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State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P.O. Box 2088

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

Form C-102

NEARBURG EXHIBITING. 2

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT. 10297

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Nearburg Producing Company

Exploration and Production 1 Petroleum Center, Bldg. 8, Suite 100 3300 North "A" Street Midland Texas 79705 915/686 8235 Fax 915/686-7806

April 11, 1991

Mr. Richard P. Sevier Kerr-McGee Corporation P. O. Box 11050 Midland, Texas 79702 NEARBURS 3

Re: State of New Mexico lease LG 6381-3

Section 16-22S-27E Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Sevier:

Kerr-McGee Corporation owns a 9.375% working interest in the E/2 of the captioned section. Nearburg Producing Company plans to drill a Morrow test well on a W/2 Section 15 proration unit at a location 330' FWL and 2500' FNL. This is a non-standard location for which a hearing has been set May 2, 1991 before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

I respectfully request a waiver of the captioned location from Kerr-McGee Corporation and a Farmout of Kerr-McGee's 9.375% working interest in the E/2 of Section 16 on a straight 75% net revenue interest delivered to Nearburg Exploration Company with Kerr-McGee Corporation reserving the difference between 25% and existing lease burdens as an overriding royalty subject to proportionate reduction. Farmout would be conditioned upon Nearburg commencing a Morrow test well in the W/2 of Section 15 within 90 days of a signed agreement with Kerr-McGee. The Farmout would also provide that if Nearburg did not drill or cause to be drilled a Morrow test well in the E/2 of Section 16 within one year from the date of spudding Nearburg's well in the W/2 of Section 15, all rights under an agreement with Kerr-McGee would terminate unless extended by mutual written agreement.

The captioned lease was purchased by Kerr-McGee from Delta Drilling and is held by production by a marginal Morrow well located in the W/2 of Section 16-22S-27E. Your earliest possible consideration of these requests will be sincerely appreciated. Please call me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Mark K. Nearburg

Land Manager

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BRANEX RESOURCES, INC. POST OFFICE BOX 2328 ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88202 [505] 623-2840

April 16, 1991

CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Texaco USA P.O. Bex 2100 Denver, Colorado 80237

ATTN: David Sleeper.

RE: Township 22 South of Range 27 East, NMPM

Section 16: SE\(\frac{1}{2}\)NE\(\frac{1}{2}\), W\(\frac{1}{2}\)SE\(\frac{1}{2}\),

Containing 120 acres more or less

Eddy County, New Mexico

State of New Mexico OGL SN LG-6381

Gentlemen:

Texaco owns a 7.01325% after payout operating rights interest under an operating agreement covering all of Section 16, T22S-R27E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The operating agreement to which I refer is that certain agreement dated January 2, 1980, by and between Northern Natural Gas Company as Operator and Delta Drilling Company et al as Non-Operators. The above captioned lands were originally owned by Reserve Oil Inc. 75% and Delta Drilling Company 25%. Reserve Oil Inc. was acquired by Getty Oil Company and Getty was subsequently acquired by Texaco. In any event, Reserve Oil Inc. farmed out its interest in 240 acres (S½NW½, NW½SW½, SE½NE½, W½SE½ Section 16) embraced by State of New Mexico oil and gas lease SN LG-6381 to Northern Natural Gas Company in consideration of Northern drilling a Morrow formation test in the SW½NW½ Section 16.

The well to which Reserve Oil Inc. farmed out, the Carlsbad State Com. #1, subsequently made a successful Morrow gas well in 1980, and the $W^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Section 16, T22S-R27E, NMPM, was dedicated as the state mandated proration unit for said well. Reserve Oil Inc. had farmed out its 75% interest in and to the 240 acre tract under the entire 640 acre Section 16 on the basis of a 75% NRI before payout with the option to convert to a 25% WI after payout subject to proportionate reduction. Hence Texaco's present day operating rights ownership under all of Section 16 equaling 7.03125%.

Branex Resources, Inc. (Branex) and Pacific Enterprises Oil Company (PEOC) have been jointly working on a Morrow prospect to be drilled in the W_2 Section 15, T22S-R27E, NMPM, and have each written Texaco on two or three occasions in the past nine months with no positive response. The State of New Mexico has been advised of our intentions and because of the fact that the acreage in Section 16 has been held by production since 1980 without further development, the State has written a demand letter to the record title owner of lease SN LG-6381 (copy enclosed).

Texaco shares its undivided operating rights with Kerr-McGee and Hallwood Energy Company insofar as the $E^{1/2}_{2}$ Section 16 is concerned. (Hallwood is now Operator and successor in interest to Northern Natural Gas Company.) Hallwood and Kerr-McGee have responded positively to the letter written by the State of New Mexico insofar as further development is concerned.

Branex to Texaco April 16, 1991 Page 2

Branex has made arrangements for Nearburg Exploration Company of Midland, Texas, to buy PEOC's interest in our deal since PEOC has now closed their Midland office. Nearburg Producing Company will be the Operator of test wells to be located in the W_2^1 Section 15 and the E_2^1 Section 16. We are now proposing two Morrow test wells and are advising the State of New Mexico accordingly. The well in the W_2^1 Section 15 will be drilled first and each well will be drilled to approximately 12,000' subsurface. If the initial test well is a failure, we may or may not drill a subsequent test well.

We will not drill the initial test well in the W^{1}_{2} Section 15 without a commitment from Texaco insofar as the E^{1}_{2} Section 16 is concerned. Accordingly we hereby offer Texaco one of the following proposals insofar as Texaco's 7.03125% gross operating rights interest in the E^{1}_{2} Section 16, T22S-R27E, NMPM, is concerned.

- 1. We will purchase an outright assignment of Texaco's 22.5 net acres in the $E^1\!\!\!\!/_2$ Section 16 for a cash consideration of \$3,000.00; or
- 2. We will accept a one year "drill or reassign" assignment of Texaco's interest in the E^1_{2} Section 16 on the basis of a straight 75% NRI. Texaco would reserve a proportionate overriding royalty interest equal to the difference existing between total burdens and 25%, all subject to proportionate reduction.

Hallwood Energy and Kerr-McGee will agree to a waiver of the "Maintenance of Uniform Interest" provision in the operating agreement which covers all of Section 16.

We would request that Texaco agree to one of the two proposals outlined herein or we will ask that Hallwood propose a well under the terms and conditions of the existing operating agreement or we will attempt to "force pool" the interest. We believe that the State of New Mexico is going to force action on its lease in any event, so the choices presented to Texaco herein offer much more attractive alternatives than losing their interest in an implied covenants case. Your prompt consideration is appreciated.

Yours very truly,

BRANEX RESOURCES, INC.

F. Andrew Grooms by KEC

President

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c: Nearburg Producing Company Attn: Mark K. Nearburg

New Mexico Commission of Public Lands

Attn: Floyd Prando

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