

ASSIGNMENT OF CASH COLLATERAL DEPOSIT

(Must be a federally-insured bank or savings institution  
authorized to do business in New Mexico)

OCD Exhibit No. 9

Date September 26, 1995

Pursuant to Section 70-2-14, NMSA (1978), or successor provisions, Willow Creek Resources, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "operator") of P.O. Box 1309 Midland TX 79702 (address) has deposited with the Lea County State Bank (name of state or national bank or savings association) of P.O. Box 400 Hobbs, NM 88241 (address) (herein termed financial institution), the sum of ten thousand dollars in Certificate of Deposit or savings account No. TCD# 100085226. Operator hereby assigns and conveys all right, title and interest in the deposited sum to the financial institution in trust for the Oil Conservation Division of the Energy and Minerals Department or successor agency of the State of New Mexico. Operator and the financial institution agree that as to the deposited sum or fund:

- The Oil Conservation Division acquires by this assignment the entire beneficial interest in the fund, with the right to order the trustee in writing to distribute the fund to persons determined by the division to be entitled thereto, including the Division itself, in amounts determined by the Division, or to the operator upon sale or proper plugging of the well covered by this bond.
- Operator retains no legal or beneficial interest in the fund and has only the right to interest, if any, thereon, and to return of the fund upon written order of the Division.
- The financial institution agrees that the fund may not be assigned, transferred, pledged or distributed except upon written order of the Division or a court of competent jurisdiction made in a proceeding in which the Division is a party. The financial institution waives all statutory or common law liens or rights of set-off against the fund.

Operator agrees that the financial institution may deduct from interest due operator any attorney fees incurred by the financial institution if claim or demand via writ, summons or other process arising from operator's business is made upon the financial institution.

Chris F. Bosecker  
Signature of Operator,  
Personally or by Authorized Officer

Chris F. Bosecker, President

Title

Lea County State Bank  
Steven C. Cox  
Signature of Authorized Officer of  
Financial Institution

Steven C. Cox, Vice President

Title

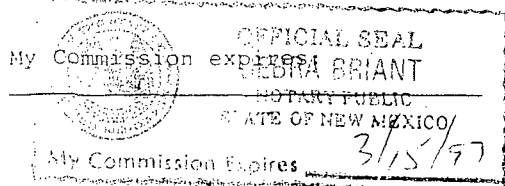
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

) ss.

COUNTY OF Lea

On this 26th day of Sept., 19 95, before me personally appeared Chris F. Bosecker and Steven C. Cox, to me known to be the person (persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that the (they) executed the same as his (their) free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and year in this certificate first above written.



Debra Briant  
NOTARY PUBLIC