### AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY

2000 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

December 29, 1967

LAND DEPARTMENT
KENNETH A. SWANSON, MANAGER

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. J. E. Kapteina

Re: Central Totah Unit

San Juan County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

We attach, in duplicate, for your approval and file a Resignation of Tenneco Oil Company as Unit Operator and Designation of Aztec Oil & Gas Company as Successor Unit Operator for the captioned unit.

Copies have been forwarded to the United States Geological Survey for its approval.

Very truly yours

Gordon E. Coe

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cc: Oil and Gas Supervisor
U. S. Geological Survey
P. O. Box 1857
Roswell, New Mexico

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Central Totah Unit San Juan County, New Mexico Working Interest Owners

cc: Tenneco Oil Company
900 Wilco Building
Midland, Texas 79701
Attn: Mr. J. D. Moon

Big Chief Drilling Company P. O. Box 14837 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Pioneer Production Corporation Box 2542 Amarillo, Texas

Mr. Warren Shear Box 807 Duncan, Oklahoma

Mr. Carl Houy, Trustee in Bankruptcy for Aspen Drilling Company, a Partnership 724 Patterson Building Denver, Colorado

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Oil and Gas Supervisor U. S. Geological Survey P. O. Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico

Re: Central Total Unit
San Juan County, New Mexico
USA No. 14-08-0001-8571

#### Gentlemen:

We attach, in quadruplicate, a Resignation of Tennaco Oil Company as Unit Operator and Designation of Aztec Oil & Gas Company as Successor Unit Operator pertaining to the captioned unit.

As stated in the instrument, the unitized interest committed by D. W. Falls withdrew from the Unit effective April 11, 1966. An assignment of this interest to the remaining working interest owners is presently being circulated. As soon as such assignment is completed, Tenneco and Big Chief will formalize the conveyance of their respective unitized interests to the remaining non-withdrawing working interest owners.

The instrument has been executed by all working interest owners with the exception of Mr. Warren Shear. Mr. Shear has been forwarded copies, but thus far has failed to execute and return them.

Upon completion of the above conveyances, the unitied interests will be owned as follows:

Aztec Oil & Gas Company 98.3371%
Pioneer Production Corporation .0997%
Aspen Drilling Company .7816%
Warren Shear .78164

We hereby request that you approve the attached instrument designating Azter OE OCC Oil & Gas Company as Successor Unit Operator under the Unit Agreement for the Central Total Unit.

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Very truly yours,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Gordon E. Coe

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

P. O. Box 2088

Santa Fe, New Mexico

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# RESIGNATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY AS UNIT OPERATOR AND DESIGNATION OF AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY AS SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR CENTRAL TOTAH UNIT SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO USA NO. 14-08-0001-8571

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THIS INDENTURE, dated this 28th day of September, 1967, by and between Tenneco Oil Company, a Delaware corporation, and the other Working Interest Owners in the Central Totah Unit,

#### WITNESSETH, THAT:

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Act of February 20, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, 30 U.S.C., et seq., as amended, the Director of the United States Geological Survey, on December 20, 1963, did approve the Unit Agreement for the Central Totah Unit, wherein Tenneco Corporation, acting by and through its Managing Agent, Tenneco Oil Company, was designated as Unit Operator; and

WHEREAS, Tenneco Oil Company has succeeded to all rights and interests of Tenneco Corporation in and under said Unit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Unitized Interests committed by D. W. Falls withdrew from said Unit effective April 11, 1966, and such Unitized Interests are now owned or claimed by the other Working Interest Owners; and

WHEREAS, Tenneco Oil Company and Big Chief Drilling Company have withdrawn from said Unit and have tendered their respective Unitized Interests to the remaining Working Interest Owners; all effective as of 7:00 A.M., October 1, 1967; and

WHEREAS, Tenneco Oil Company has resigned, and does hereby resign, as Unit Operator, effective as of 7:00 A.M., October 1, 1967; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said Unit Agreement, a designation of a Successor Unit Operator is now required and Aztec Oil & Gas Company is willing and able to assume the duties and obligations of the Unit Operator under said Unit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Working Interest Owners who have not withdrawn from said Unit have designated, and do hereby designate, Aztec Oil & Gas Company as Successor Unit Operator, all effective as of 7:00 A.M., October 1, 1967, but subject to the approval by the Director of the United States Geological Survey.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises hereinbefore set forth and of the promises hereinafter stated, Aztec Oil & Gas Company does hereby covenant and agree to fulfill all of the duties and assume all of the obligations of Unit Operator under and pursuant to all of the terms of the Central Totah Unit Agreement.

For the same consideration, the Working Interest Owners who have not withdrawn from said Unit and who are still parties to the Central Totah Unit Agreement, do hereby covenant and agree that upon approval of this Indenture by the Director of the United States Geological Survey, but effective as of 7:00 A.M., October 1, 1967, Aztec Oil & Gas Company shall be, and is hereby, granted the exclusive right and privilege of exercising any and all rights and privileges as Unit Operator pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Unit Agreement; said Unit Agreement and all supplements and amendments thereto, if any, are hereby incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as fully and effective as if the same were set forth in full in this Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Identure as of the day and year first set forth hereinabove.

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

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ATTEST:	BIG CHIEF DRILLING COMPANY
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STATE OF TEXAS	
COUNTY OF MIDLAND SS	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledg ber, 1967, by J. P. ROACH, Agent and Attorne Delaware corporation.	ed before me this $23^{2}$ day of Septemy-in-Fact for TENNECO OIL COMPANY, a
	Notary Public in and for Midland County, Texas
My commission expires June 1, 1969.	JOY J. ALLISON 900 WILCO BLDG. MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701
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	Notary Public in and for Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

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Director of the United States Geological Survey

## RESIGNATION OF TENNECO OIL COMPANY AS UNIT OPERATOR AND DESIGNATION OF AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY AS SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR CENTRAL TOTAH UNIT SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO USA NO. 14-08-0001-8571

MAIN OFFICE OUT

THIS INDENTURE, dated this 28th day of September, 1967, by and between Tenneco Oil Company, a Delaware corporation, and the other Working Interest Owners in the Central Totah Unit,

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WHEREAS, Tenneco Oil Company has succeeded to all rights and interests of Tenneco Corporation in and under said Unit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Unitized Interests committed by D. W. Falls withdrew from said Unit effective April 11, 1966, and such Unitized Interests are now owned or claimed by the other Working Interest Owners; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises hereinbefore set forth and of the promises hereinafter stated, Aztec Oil & Gas Company does hereby covenant and agree to fulfill all of the duties and assume all of the obligations of Unit Operator under and pursuant to all of the terms of the Central Totah Unit Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Identure as of the day and year first set forth hereinabove.

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

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Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

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#### GOVERNOR JACK M. CAMPBELL CHAIRMAN

### State of New Mexico

## **Bil Conserbation Commission**

LAND COMMISSIONER E. S. JOHNNY WALKER MEMBÉR



STATE GEOLOGIST A. L. PORTER, JR. BECRETARY - DIRECTOR

March 27, 1963

Mr. Richard S. Morris Re:	Case No. 2778
Seth, Montgomery, Federici & Andrews	Order No. R-2457
Attorneys at Law Box 828	Applicant:
Santa Fe, New Mexico	Tenneco Oil Company

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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#### TENNECO OIL COMPANY · P. O. BOX 1714 2835 SECOND AVENUE · DURANGO, COLORADO

April 2, 1963

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Elvis A. Utz

Gentlemen:

Re: Case No. 2778

Application of Tenneco Oil Company for Approval of Unit Agreement, Central

Totah Gallup Unit

Your attention is called to a typographical error in the Unit Agreement for the Central Totah Gallup Unit, presented as Exhibit No. 2 during testimony before the Commission on March 20, 1963. Section 2 on Page 2 of the Agreement should read 2736.66 acres instead of 3155.36 acres. This error will be corrected on the executed copies of the agreement.

Yours very truly,

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

R. A. Williford

Petroleum Engineer

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ce: Mr. R. S. Morris
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Tenneco Oil Co.

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#### TENNECO OIL COMPANY · 4TH. FLOOR 201 WALL BUILDIN (金) MAD (AND, JEXA) 79701 16

April 8, 1964

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: PA-1611

Central Totah Unit

San Juan County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Central Totah Unit Agreement dated October 1, 1962, is attached for your examination and approval as to the conservation provisions thereof.

If any fee is required in connection with this filing for approval, please notify the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

A. H. Trostman

Division Properties Supervisor

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