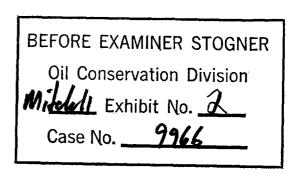
April 25, 1990

CERTIFIED MAIL

Rowan Petroleum, Inc. 1900 Post Oak Tower 5051 Westheimer Road Houston, Texas 77056

Attention: Mr. R. G. Croyle

RE: Proposed Delaware Test Milky Way State #1 MILKY WAY PROSPECT Lea County, New Mexico





Gentlemen:

Mitchell Energy Corporation proposes the formation of a 160.00 acre working interest unit made up of the SE/4 of Section 17, T-18-S, R-35-E, Lea County, New Mexico, and the drilling of a well to test and evaluate the Delaware formation at a depth of approximately 6,700'. The well would be located approximately 1,980' FSL and 330' FEL of said Section 17. At this time, we anticipate the proration unit for the test well will consist of the NE/4 SE/4 of said Section 17.

The test well and subsequent operations within the proposed working interest unit will be governed by the terms of an AAPL 610-1982 Model Form Operating Agreement with COPAS 1984 Onshore Accounting Procedure designating Mitchell as operator. A copy of said operating agreement will be forwarded to you in the next few days. At this time, we anticipate spudding the well on or before July 31, 1990.

According to our information, it appears the potential participants and their respective interests within the proposed working interest unit are as follows:

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We would appreciate your confirmation of the above interest at your earliest possible convenience.

Enclosed herewith are duplicate copies of the AFE Cost Estimates for Dry Hole Costs and Completed Well Costs. If you elect to participate in drilling the proposed well, please execute and return one (1) copy of each of the AFE Cost Estimates to the undersigned.

Should you elect not to participate in said well, Mitchell proposes Rowan either sell all of its right, title and interest in and to State of New Mexico Oil and Gas Lease V-1565 insofar as said lease covers the SE/4 of Section 17, T-18-S, R-35-E, Lea County, New Mexico, for \$100.00 per net acre or farmout its interest in said lands under the following general terms:

- Mitchell would propose to commence the drilling of a Delaware test well at a location approximately 1,980' FSL & 330' FEL of Section 17, T-18-S, R-35-E, Lea County, New Mexico, on or before July 31, 1990, and agrees to drill said well to a depth of 6,700' or a depth sufficient to adequately test the Delaware Formation, whichever is the lesser depth.
- 2. Upon completion of the above well as a producer of oil and/or gas in paying quantities, Mitchell will earn 100% of Rowan's interest included in the proration unit for the well, subject to Rowan's reservation of an overriding royalty interest equal to the difference by which 25% exceeds existing lease burdens, convertible at payout upon your election to a proportionately reduced 25% working interest. In addition to the above, Mitchell would earn 50% of Rowan's interest in that portion of the farmout acreage not included in the proration unit for the earning well. Rights earned would be limited to 100' below total depth drilled.

The lease which is the subject of this proposal will expire unless actual drilling operations are commenced on or before August 1, 1990. Accordingly, we ask that you respond to this proposal no later than May 14, 1990, in order that we may proceed with our drilling plans.

Respectfully,

MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION

Larry D.-Cunningham

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District Landman

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EXPRESS MAIL - CERTIFIED

Rowan Petroleum, Inc. 1900 Post Oak Tower 5051 Westheimer Road Houston, Texas 77056

Attention: Mr. R. G. Croyle

RE: Proposed Delaware Test Milky Way State #1 MILKY WAY PROSPECT Lea County, New Mexico



Dear Mr. Croyle:

Reference is made to Mitchell Energy Corporation's letter dated April 25, 1990, wherein Mitchell proposed the formation of a working interest unit to be made up of the SE/4 of Section 17, T-18-S, R-35-E, Lea County, New Mexico, and the drilling of a 6,700' Delaware test at a legal location in the SE/4 of said Section 17. In connection therewith, enclosed is a copy of the AAPL 610-1982 Model Form Operating Agreement with COPAS 1984 Onshore Accounting Procedure designating Mitchell as Operator referenced in said letter along with duplicate signature pages for said Operating Agreement. Duplicate copies of the AFE Cost Estimates for Dry Hole Costs and Completed Well Costs were to have been enclosed with the April 25th letter, however, due to an oversight, none were sent. Enclosed herewith are said AFE Cost Estimates.

If you elect to participate in the drilling of the proposed well, please execute and return one (1) copy each of the enclosed AFE Cost Estimates and one (1) signature page to the Operating Agreement to this office not later than May 14, 1990.

Sincerely,

MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION Smith Landman Seniok

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Enclosures

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17	Subsurface Ca	sing Equipment		2,500
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51	Footage Contr	act Fee (6700' @ \$13.50/	(fr)	90,500
52	Daywork Contr	act Fee (2 days @ \$3800/	/day)	7,600
53	Mud and Chemi	.cals (mud-up 5500')	•	20,000
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Development Dig and Abandon (Previous	ly Producing Well) Depth <u>6700'</u>
Injection Water Supply	
Form B-2 Add Change Delete	Group Code
AFE Number	Location Code
Property/Well Name <u>Milky Way Fed. #1</u>	Department Number730
Project Description <u>Complete</u>	County <u>Lea</u> St. <u>NM</u>
Net Working Interest 0_0_0	Operator <u>MEC</u>
Estimated Date Project Will Be Complete	ed (Mo./Yr.)
COMPLETION COSTS	Amount
<u>INTANGIBLE</u> 22 Overhead	\$2,000
23 Company Labor and Services	
24 Contract Labor and Services 25 Air/Marine Transportation	10,000
26 Other Transportation	2,000
 Plugging and Abandonment Rig Mobilization and Demobilization 	
29 Supervision - Company and/ or Contract	
30 Site Preparation and Clean-up 31 Subsurface Casing Equipment	1,000 2,000
32 Squeeze Cement and Service	
33 Completion Fluids 34 Pump Truck Services	1,000 2,000
35 Rental Tools	4,000
36 Bits and Reamers	
37 Insurance 38 Wireline Services	
39 Fishing Tools and Services	
*53 Tertiary Injectants 68 Fencing	
83 Daywork Contract Fee	6,000
84 Cement and Cement Services - Primary	15,000
 85 Acidizing and Fracturing *86 Cased Hole Logging and Perforating 	40,000
94 Miscellaneous Services and Contingency	
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69 Tubinghead Equipment (Including Valves	\$3,500
 70 Casing-Production and/or Liner 6700' 71 Tubing 6600' - 2 7/8" J-55 	<u>- 5 1/2" 17# K-55</u> 54,300 26,000
72 Packers and Subsurface Equipment	28;000
73 Production Tree (Including Valves)	
 74 Storage Tanks <u>2-400 bbl steel & 1-400</u> 75 Separating Equipment 	bbl fiberglass 13,000
76. Treating Equipment <u>4x20 Heater treater</u>	r 7,900
77 Artificial Lift Equipment <u>C-320-305-1</u>	00 w/76 rod string & pump 39,000
 78 Line Pipe 79 Valves and Fittings Beyond Wellhead 	1,000
80 Miscellaneous Equipment	1,300
81 Platform and Structures	
82 Metering Equipment 87 Pumps	
90 Electrical Equipment	
91 Instrumentation Equipment	
96 Dehydrators and Dryers TOTAL TANGIBLE COSTS	
TOTAL COMPLETION COSTS	<u> 146,000</u> \$242,000
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ROWAN PETROLEUM, INC.

1900 POST OAK TOWER 5051 WESTHEIMER, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77056 TELEPHONE (713) 621-7800 TELEX: 275542

May 15, 1990

Mitchell Energy Corporation 1000 Independence 400 West Illinois Midland, Texas 79701

Attn: Mr. Steven J. Smith Senior Landman

Re: Proposed Delaware Test Milky Way State No. 1 Milky Way Prospect Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that Rowan Petroleum, Inc. has elected to Participate in the drilling of the proposed referenced well. Enclosed please find one copy of the AFE for the well. We will respond on the Operating Agreement after seeing Texaco's comments, if any.

Very truly yours,

ROWAN PETROLEUM, INC.

R. G. Croyle

Vice President,

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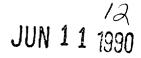
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AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE (AFE) COST ESTIMATE

Type Project (check 1 or	nly)	
🖾 Exploratory 🔲 Injection	Water Supply	
Development Disposal	Depth <u>6700'</u>	
Form B-1 Add Change Delete	Group Code	
AFE Number	Location Code	
Property/Well Name <u>Milky Way Fed No. 1</u>	Department Number712	
Project Description Drill	County Lea St. NM	
Net Working Interest	Operator <u>MEC</u>	
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Estimated Date Project Will Be Completed	(Mo./Yr.)	
DRILLING COSTS INTANGIBLE	Amount	
10 Dry Hole Abandonment		
11 Rig Mobilization and Demobilization 12 Power and Fuel		
13 Water 14 Solids Control Equipment Rental	10.000	
*15 Directional Equipment and Services		
16 Fishing Tools and Services 17 Subsurface Casing Equipment	2,500	
18 Contract Labor and Services	10,000	
19 Supervision - Company and/or Contract (15 da	ays @ \$500/day) 7,500	
50 Road and Site Preparation 51 Footage Contract Fee (6700' @ \$13.50/ft)	25,000	
51 Footage Contract Fee (6700' @ \$13.50/ft) 52 Daywork Contract Fee (2 days @ \$3800/day)	90,500	
53 Mud and Chemicals (mud-up 5500')	20,000	
54 Bits and Reamers 55 Drilling Tool and Equipment Rental		
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*57 Open Hole Logging-Testing (incl 12 days ML		
*58 Drill Stem Testing 59 Coring and Analysis		
60 Transportation	4,500	
61 Air/Marine Transportation		
63 Overhead 64 Insurance	5,000	
65 Company Labor and Services		
*66 Prospect Generation	10,000	
67 Miscellaneous Services and Contingency	10,000	
TOTAL INTANGIBLE COSTS	\$231,800	
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Project Description <u>Complete</u>	County Lea St. NM
Net Working Interest 0_0	Operator <u>MEC</u>
Estimated Date Project Will Be Completed	(Mo./Yr.)
COMPLETION COSTS	<u>Amount</u>
<u>INTANGIBLE</u> 22 Overhead	\$2,000
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80 Miscellaneous Equipment 81 Platform and Structures	1.300
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ROWAN PETROLEUM, INC.

1900 POST OAK TOWER 5051 WESTHEIMER, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77056 TELEPHONE (713) 621-7800 TELEX: 275542

June 8, 1990

Mitchell Energy Corporation 1000 Independence 400 West Illinois Midland, Texas 79701

Attn: Mr. Steven J. Smith Senior Landman

Re: Purchase Offer Mallard Bay Field Properties Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find one copy of the signature page to the AAPL Form 610 - Model Form Operating Agreement - 1982 for the referenced well.

That Agreement has been executed for Rowan Petroleum, Inc.'s interests by R. G. Croyle.

Very truly yours,

ROWAN PETROLEUM, INC.

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J. T. Boucher

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Enclosure

ARTICLE XVI. MISCELLANEOUS This agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and to their respective heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original for all purposes. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this agreement shall be effective as of ______ day of ______ April_____, 19_90_. OPERATOR MITCHELL ENERGY CORPORATION OVĂNOVICH NON-OPERATORS TEXACO, INC. BY: ROWAN PETROLEUM, INC. Croyle_ Lz. BY: · - - -

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