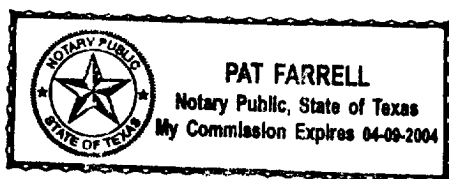


Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared S. Howard Norton, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed hereto, who, after being duly sworn, on oath states that he is the drilling contractor of the well identified in this instrument and that such well was not intentionally deviated from the vertical whatsoever.

S. Howard Norton
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SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO before me this 5th day of October 2000.



Pat Farrell
Notary Public in and for
Lubbock County, Texas.