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April 28, 1992

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KARAD CONSIGNOR 2
CASE NO 10470

Re: Detail of Communications with Mewbourne Oil Company W. Corbin Pros. (NM-189) Lea County, New Mexico

The following documents the contacts made with Mewbourne Oil Company in Maralo Inc.'s attempt to secure either Mewbourne's joinder or farmout of the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 13, T-18-S, R-32-E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico:

- 1. February 6, 1992 Mark Wheeler, Maralo's landman forwarded a letter (copy attached) requesting a farmout of the captioned acreage.
- February 24, 1992 Mewbourne forwarded a letter (copy attached) to Maralo replying to our February 6th letter and declining to farmout.
- 3. March 17, 1992 - John Thoma, Maralo's geologist, spoke on the telephone with Paul Haden, Mewbourne's landman regarding the possibility of pooling Maralo's leasehold with Mewbourne's and drilling a Wolfcamp test well. Mr. Haden replied by stating that Mewbourne "did not want to Wolfcamp well at this time." drill a Mr. Thoma requested when Mewbourne might be ready to drill such a test well and Mr. Haden responded, "I don't know". Mr. Thoma asked if Mewbourne's problem was with the Wolfcamp formation and Mr. Haden confirmed that fact, further stating that Mewbourne felt that Maralo could satisfactorily space and drill a Wolfcamp well in the E/2 SE/4 and not involve Mewbourne at all. Mr. Thoma informed Mr. Haden that Maralo was not interested in diluting Mewbourne's interest and would work to keep them whole. Mr. Haden replied that "while their Midland staff would like to drill a Wolfcamp well the SE/4 of Section 13, their owner (Mr. Mewbourne) did not."
- 4. March 31, 1992 Maralo forwarded a letter to Mewbourne (copy attached) stating that since Maralo was confronted with an impending deadline obligation due to its farmout from Enron that it would be a necessity for Maralo to apply for a force pooling hearing and requested that Mewbourne again reconsider its position and either participate or farmout the captioned acreage to Maralo.

- 5. April 8, 1992 Mr. Haden and Dexter Harmon, Mewbourne's geologist accepted a lunch invitation from Mr. Thoma and Mr. Wheeler. During lunch Maralo's general ideas for development of the area were discussed and Mr. Harmon stated that they would see if Mewbourne would agree to commit to either participate or farmout on the same terms Maralo had negotiated with Enron if Mr. Thoma would then agree to show Mr. Harmon his geologic interpretation and present Maralo's AFE.
- April 9, 1992 Mewbourne was notified by Mr. William Carr, Maralo's attorney, that Maralo had filed for a hearing set for April 30, 1992.
- 7. April 13, 1992 Mr. Haden and Mr. Wheeler spoke by telephone two times and Mr. Haden informed that Mewbourne would agree to either participate or farmout under the same terms as Enron had. Mr. Wheeler asked if Mr. Haden would forward a written commitment letter and Mr. Haden stated he would.
- April 16, 1992 Mr. Haden delivered said commitment 8. letter (copy attached) and Mr. Wheeler executed same, subject to Mewbourne advising, in writing, of its election to either participate or farmout on or before April 24, 1992. Later that same afternoon, Mr. Harmon visited Mr. Thoma at Maralo's offices and reviewed Mr. Thoma's geologic interpretation and returned to Mewbourne's offices with a proposed AFE from Maralo and a signed original of Mewbourne's commitment letter dated April 13, 1992.
- 9. April 20, 1992 Mr. Wheeler called Mr. Haden who stated that Mewbourne would notify Maralo in writing before April 24, 1992 of its decision. Mr. Wheeler stated that if Mewbourne could notify Maralo by said date, that Maralo would not go through with the proposed hearing.
- 10. April 22, 1992 Ken Waits, Exploration Manager for Mewbourne, informed Mr. Wheeler at the Federal Lease Sale in Santa Fe that Mewbourne's owner was coming to their Midland office on April 27th and that could be the earliest that Mewbourne could notify Maralo of its decision. Mr. Waits also stated that Mewbourne would not protest at the proposed hearing, if it came to pass. Mr. Wheeler contacted Mr. Carr to update him and Mr. Carr stated that Mr. Jim Bruce, Mewbourne's attorney, had contacted him and confirmed that Mewbourne would not be protesting at the hearing.

- 11. April 23, 1992 Mr. Haden called Mr. Thoma and advised that Mewbourne would be able to notify Maralo on Monday, April 27th or Tuesday, April 28th. Mr. Thoma inquired as to which way Mewbourne was leaning, but Mr. Haden did not know. Mr. Thoma offered to show Mr. Harmon some updated Wolfcamp work he had just finished. Mr. Thoma asked Mr. Haden to contact Maralo as soon as possible on Monday or Tuesday.
- 12. April 24, 1992 Mr. Harmon called Mr. Thoma to discuss Mr. Thoma's additional Wolfcamp work and stated that the Midland office intended to show this proposed test well information to Mewbourne's owner on Monday or Tuesday.
- 13. April 28, 1992 After not hearing from Mewbourne on Monday, April 27th, Mr. Wheeler called Mr. Haden and inquired if any decision had been reached. Mr. Haden stated that it appeared that Mewbourne's owner was not going to make said election at this point, and that Maralo should keep its reservations and attend the hearing on April 30th. Mr. Haden stated that Mr. Bruce would attend said hearing to observe but would <u>not</u> protest.

Respectfully submitted,

MARALO INC.

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Mark Wheeler, C.P.L. District Landman



February 6, 1992

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Mewborne Oil Company 500 W. Texas, Suite 1020 Midland, Texas 79701

Attn: Mr. Paul Haden

Re: Farmout Request SE/4 SW/4, SW/4 SE/4 of Section 13, T-18-S, R-32-E, NMPM; Federal Lease #68817 South Corbin Prospect (NM-189) Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Paul:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation today, this letter will serve as Maralo Inc.'s formal request for a farmout from Mewborne Oil Company ("Mewborne") of Mewborne's leasehold interest in the captioned acreage. The following terms and conditions are requested for said farmout:

1. Maralo will drill or cause to be drilled a well to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation at a depth of approximately 11,450' at a legal location in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 13, T-18-S, R-32-E NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico within one hundred twenty (120) days of Mewborne's execution of a formal farmout agreement. The proposed 80 acre proration unit for said well would be the S/2 SE/4 of said Section 13, which includes a portion of the captioned acreage.

2. Upon establishment of commercial production from said well, Maralo proposes to earn the following:

a. One hundred percent (100%) of Mewborne's leasehold interest in the captioned acreage subject to Mewborne reserving an Overriding Royalty Interest ("ORRI") equal to the difference between currently existing burdens on the acreage and twenty percent (20%), proportionately reduced, it being the intention of Mewborne to deliver Maralo an eighty percent (80%) Net Revenue Interest Lease.

b. Mewborne would be allowed to increase said reserved ORRI referred to in paragraph 2 a. herein to an amount equal to the difference between currently existing burdens on the acreage and twenty five percent (25%), proportionately reduced, after payout of said well. It would be the intent of Mewborne to deliver Maralo a seventy five percent (75%) Net Revenue Interest Lease after payout of said well.

Mewborne Oil Company February 6, 1992 Page -2-

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c. All rights earned by Maralo shall be limited in depth from the surface of the earth down to one hundred feet (100') below the deepest depth drilled in Maralo's well.

3. In the event the drilling of said well results in a dry hole, and no acreage is earned, Maralo will have the option to drill a similar test on said acreage, within one hundred twenty (120) days of the plugging of the initial well. If the drilling of said second well results in the establishment of commercial production, Maralo shall earn the same interest outlined above.

4. There shall be no obligation upon Maralo to commence operations on the initial well pursuant to the terms of the formal agreement, and the only penalty for failure to commence said operations will be the forfeiture of all rights that might be earned by said operations.

5. In order for Maralo to maintain its earned acreage outside of the proration unit established for the initial test well, Maralo must commence a continuous development program which would allow no more than one hundred eighty (180) days to elapse between the completion or plugging of the previous well and the commencement of actual drilling operations on the next succeeding well.

Please advise as soon as possible if the foregoing terms meet with your approval and begin preparation of a formal agreement. Should you have any questions concerning this request, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

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Mark Wheeler, CPL District Landman

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MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY

500 W, TEXAS, SUITE 1020 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

(915) 682-3715 FAX (915) 685-4170 February 24, 1992 FEB 2 5 1992

MARALO, INC. Land Dept. - Midland

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Maralo, Inc. P. O. Box 832 Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mr. Mark Wheeler

WEST LIRBEN (NM-189)

RE: Farmout Request <u>T18S, R32E</u> Section 13: SE/4SW/4 and SW/4SE/4 Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of February 6, 1992 wherein Maralor requested a farmout of Mewbourne's acreage under the captioned land under certain terms and conditions.

As set out in your letter referenced above, Maralo, Inc. as Operator proposes drilling an initial test well to a depth of 11,450' to test the Wolfcamp formation at a location in the SE/4SE/4 with the S/2SE/4 of the captioned Section 13 being dedicated to the well. It is our understanding Maralo has obtained a farmin of Enron's interest regarding said well.

Our ownership map of the area shows Enron owns Federal Lease NM-53239 which appears to cover the N/2SE/4 and SE/4SE/4 of the subject Section 13. Accordingly, your proposed test well could be dedicated to the E/2SE/4 of Section 13, being part of the acreage Maralo presumably obtained from Enron.

Please be advised, we acknowledge the governmental regulations imposed by the Bureau of Land Management regarding communitization. It is apparent that you can drill your proposed test well on acreage you already control.

In view of the above, Mewbourne respectfully declines to farmout its acreage under the captioned land and reserves its rights as an oil and gas lessee to develop its Federal lease NM-68817.

Sincerely,

Mewbourne Oil/Company

D. Paul Haden Landman

DPH/nb

CC: U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management P. O. Box 1778 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 Attn: Richard L. Manus Certified / Return Receipt Requested



March 31, 1992

Mewbourne Oil Company 500 W. Texas, Suite 1020 Midland, Texas 79701

Attn: D. Paul Haden Landman

> Re: <u>T-18-S, R-32-E, NMPM</u> Section 13: SW/4 SE/4 W. Corbin Prospect (NM-189) Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As you are aware, Maralo Inc. ("Maralo") has previously requested a farmout of the captioned acreage from Mewbourne Oil Company ("Mewbourne") as well as requesting that Mewbourne participate with Maralo in the drilling of a Wolfcamp formation Test Well in the S/2 SE/4 of the captioned Section. Since Maralo is confronted with time deadline obligations under the terms of our farmout agreement from Enron Oil & Gas Company ("Enron"), we are currently in the position of having to apply for a forced pooling order so as to maximally explore the Enron farmout lands for the Wolfcamp formation.

Maralo desires to avoid the necessity of a pooling hearing and hereby requests that Mewbourne reconsider its position and either participate in our planned test well or farmout the captioned acreage to Maralo.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact us. We would be happy to arrange a meeting between our companies in the near future.

Yours very truly,

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Mark Wheeler, CPL District Landman

MW/pjd:A.022 xc: Joe Pulido / John Thoma U. S. Department of the Interior - BLM

Maralo Inc. / P.O. Box 832 / Midland, Texas 79701 / (915) 684-7441

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500 W, TEXAS, SUITE 1020 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

(915) 682-3715 FAX (915) 685-4170 April 13, 1992 APR 1 3 1992

MARALO, INC. Land Dept. - Midland

Maralo, Inc. P. O. Box 832 Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Mark Wheeler

RE: Maralo Well Proposal <u>T18S, R32E</u> Section 13: SE/4 Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

As discussed this date, Mewbourne Oil Company agrees to do one (1) of the following in regard to Maralo's well to be drilled in the SE/4SE/4 of the captioned Section 13:

- 1) Mewbourne is agreeable to farming its interest in the operating rights to Maralo under the SW/4SE/4 as to rights from the surface to the base of the Wolfcamp formation for an initial test well to be drilled in the SE/4SE/4 with the spacing unit comprising the S/2SE/4. Mewbourne would deliver Maralo a 75% net revenue interest lease before payout with Mewbourne having the option to convert its override at payout to a 25% working interest or increasing Mewbourne's override to 17.5% of 8/8 subject to existing burdens. The above referenced override or working interest if converted would be subject to proportionate reduction as to Mewbourne's interest applicable to the spacing unit assigned to Maralo's well.
- 2) In the event Mewbourne elects not to farmout its interest as described above, Mewbourne is agreeable to joining Maralo in the proposed test well on a 160 acre unit basis. Said unit would comprise the SE/4 of the subject Section 13 covering all rights from the surface to the base of the Wolfcamp formation. It is understood Mewbourne would contribute its 83.5% net revenue interest as to its lease in the SW/4SE/4 to the unit with Maralo contributing its 75% net revenue interest lease in the N/2SE/4 and SE/4SE/4 of said Section 13 which is subject to the terms of an Enron farmout agreement granted to Maralo.

The above terms agreed to by Mewbourne are general terms acceptable to Mewbourne. A mutually acceptable farmout agreement or working interest unit agreement between Mewbourne and Maralo shall be prepared at a later date.

The above general terms and conditions are submitted by Mewbourne at Maralo's request with the understanding Maralo, Inc. agrees to meet with Mewbourne Oil Company to discuss geology in regard to Maralo's proposed test well.

If the above terms are acceptable to Maralo Inc. please indicate Maralo's acceptance by signing and returning the copy of this letter to the undersigned.

Sincerely, Mewbourne Øil Company Hauthad

D. Paul Haden Landman

AGREED and ACCEPTED this 16th day of April, 1992. * SUBJECT TO MEWBOULNE MARALO INC. ADVISING, IN WATTING, OF ITS BY: CHOICE OF 21 Tenis MARK WHEELER, CPL ABUE ON DR District Landman BEFORE APRIL 24, DPH/nb 1442 AT 5 00 pm. CDT. CC: Gary L. Winter Ken Waits CMIT

BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MARALO, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. AFFIDAVIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO) STATE OF NEW MEXICO) SS. COUNTY OF SANTA FE) CASE NO. 10470 CONVENTION CONVENTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO) SS. COUNTY OF SANTA FE

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Maralo, Inc., the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that the notice provisions of Rule 1207 of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division have been complied with, that Applicant has caused to be conducted a good faith diligent effort to find the correct addresses of all interested persons entitled to receive notice as shown by Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and that pursuant to Rule 1207, notice has been given by certified mail as provided by such rule.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this <u>24th</u> day of April, 1992.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: August 19,1995

EXHIBIT A

Mewbourne Oil Company 500 West Texas, Suite 1020 Midland, Texas 79701

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LAWYERS

MICHAEL B. CAMPBELL WILLIAM F. CARR BRADFORD C. BERGE MARK F. SHERIDAN WILLIAM P. SLATTERY

PATRICIA A. MATTHEWS MICHAEL H. FELDEWERT

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JEFFERSON PLACE SUITE I - 110 NORTH GUADALUPE POST OFFICE BOX 2208 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-2208 TELEPHONE: (505) 988-4421 TELECOPIER: (505) 983-6043

April 8, 1992

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mewbourne Oil Company 500 West Texas, Suite 1020 Midland, Texas 79701

Re: Application of Maralo, Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Maralo, Inc. has filed an application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking the force pooling of all mineral interests in the S/2 SE/4 of Section 13, Township 18 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Maralo, Inc. proposes to dedicate the referenced pooled acreage to a well to be located at an orthodox location in the SE/4 SE/4 of said Section 13 in the Wolfcamp formation.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on April 30, 1992. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be subject to pooling, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases have been requested by the Division (Memorandum 2-90) to file a Prehearing Statement substantially in the form prescribed by the Division. Prehearing statements should be filed by 4:00 o'clock p.m. on the Friday before a scheduled hearing.

Verly truly yours,

WILLIAM F. CARR ATTORNEY FOR MARALO, INC. WFC:mlh cc: Mark Wheeler

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