

RATIFICATION AND JOINDER OF UNIT AGREEMENT
AND
UNIT OPERATING AGREEMENT

In consideration of the execution of the Unit Agreement for the Development and Operation of the PANTHER HILL UNIT AREA, County of State of New Mexico, dated April 20, 1987, in form approved on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commission of Public Lands, and in consideration of the execution or ratification by other working interest owners of the contemporary Unit Operating Agreement which relates to said Unit Agreement the undersigned hereby expressly ratifies, approves and adopts said Unit Agreement as fully as though the undersigned had executed the original agreement.

This Ratification and Joinder shall be effective as to the undersigned's interests in any lands and leases, or interests therein, and royalties presently held or which may arise under existing option agreements or other interests in unitized substances, covering the lands within the Unit Area in which the undersigned may be found to have an oil and gas interest.

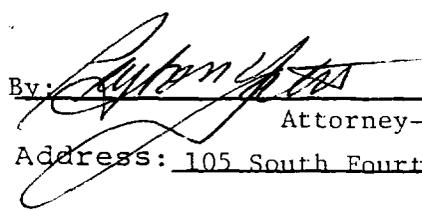
This Ratification and Joinder of Unit Agreement shall be binding upon the undersigned, his, her or its heirs, devisees, executors, assigns or successors in interest

EXECUTED this 23rd day of April, 1987.

YATES DRILLING COMPANY

Attest

TRACT(S) _____

By: 
Attorney-in-Fact

Address: 105 South Fourth Street

Artesia, New Mexico 88210

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
 : ss
COUNTY OF EDDY)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23rd day of April, 1987 by Peyton Yates, Attorney-in-Fact for YATES DRILLING COMPANY, a New Mexico corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

My commission expires:
March 1, 1990


Notary Public

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EXECUTED this 24th day of April, 1987.

ABO PETROLEUM CORPORATION

By *[Signature]* JB

Address: 105 South Fourth Street

Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attest

TRACT(S) _____

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
 : ss
COUNTY OF EDDY)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24th day of April, 1987 by John A. Yates, Attorney-in-Fact for ABO PETROLEUM CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

My commission expires:

March 1, 1990

Miriam S. Morrow
Notary Public

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EXECUTED this 23rd day of April, 1987.

MYCO INDUSTRIES, INC.

By Frank W. Yates Jr. 90

Address: 105 South Fourth Street

Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Attest

TRACT(S) _____

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
 : ss
COUNTY OF EDDY)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23rd day of April, 1987 by Frank W. Yates Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for MYCO INDUSTRIES, INC., a New Mexico corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

My commission expires:
March 1, 1990

Dwain S. Stewart
Notary Public

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EXECUTED this 23rd day of April, 1987.

ESTATE OF MARTIN YATES III
LILLIE M. YATES

Attest

TRACT(S) _____

Frank W. Yates Jr. 7B
Frank W. Yates, Jr., as Attorney-in-Fact
for Lillie M. Yates, individually and,
with S.P. Yates, Personal Representatives
of the Estate of Martin Yates III.

Address: 105 South Fourth Street

Artesia, New Mexico 88210

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
 : ss
COUNTY OF EDDY)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23rd day of April, 1987 by Frank W. Yates Jr., as Attorney-in-Fact for Lillie M. Yates, individually and with S.P. Yates, Personal Representatives of the Estate of Martin Yates III.

My commission expires:
March 1, 1990

William A. Kovalic
Notary Public

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EXECUTED this 29th day of April, 1987.

[Signature]
Attest

TRACT(S) 2

MARALO, Inc.

[Signature]
MARY RALPH LOWE,
Chairman of the Board &
Chief Executive Officer

Address: 4600 Post Oak Place - Suite 307

Houston, Texas 77027

STATE OF Texas)
COUNTY OF Harris)

On this 29th day of April, 1987, before me personally Mary Ralph Lowe to me know to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that (s)he executed the same as his/her free act and deed.

My Commission Expires:

8-13-88
SEAL

[Signature]
Notary Public
Darlene D. Whitaker

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EXECUTED this 20th day of May, 1987.

NICOR Exploration Company

Rebecca R. Strauss

Attest

Rebecca R. Strauss
Assistant Secretary

TRACT(S) _____

J. E. Schroeder

J. E. Schroeder, Vice President
Address: 1667 Cole Blvd.

Golden, Colorado 80401

STATE OF COLORADO)

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

On this 20th day of May, 1987, before me personally J. E. Schroeder, Vice President of ~~NICOR Exploration Company~~ to me know to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that (s)he executed the same as his/her free act and deed.

My Commission Expires:

2/23/88

SEAL

Judith A. Richmond
Notary Public