all but five mineral owners have amended their leases to provide for pooling. The enclosed Amendment lists the four mineral owners that need to amend their leases and to expedite matters Texaco has already mailed copies of the Amendments to them for their execution. Please execute the enclosed Amendments and return them to Texaco keeping one original for your files. We will mail you an executed original from each mineral owner as they become available.

Texaco has applied for Compulsory Pooling to pool the mineral owners for the E/2 Section 17, T-25-S, R-36-E. The reason for this is the fact that one mineral owner in the SE/4 and NW/4 NE/4 Section 17 will not lease to us on reasonable terms. After we receive the Order from the Commission we will send out AFE's for partner approval. This should be in the latter part of November, 1988 since the force pool hearing is set for October 26, 1988.

Pitco Production Co.

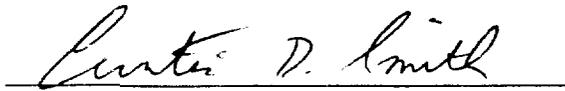
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Please execute and return the amendments at an early date and if you have any questions, please call at (915) 688-4486.

Yours very truly,

Texaco Producing Inc.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Curtis D. Smith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Curtis D. Smith
Land Representative

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cc: Atlantic Richfield Company
300 N. Pecos
Midland, Texas 79701

Chevron
15 Smith Rd.
Midland, Texas 79702

Phillips Petroleum Co.
4001 Penbrook
Odessa, Texas 79762

Pitco Production Co.
Box 35368
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Meridian Oil Inc.
1800 Wilco Bldg.
Midland, Texas 79701

Sun Oil Co.
Claydesta Plaza, Suite 600
Midland, Texas 79705

Coates Energy Trust
Energy Plaza II
8610 New Braunfels
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Midland, Texas 79702



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EXPRESS MAIL/RRR:

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827 Springs Ave.
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1300 Hwy Rt. 1, Box 307
Ash, North Carolina 28420

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Texaco Producing Inc. is the operator of the West Jal "B" Deep Well No. 1 located 1980 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 17, T-25-S, R-36-E, Lea County, New Mexico, see attached plat.

This well is presently producing from the Wolfcamp formation, which requires a 40 acre proration spacing unit, and is at or near its economic limit for Wolfcamp oil production. Texaco proposes recompleting/deepening the well to produce from the Strawn formation, making it a gas well. The required acreage for gas proration units in this field are 320 acres; therefore, we will be required to pool the entire E/2 Section 17 to meet the requirements for well spacing rules. Presently there are 43 mineral owners under the S/2 NE/4 and NE/4 NE/4 Section 17. All

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of the mineral owners have amended their Oil and Gas Leases to provide for Pooling with the exception of the addressees of this letter. In order for Texaco to recomplete this well and increase the ultimate production from your mineral ownership we will need to obtain an executed amendment from you.

Please execute the attached "Amendment to Oil and Gas Lease Authorizing Pooling" before a notary public and return to Texaco by October 5, 1988.

Your cooperation in this is appreciated and if you have any questions or comments, please call at (915) 688-4486.

Yours very truly,

Texaco Producing Inc.



Curtis D. Smith
Land Representative

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of pooled minerals from the portion of said land covered hereby and included in said unit in the same manner as though produced from said land under the terms of this lease. Any pooled unit designated by lessee, as provided herein, may be dissolved by lessee by recording an appropriate instrument in the county where the land is situated at any time after the completion of a dry hole or the cessation of production on said unit."

2. The undersigned also agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Amendment whether or not the same is agreed to by all of the parties owning an interest subject to said lease.

EXECUTED this 6th day of October, 1988, but effective as of October 1, 1988.

ATTEST:

Tonya Maroutsos
Tonya Maroutsos, Secretary

PITCO PRODUCTION COMPANY

BY:

Bruce D. Locke
Bruce D. Locke, President of The Prospective Investment and Trading Company, Ltd., Managing Partner

OWNER:

Henry E. Smith, by Lillian Smith Ward, his attorney-in-fact

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EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 1988, but effective as of October 1, 1988.

ATTEST:

PITCO PRODUCTION COMPANY

BY: _____

OWNER:
*Harry E. Smith, by Lillian Smith
ward, his attorney-in-fact*

HARRY

~~Henry~~ E. Smith, by Lillian
Smith Ward, his attorney-in-fact

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2. The undersigned also agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Amendment whether or not the same is agreed to by all of the parties owning an interest subject to said lease.

EXECUTED this 4th day of October, 1988, but effective as of October 1, 1988.

ATTEST:

PITCO PRODUCTION COMPANY

BY: _____

OWNER:

Harry E. Smith, by Lillian
Smith Ward, his attorney-in-fact

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
)
COUNTY OF LEA)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 19____, by _____, _____ of PITCO PRODUCTION COMPANY, a _____ corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

Notary Public in and for the State
of New Mexico

My Commission Expires: _____

STATE OF North Carolina)
)
COUNTY OF Robeson)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on Oct 3, 1988, 1988, by Lillian Smith, hired as Attorney in Fact for Harry E. Smith.

Shirley D. Covington
Notary Public in and for the State
of North Carolina

My commission expires: 4-22-89

STATE OF _____)
)
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 1988, by _____.

Notary Public in and for the State
of _____

My commission expires: _____

STATE OF _____)
)
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 1988, by _____.

Notary Public in and for the State
of _____

My commission expires: _____

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
)
COUNTY OF LEA)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 19____, by _____, _____ of PITCO PRODUCTION COMPANY, a _____ corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

Notary Public in and for the State
of New Mexico

My Commission Expires: _____

STATE OF Fla.)
)
COUNTY OF Dade)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on October 4th _____, 1988, by Richard L. Cromartie ~~NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA~~ AT LARGE.

~~NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA~~
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAR. 24, 1992
BONDED THRU AGENT'S NOTARY BROKERAGE *[Signature]*

Notary Public in and for the State
of Florida

My commission expires: March 24, 1992

STATE OF _____)
)
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 1988, by _____.

Notary Public in and for the State
of _____

My commission expires: _____

STATE OF _____)
)
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 1988, by _____.

Notary Public in and for the State
of _____

My commission expires: _____

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