

RECEIPT AND RELEASE

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That

WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter (whether one or more) referred to as "claimant", claims that OXY USA Inc. hereinafter referred to as "the company", is indebted to claimant in various amounts in excess of \$ 1.00 for damages alleged to have been occasioned to the property of claimant by the company as hereinafter set out, all of which is denied by the company, and

WHEREAS, in mutual compromise, settlement, adjustment, and discharge of said conflicting claims of the parties, the company has agreed to pay to claimant and claimant has agreed to accept the sum of \$ 4,554.00;

NOW THEREFORE, the claimant for and in consideration of the sum of \$ 4,554.00, cash in hand paid by the company, receipt for which is hereby acknowledged, has RELEASED AND DISCHARGED, and by these presents does for its heirs, personal representatives and assigns, release and forever discharge OXY USA Inc., its successors and assigns, of and from all claims, demands and/or damages present, future or prospective, to the following described surface or subsurface of the land, improvements and/or crops thereon, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances situated in Eddy County, State of New Mexico, to wit:

on account of OXY USA Inc.'s operations thereon to wit; any and all damages resulting from the building of road and location for the operation of the OXY Tumbleweed No. 1, 990' FWL and 990' FNL, Sec. 2, T-18-S, R-25-E, Eddy County, New Mexico, and from and against all claims or demands whatsoever in law or in equity which the claimant, its heirs, executors, administrators or assigns can, shall or may have against said company, its successors and assigns, by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever prior to the date hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned executed this agreement this 30th day of NOVEMBER, 1999.

William G. Kennedy
William G. Kennedy

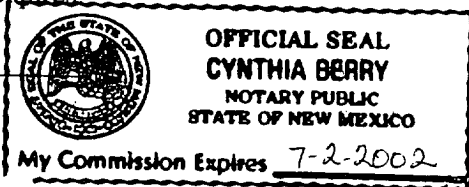
State of NM)
) ss
County of COLFAX)

This instrument was acknowledged before me this 30TH day of NOVEMBER, 1999, by WILLIAM G. KENNEDY, an individual.

WITNESS, my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

My commission expires:

07-02-2002



Cynthia Berry
Notary Public