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April 19, 1989

To: WORKING INTEREST OWNERS
EAST HALF SECTION 12, T-25N, R-2W
RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Re: VOLUNTARY UNITIZATION:
INCLUSION IN CANADA OJITOS UNIT

We refer to letter to you dated April 11, 1989 from Sun Exploration and Production.

We presume you will be responding to Sun. We would appreciate it if you would also advise our company as operator of the Canada Ojitos Unit if you elect to voluntarily join the proposed expanded unit.

Also this letter confirms Sun's estimate of approximately \$600 per acre capital expenditure to join the unit. Further we advise that the Unit Agreement has a provision for non-consent participants for those who join but who elect not to make cash settlement of the investment adjustment. The cost recovery for non-consent participants is 300%.

The Canada Ojitos Unit is now under New Mexico statutory unitization regulations; and as such any expansion — even though voluntary — must satisfy the statutory regulations. Accordingly, as Unit Operator, we will be filing for expansion of the unit under the statutory unit regulations. Under the timing of the Commission hearings, we anticipate this matter to be heard May 10.

BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP.

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Re: VOLUNTARY UNITIZATION: INCLUSION IN CANADA OJITOS UNIT

We refer to letter to you dated April 11, 1989 from Sun Exploration and Production and our letter of April 19 regarding the same matter.

This is to advise that we made a mistake in our advice as to the cost recovery percentage for non-consent participants. In our letter of April 19, we said it was 300%. The correct recovery is 150% (100% of cost plus 50% penalty).

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April 11, 1989

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To: Attached Addressee List

Re: E/2 Section 12-T25N-R2W Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Sun and Dugan Production Corporation are the leasehold owners of the NE/4 of Section 12-25N-2W and you are the leasehold owners of the SE/4 of Section 12-25N-2W. The Sun/Dugan lease will expire under its own terms July 31, 1989, unless some action is taken to perpetuate the lease.

All three leases covering the E/2 of Section 12 are Federal leases. It should be noted that the E/2 of Section 12 is surrounded by producing wells. We believe that it is imperative that this leasehold be placed in a productive status as soon as possible since development or compensatory royalty could become an issue with the BLM. Also, because of the rough terrain in the area, it is anticipated that access to the well and location preparation will add an estimated \$100,000 to the cost of any well drilled in the E/2 of Section 12.

Sun and Dugan are of the opinion that the best course of action to take regarding the E/2 of Section 12 would be to include it in the Canada Ojitos Unit. Our geological data indicates that the E/2 of Section 12 will contribute reserves to the unit. This has already been discussed with the Operator and it was well received.

It is Sun and Dugan's contention that all parties will benefit from the expansion since no additional drilling or compensatory royalty would be required at this time. The anticipated capital expenditure to join the unit will be approximately \$600 per acre. Sun proposes that on behalf of the owners in the E/2 of Section 12 that it coordinate with the Operator of the Canada Ojitos Unit the enlargement of the unit to include the E/2 of Section 12-25N-2W.

For your reference, I have attached a list that Sun believes shows each owner and their interest in the E/2 of Section 12. Please advise if Sun's proposal to request inclusion of the E/2 of Section 12 in the Canada Ojitos Unit is acceptable.

Sincerely,

Frank L. McColloch Manager, Unitization

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PARTY	INTEREST IN E/2 SECT. 12
Sun	43.75%
Dugan	6.25%
Reading & Bates	12.50%
PC LTD	5.853274%
IBEX Partnership	5.853274%
Hooper, Kimball & Williams	12.5%
Carolyn Clark Oatman	.328062%
Warren Clark Trust	.305175%
Warren Clark Testamentary Trust	.160215%
Mountain States	6.25%
Ralph Gilliland	3.125%
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Duer Wagner, III	.21875%

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April 19, 1989

To: CANADA OJITOS UNIT
WORKING INTEREST OWNERS

Re: CANADA OJITOS UNIT

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO: PROPOSED 4TH EXPANSION TO INCLUDE E/2 SECTION 12, T-25N, R-2W

We refer to our letter of April 7 and advise that all ballots received to date approve the inclusion of the captioned tract and we are initiating the process to permit expansion of the unit.

The Canada Ojitos Unit is not only under the federal unit regulations, it is also now under New Mexico statutory unitization regulations; and as such any expansion - even though voluntary - must satisfy the statutory regulations. Accordingly, as Unit Operator, we will be filing for expansion of the unit under the statutory unit regulations. Under the timing of the Commission hearings, we anticipate this matter to be heard May 10 by an Examiner for the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.

If the Commission approves the application, all owners will then be polled to determine, formally, their positions respecting admittance of this tract to the unit.

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Re: CANADA OJITOS UNIT RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO: PROPOSED 4TH EXPANSION FO INCLUDE E/2 SECTION 12, T-25N, R-2W

BALLOT ENCLOSED

Owners under the captioned tract have asked that it be included in the Canada Ojitos Unit.

The Unit Operator recommends that we respond affirmatively to the request: the expansion has benefits for the unit.

We have been advised by those requesting admittance to the unit that they have two other options: drill a well on this tract of land; or pool these lands with the other well in the NW/4 of Section 12 resulting in a 640-acre proration unit. Neither of these latter two options is economically feasible: the area is essentially oil depleted; and the remaining gas volume under the tract is not sufficient to pay the cost of a new well, nor will pooling with the existing well provide income to equal the expense.

There is no assurance that if the owners join the unit that their shares of unit cost will guarantee a profit; but if this course is taken, there is a reasonable opportunity that it will.

Benefit to all concerned by bringing this tract into the unit would be the avoidance of drilling an unnessary well.

Benefit to the unit would be a reduction in reservoir withdrawals adjoining the unit and making less difficult the deterrence of migration of unitized substances from the unit.

The investment adjustment at this time for bringing a new tract of land into the unit approximates \$600.00 per acre; or \$192,000 for a 320-acre tract. The tract will be credited with approximately 0.6% of unit production.

Owners under the new tract will be allowed, individually,

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Canada Ojitos Unit Working Interest Owners

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to pay their shares of the investment adjustment or to elect to go "non-consent".

Enclosed is a ballot which we request each owner mark and return to us for our preliminary information with respect to this request. Submittal of this ballot is a non-binding indication of each owner's preliminary position.

If expansion is pursued formally, each owner will later be polled for a binding election of his position.

BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP.

BY:

lbert R. Greer, President

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Enclosures

CANADA OJITOS UNIT BALLOT

RE: NON-BINDING VOTE
WITH RESPECT TO
ADMISSION OF E/2 OF SECTION 12
TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST TO UNIT AREA

APPROVE ADMISSION		
DISAPPROVE ADMISSION		
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OWNER:		DATE:
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BEFORE THE

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRILLING CORP. FOR AMENDMENT OF ORDER R-8344 WHICH STATUTORILY UNITIZED THE CANADA OJITOS UNIT, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 9671

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

WILLIAM F. CARR, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp., 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 at the correct addresses provided by such rule.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 9th day of May, 1989.

Notary Public

WILLIAM F. CARR

My Commission Expires:

August 19, 1991

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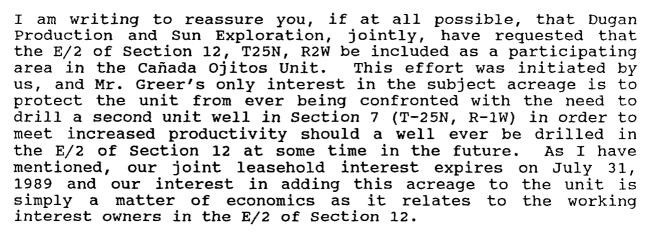
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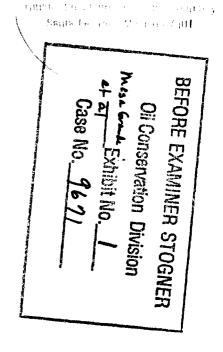
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Re: Dugan / Sun Leasehold Interest NE/4 of Section 12, T25N, R2W, NMPM Rio Arriba County, NM

Dear Kevin & Larry:



We have evaluated the option of forming a 640 acre spacing unit comprising all of Section 12 and dedicated to Mallon's Johnson 12-5 well, however, economics do not support this course of action and our leasehold interest would only be held as long as the integrity of the 640 acre spacing unit is maintained. In view of the production performance of wells within Gavilan, we are not optimistic that the formation of a 640 acre spacing unit will result in a long-term solution to our lease being held by production. Mr. Greer has indicated to me that his primary interest in this matter is to accommodate Dugan and Sun, who are both also interest owners in the Cañada Ojitos Unit. Mr. Greer's only other interest in this matter is to



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minimize the unit's exposure to drilling additional wells in the boundary area.

As you are probably aware, we are of the opinion that there currently are more than enough wellbores to produce the oil and gas recoverable in the Mancos formation and the drilling of additional wellbores within the Gavilan and/or West Puerto Chiquito Mancos Pools will likely result in noncommercial producers and economic waste.

I understand your concern with regards to a unit expansion into Range 2 West, however, I have been assured by Mr. Greer that there is absolutely no interest on his part of including any developed Gavilan acreage within the unit boundary given the current stage of reservoir depletion in Gavilan, and his efforts to date to establish a producing boundary at the meeting of Ranges 1 and 2 West. Again, with respect to the Cañada Ojitos Unit, this is merely an opportunity to protect against the possible drilling of two unnecessary and likely expensive wellbores.

I would be happy to discuss this matter further at your convenience. We have asked that this case be heard during the May 10, 1989 examiner hearings.

Sincerely,

John D Roe

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