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(See it in triplicate to appropriate
Regional Oil and Gas or Mining Supervisor)

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DATE 4-7-72

DESIGNATION OF OPERATOR

The undersigned is, on the records of the Bureau of Land Management, holder of lease

DISTRICT LAND OFFICE: **New Mexico**
SERIAL NO.: **N M 7752**

and hereby designates

NAME: **Dorchester Exploration, Inc. and J. Cecil Rhodes**
ADDRESS: **1204 Vaughn Building 822 Bldg. of the Southwest**
Midland, Texas 79701 Midland, Texas 79701

as his operator and local agent, with full authority to act in his behalf in complying with the terms of the lease and regulations applicable thereto and on whom the supervisor or his representative may serve written or oral instructions in securing compliance with the Operating Regulations with respect to (describe acreage to which this designation is applicable):

**All of the E/2 SW/4 & SE/4 Sec. 7, and NW/4 NW/4 Sec. 8, T-17-S,
R-30-E, N. M. P. M., Eddy County, New Mexico, below a depth of
5000', containing 280 acres, more or less.**

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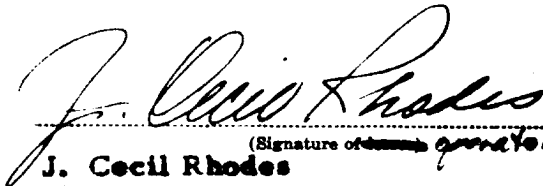
It is understood that this designation of operator does not relieve the lessee of responsibility for compliance with the terms of the lease and the Operating Regulations. It is also understood that this designation of operator does not constitute an assignment of any interest in the lease.

In case of default on the part of the designated operator, the lessee will make full and prompt compliance with all regulations, lease terms, or orders of the Secretary of the Interior or his representative.

The lessee agrees promptly to notify the supervisor of any change in the designated operator.

4-5-72

(Date)


J. Cecil Rhodes
822 Bldg. of the Southwest
Midland, Texas 79701
(Signature of designated operator)
(Address)

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