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December 23, 1992

Case 3344

William J. LeMay, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503

> Re: Oil Conservation Division Order No. R-3007-A amending the definition of "Unitized Interval" in the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Order No. R-3007-A approved the application of Texaco, Inc. for amendment of the definition of "Unitized Formation" in the West Vacuum Unit Agreement. A copy of this Order is enclosed for your reference.

As you will note, Order paragraph 3 provides that the expanded definition of Unitized Interval shall become effective upon approval of this expansion by the Commissioner of Public Lands. This approval was received by Texaco on October 2, 1992. A copy of the Commissioner's approval letter is also enclosed.

Texaco needs a document which can be filed in the records of Lea County, New Mexico, to make other owners aware of this change in the unitized interval. Accordingly, we have prepared and enclose a Certificate of Effectiveness which contains the amended language in this agreement and defines the current unit boundaries. We would appreciate your executing this Certificate and returning it to me for filing.

William J. LeMay, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources December 23, 1992 Page 2

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

illand & 4 WILLIAM'F. CARR

WFC:mlh Enclosures

cc w/enc.: Robert G. Stovall, Esq. Ronald W. Lanning



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P.O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

October 2, 1992

Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A. P.O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208

Attn: Mr. William F. Carr

Re: Amendment of the Definition of "Unitized Formation" West Vacuum Unit Agreement Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Carr:

This office is in receipt of your application to amend the West Vacuum Unit Agreement to provide for expansion of the "Unitized Interval" as originally described in Section 2, Subsection (j) of said agreement.

We have also received additional documentation supporting your application, and a copy of the New Mexico Oil Conservation's Case No. 3344 (Reopened), Order No. R-3007-1 approving said amendment dated May, 6, 1992.

It is our understanding that 99.8% of the working interest owners in the West Vacuum Unit have approved the applicant's proposed expansion of the "Unitized Formation". In addition, it is also our understanding that the unit in all other respects will remain unchanged.

Please be advised that the Commissioner of Public Lands concurs with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and has this date approved the amendment to the definition of "Unitized Formation" in the West Vacuum Unit Agreement. Please submit copies of the "Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area" executed by the various working interest owners in said unit.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS. AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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### IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

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CASE NO. 3344 (Reopened) Order No. R-3007-A

#### APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-3007, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### **ORDER OF THE DIVISION**

#### **BY THE DIVISION:**

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 2 and 30, 1992, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner David R. Catanach.

NOW, on this 6th day of May, 1992, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) By Order No. R-3007 issued in Case No. 3344 on December 3, 1965, the Division, upon application of Texaco Inc., approved the West Vacuum Unit Agreement comprising some 2,000 acres, more or less, of State lands in portions of Townships 17 and 18 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of initiating and conducting secondary recovery operations.

(3) The applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks to amend the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and thereby Order No. R-3007, by revising the definition of the "Unitized Formation" as originally incorporated in said agreement. (4) According to evidence presented, the original "Unitized Formation" comprised portions of the Grayburg-San Andres formation which occur between the log depths, measured from the kelly bushing, of 4,213 feet and 4,750 feet in the Texaco Inc. State "V" Well No. 8 located 660 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Schlumberger Gamma Ray-Neutron Log run on said well.

(5) The applicant now proposes that the "Unitized Formation" comprise portions of the Queen, Grayburg and San Andres formations which occur between the log depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4,004 feet and 4,774 feet in the Texaco Inc. West Vacuum Unit Well No. 13 located 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Gamma Ray-Neutron Log run on said well.

(6) According to applicant's evidence and testimony, the "Unitized Formation" was originally intended to include the entire interval as described in Finding No. (5) above, however, due to the difficulty in correlating the San Andres formation between logs and due to the thickening of the reservoir in the unit area, such intent was not originally implemented.

(7) According to further evidence, the revenue from production from the unit area has historically been distributed among the various interest owners as if the "Unitized Formation" comprised the entire interval as now proposed by the applicant.

(8) As of the date of the hearing, approximately 99.8% of the working interest owners in the West Vacuum Unit have approved the applicant's proposed expansion of the "Unitized Formation".

(9) No interest owner appeared at the hearing in opposition to the application.

(10) Approval of the proposed amendment will allow the applicant the opportunity to recover hydrocarbons which may otherwise not be recovered, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

(11) Pursuant to Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, the applicant is in the process of obtaining approval for the proposed amendment from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(12) Approval of the proposed expansion should become effective as per the terms of Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and upon approval of such expansion from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(13) The applicant should be required to file with the Division copies of the "Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area" executed by the various working interest owners in said unit.

#### **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

(1) The application of Texaco Inc. for an amendment to the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, originally approved by Division Order No. R-3007, to provide for expansion of the "Unitized Interval" is hereby granted.

(2) The "Unitized Interval" shall hereinafter comprise portions of the Queen. Grayburg and San Andres formations which occur between the log depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4,004 feet and 4,774 feet in the Texaco Inc. West Vacuum Unit Well No. 13 located 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Gamma Ray-Neutron Log run on said well.

(3) The expansion of the "Unitized Interval" shall become effective as per the terms of Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and upon approval of such expansion from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(4) The applicant shall file with the Santa Fe Office of the Division copies of the "Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area" executed by the various working interest owners in said unit.

(5) Jurisdiction is hereby retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMAY Director

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#### WEST VACUUM UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

#### **CERTIFICATE OF EFFECTIVENESS**

The Oil Conservation Division of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, State of New Mexico, hereby certifies as follows:

1. The Oil Conservation Division entered Order No. R-3007-A dated May 6, 1992, which granted the application of Texaco, Inc., to amend the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, which previously had been approved by Order No. R-3007, to revise the definition of "Unitized Formation."

2. Order No. R3007-A provides that the expanded definition of "Unitized Interval" in this Unit Agreement shall become effective pursuant to the terms of Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement ... "upon approval of such expansion from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico."

3. The Commissioner of Public Lands concurred in Oil Conservation Division Order No. R-3007-A on October 2, 1992.

4. Effective October 2, 1992, all requirements for approval of Division Order No.

R-3007-A had been met and on that date this order became effective and the definition of "Unitized Formation" therein was amended to read:

"Unitized Formation" means that subsurface portion of the Unit Area including portions of the Grayburg-San Andres formations which occur between the logged depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4004 feet and 4774 feet in the Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. West Vacuum Unit Well No. 13 as shown on the Halliburton Gamma Ray-Dual Spaced Neutron log of said well which is located 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico." 5. The horizontal limits of this Unit Area is comprised of the following described

lands in Lea County, New Mexico.

## TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, N.M.P.M.

Section 28: S/2 NW/4, N/2 SW/4, SW/4 SW/4 Sections 33 and 34: All

#### TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, N.M.P.M.

Section 3:	NE/4, N/2 NW/4, SE/4 NW/4, NE/4 SE/4
Section 4:	N/2 N/2
Section 5:	NE/4 NE/4

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covering 2000 acres, more or less, of state lands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXECUTED THIS

DAY OF AUGUST, 1992.

# STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

# WILLIAM J. LEMAY DIRECTOR

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF SANTA FE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 1992, by William J. LeMay, Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, on behalf of said Division.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



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May 7, 1992

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CAMBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE: CASE NO. 3344 ORDER NO. R-3007-A

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

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Florene Davidson OC Staff Specialist

FD/sl

cc: BLM Carlsbad Office

#### BEFORE THE

#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TEXACO EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION INC., FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-3007, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 3344

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

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

WILLIAM F. CARR, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Texaco Exploration & Production 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 at the correct addresses provided by such rule.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 24 day of April, 1992.

My Commission Expires: August 19,1995

#### EXHIBIT A

Anne Todd Barfield 10639 Sandpiper Dallas, Texas 79702

Clifford Cone Post Office Drawer 1629 Lovington, NM 88260

Joel H. Davis 1015 Ten Mile Road Everson, Washington 98247

Kenneth G. Cone Post Office Box 11310 Midland, Texas 79702

John A. Davis 2270 Santiago Rd. Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Janet Anne Lupia 247 Southwest Parkway, #312 Lewisville, TX 75067

Georgia Lorraine Temple Post Office Box 11392 Midland, Texas 79702

New Mexico State Land Office State Land Office Building Post Office Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 Attn: Floyd Prando

Tommy T. Todd 7912 Purdue Dallas, Texas 75225

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April 1, 1992

#### <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Tommy T. Todd 7912 Purdue Dallas, Texas 75225 Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Todd:

This letter is to advise you that Texaco Inc. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007 which approved the West Vacuum Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. The amendment corrects the definition of "unitized formation" to include the entire producing interval in the unit area.

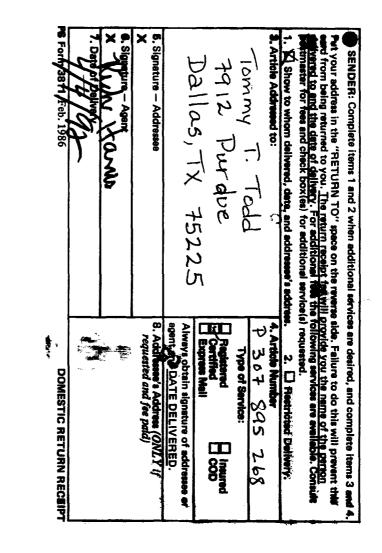
This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on May 14, 1992. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an interest owner in the unit area, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time or otherwise become a party of record will preclude you from challenging this application 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.

Very truly yours,

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WILLIAM<sup>I</sup> F. CARR ATTORNEY FOR TEXACO INC. WFC:mlh Enclosure



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March 11, 1992

#### <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Anne Todd Barfield 10639 Sandpiper Dallas, Texas 75230

Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, Lea Courty, New Mexico

Dear Ms Barfield:

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# CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Clifford Cone Post Office Drawer 1629 Lovington, NM 88260

Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, Lea County, New Mexico

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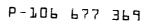
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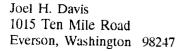
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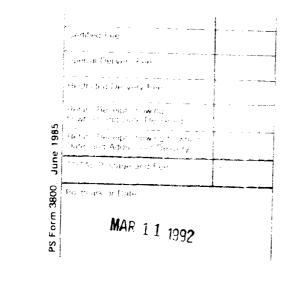
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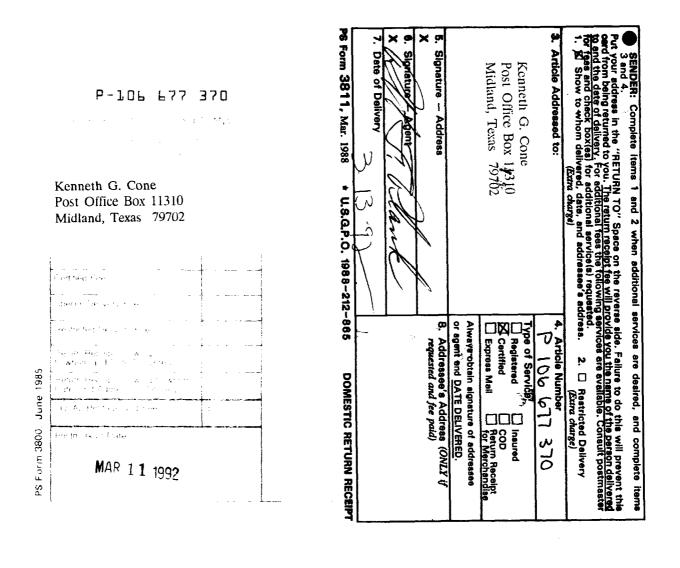
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Janet Anne Lupia 247 Southwest Parkway, #312 Lewisville, TX 75067

Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, Lea County, New Mexico

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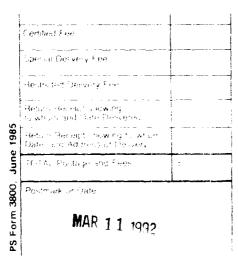
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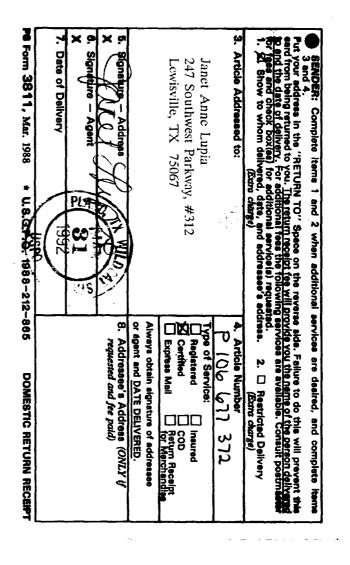
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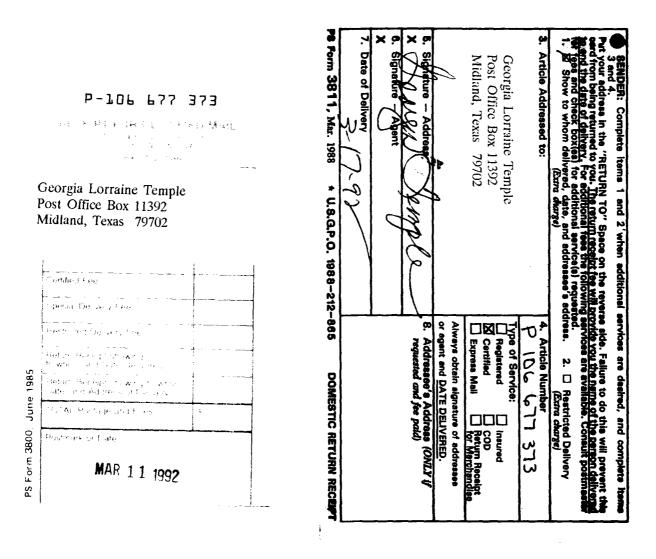
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April 6, 1992

Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P. A. P. O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208

Attn: Mr. William F. Carr

Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, West Vacuum Unit, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Carr:

This office is in receipt of your certified letter of March 11, 1992, advising this office that Texaco, Inc. has filed an application with the NMOCD to amend the unitized formation as approved in the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Since you will be expanding the originally approved unitized area, you must submit for our approval an application to expand the unit pursuant to Section 4 of the agreement. You will also need to amend Section 2 (j) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 4.2 of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, the effective date of any enlargement of the Unit Area shall be 7:00 a.m. on the first day of the calendar month following compliance with conditions for enlargement as specified by Working Interest Owners, approval by the Commissioner and the Commission, and the filing for record of revised Exhibits "A" and "B" in the records of Lea County, NM.

Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement. If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 3344

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TEXACO EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, INC., FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION **ORDER NO. R-3007,** LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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#### **PRE-HEARING STATEMENT**

This Pre-Hearing Statement is submitted by William F. Carr, as required by the Oil Conservation Division.

#### **APPEARANCES OF PARTIES**

#### APPLICANT

Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc. c/o Nanette J. Crawford Post Office Box 2100.\_\_\_\_\_ Denver, Colorado 80201\_\_\_\_\_ (303) 793-4317\_\_\_\_\_

#### OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY

ATTORNEY

William F. Carr\_\_\_\_\_ Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A. Post Office Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504\_\_\_\_ (505) 988-4421\_\_\_\_\_

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Pre-hearing Statement NMOCD Case No. 3344 Page 2

#### STATEMENT OF CASE

#### <u>APPLICANT</u>

Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc., applicant in the above-styled cause, seeks to amend Division Order No. R-3007, dated December 3, 1965, which authorized its West Vacuum Unit Agreement covering 2000 acres, more or less, of state lands in portions of Townships 17 and 18 South, Range 34 East. Applicant at this time seeks to revise the definition of the "Unitized Formation" as originally incorporated in said agreement.

#### **OPPOSITION OR OTHER PARTY**

(Please make a concise statement of the basis for opposing this application or otherwise state the position of the party filing this statement.)

**Pre-hearing Statement** NMOCD Case No. 3344 Page 3

# **PROPOSED EVIDENCE**

# **APPLICANT**

WITNESSES (Name and expertise)	EST. TIME	EXHIBITS
Ronald W. Lanning, Landman	10 Min.	Approximately 4
Julie Gibbs, Geologist	10 Min.	Approximately 4

**OPPOSITION** 

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# ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Texaco Exploration & Production Inc. P.O. Drawer 2100 Denver, CO 80201

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Attn: Mr. Ronald W. Lanning West Region Landman

Re: West Vacuum Unit

Gentlemen:

Your November 27th letter requesting my opinion as to the course of action you should follow in order to obtain approval of your proposed amendment to the unitized interval for the West Vacuum Unit has been received.

In reference to the 23 wells which were contributed to the unit and were completed outside the defined unitized formations, it is assumed these were grandfathered in at that time since the order did not require that any of these wells be squeezed.

Our geologist feels your proposed unitized interval 4007--4774 feet in the Texaco Exploration & Production Inc. West Vacuum Unit #13 would be some 200--300 feet into the Queen. If this is the case, the only option available would be through a hearing.

Since this type decision is outside our jurisdiction, we are referring this to our Santa Fe office. If you have further questions concerning this please contact David Catanach or Michael E. Stogner in our Santa Fe office (505) 827-5807 or (505) 827-5811.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Jerry Sexton Supervisor, District I

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cc: (David Catanach) Michael E. Stogner

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November 27, 1991

230410 - West Vacuum Unit (TPI) Lea County, New Mexico

Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Attention: Mr. Jerry Sexton

Gentlemen:

Texaco is desirous of amending the definition of the unitized formation for this unit. A copy of the amendment is enclosed for your information. When the unit went into effect, 23 of the wells contributed were completed outside of the unitized formation as defined in the Unit Agreement. The reason for this is due in part to the difficulty in correlating the San Andres formation between logs. We feel a corrected definition will better serve as a basis for guiding future operation of the unit to obtain maximum recovery.

There are 68 working interest owners in this unit. To date we have received executed amendments from 58 owners with a cumulative working interest of 98.815059%.

The State of New Mexico owns all of the mineral interest under the unit. There are three overriding royalty interest owners who have not been contacted.

Please advise as to your opinion on the course of action we should follow for approval of this amendment. If you have any questions please call me at (303) 793-4244.

Very truly yours,

TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION INC.

Ronald W. Lanning West Region Landman

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Enclosure

## AMENDMENT TO THE UNIT AGREEMENT FOR THE WEST VACUUM UNIT AREA COUNTY OF LEA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of the first day of March, 1991, by and between the parties subscribing, ratifying, or consenting hereto, and herein referred to as the "parties hereto,"

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are the owners of working, royalty, or other oil and gas interests in the Unit Area subject to this agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area is dated October 1, 1964, and is recorded at Volume 250, Page 234 of the Miscellaneous Records of Lea County, New Mexico, and became effective January 1, 1966; and

WHEREAS, the Unit Agreement defines the unitized formation as follows:

"Unitized Formation" means that subsurface portion of the Unit Area including portions of the Grayburg-San Andres formations which occur between the logged depths, measured from the kelly bushing, of 4213 feet and 4750 feet in the Texaco Inc. State of New Mexico "V" Well No. 8 as shown on the Schlumberger Gamma-Neutron log of said well which is located 660 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the west line of Section 34, Township-17-South, Range-34-East, Lea County, New Mexico.

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the parties hereto to change the definition of the unitized formation to more accurately reflect the unitized interval and serve as a basis for guiding future operation of the unit to obtain maximum recovery.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the promises contained herein, the parties hereto amend the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area by changing the definition of the unitized formation to read as follows:

> "Unitized Formation" means that subsurface portion of the unit area including portions of the Grayburg-San Andres formations which occur between the logged depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4004 feet and 4774 feet in the Texaco

Exploration and Production Inc. West Vaccum Unit Well No. 13 as shown on the Halliburton Gamma Ray - Dual Spaced Neutron log of said well which is located 330 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the east line of Section 34, Township-17-South, Range-34-East, Lea County, New Mexico.

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A person may become a party to this agreement by signing the original of this instrument, a counterpart thereof, or other instrument agreeing to be bound by the provisions hereof. The signing of any such instrument shall have the same effect as if all the parties hereto had signed the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed as of the date first above written.

TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION INC.

R. R. O'Dwyer

R. R. O'Dwyer Attorney-in-Fact

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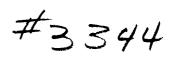
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  $22^{4}$  day of 1991, by R. R. O'Dwyer, Attorney-in-Fact of Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., a Delaware corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

Notary Public in and for the State of Colorado

Charlie Will 2844 S. Vaughn Way Aurora, Colorado 80014 My Commission expires October 25, 1993



State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands



W. R. Humohries COMMISSIONER April 27, 1990

#### **Advisory Board**

George Clark Chairman Texaco USA Kristin Connitf P.O. Box 3109 Vice Chairman Midland, Texas 79702 Melvin Cordova Joe Keilv ATTN: S.G. Snyder Robert Portillos Nancy Lynch Vigil RE: West Vacuum Unit **Rex Wilson** 

1990 Plan of Development

#### Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the 1990 Plan of Development for the West Vacuum Unit. Our approval is subject to like approval by all other appropriate agencies.

The possibility of drainage by wells outside of the Unit Area and the need for further development of the Unit may exist. You will be contacted at a later date regarding these possibilities.

Enclosed is an approved copy of the 1990 Plan of Development for your files. If we may be of further help, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (505) 827-5746.

Very truly yours,

W.R. HUMPHRIES, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

- Comple Mann BY: FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil and Gas Division (505) 827-5746

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Commissioner of Public Lands State of New Mexico Oil and Gas Division P. O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148

# RE: WEST VACUUM UNIT PLANS OF DEVELOPMENT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Gentlemen:

Texaco, as Operator the West Vacuum Unit, respectfully submits for your approval a report of past operations and a plan of operation and development for 1990.

### PAST OPERATIONS

Vacuum Field was discovered in May, 1929 when Vacuum Oil (Mobil Oil Company) completed the New Mexico "Bridges" State Well No. 1 for 119 BOPD. This well was shut-in until pipeline facilities became available in 1937.

Thirty-seven wells in the West Vacuum Unit area were drilled on 40acre spacing during initial field development from 1937 to 1950. In 1975-1976 three 20-acre infill wells, WVU Nos. 51, 52, and 53, were drilled to evaluate infill drilling potential of the unit. Based on the performance of these wells, there has been no additional infill drilling.

The unitization agreement for the West Vacuum Unit became effective on October 1, 1966, and water injection began October 1, 1967.

Cumulative oil production for the West Vacuum Unit prior to unitization was 8,104,806 barrels. From the inception of unitization through January 1, 1990, the Unit has produced 3,932,249 BO and 18,229,477 BW have been injected.

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Commissioner of								
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There are currently 26 active producing wells and 20 injection wells in the West Vacuum Unit. Average production for December, 1989 was 281 BOPD, 76 MCFPD, and 2,253 BWPD. The average injection rate was 2,506 BWPD with a maximum injection pressure of 1151 psi.

#### 1989 UNIT ACTIVITIES:

In 1989, three producing wells (WVU Nos. 10, 17, 26) in the West Vacuum Unit were shut-in and are uneconomical to repair at this time. Additional activity included workovers on WVU Nos. 37 and 13.

# DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR 1990:

Texaco has no plans for development drilling in the West Vacuum Unit in 1990. Operations within the unit for 1990 will include continuous monitoring and optimization of unit production through the use of injection surveys, stimulations, and cleanouts. Equipment modifications, well workovers, and plugging will be performed as necessary.

Yours very truly,

Texaco Inc.

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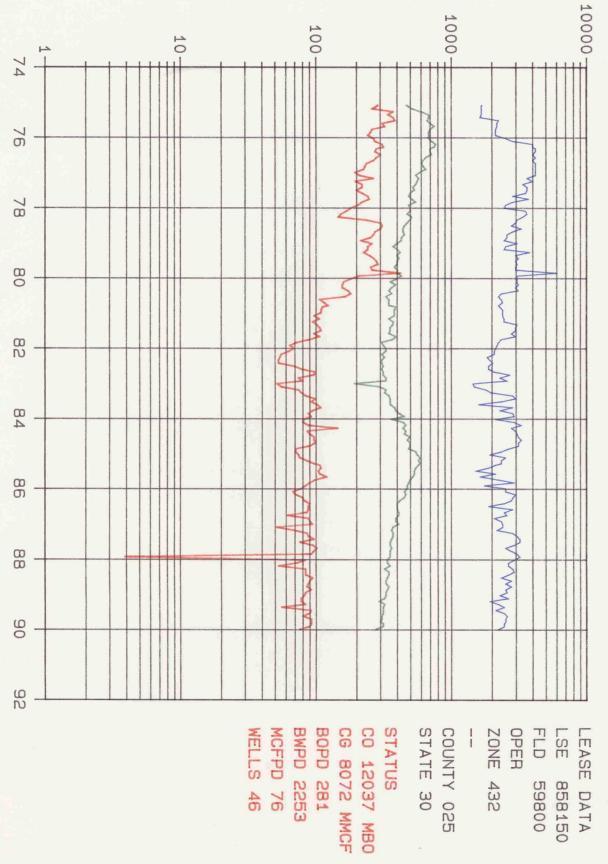
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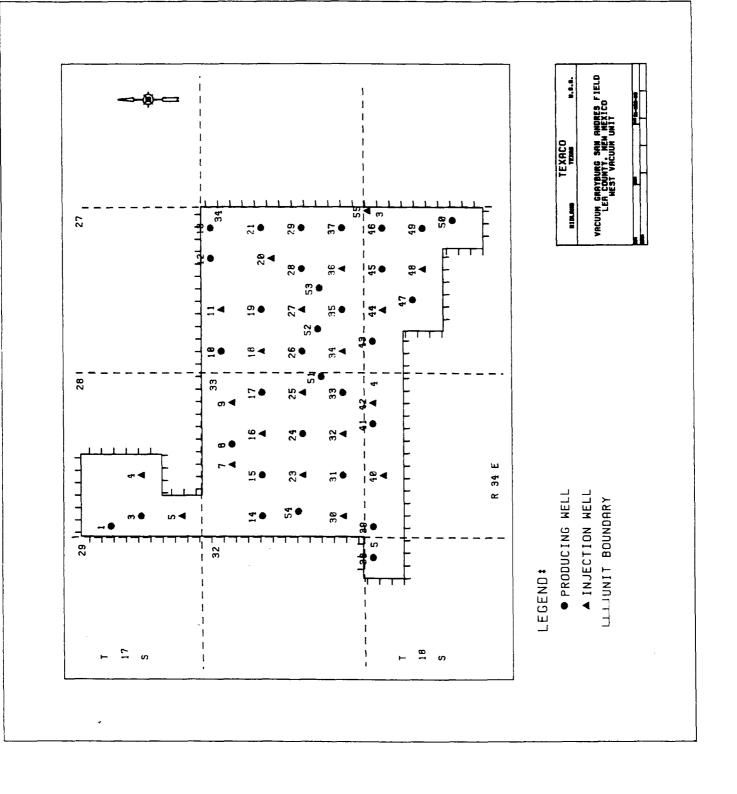
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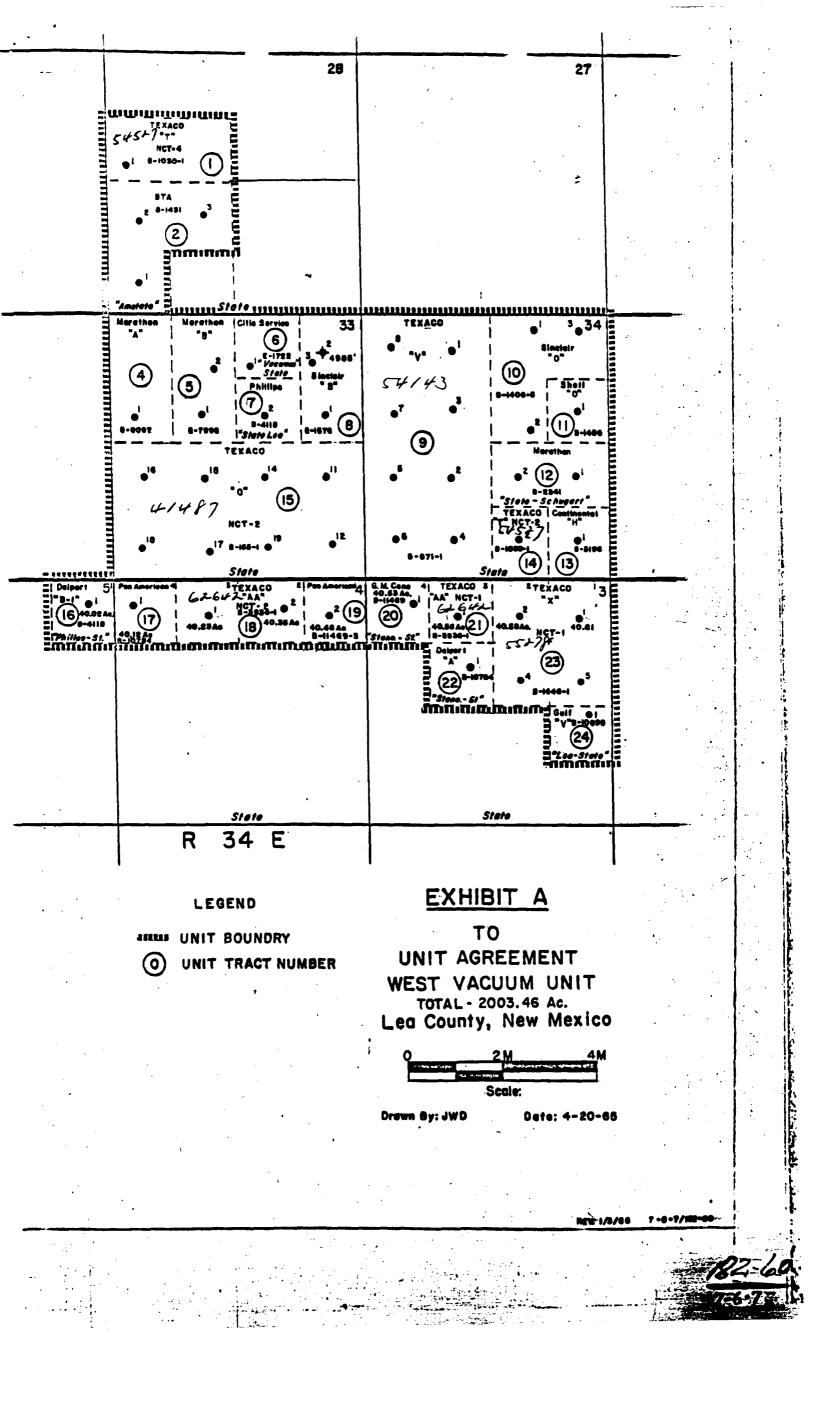
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P.O.BOX 2088 SANTA FE

December 3, 1965

Mr. Charles White White, Gilbert, Koch & Kelly Attorneys at Law Post Office Box 787 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Case No. 3344 Order No. R-3007 Applicant:

TEXACO INC.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

he L. Parter, J.

A. L. PORTER, Jr. Secretary-Director

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Carbon copy of order also sent to:

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DOMESTIC PRODUCING DEPARTMENT MIDLAND DIVISION

February 3, 1966

UNIT AGREEMENT WEST VACUUM UNIT LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

New Mexico Cil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. A. L. Potter, Jr.

Gentlemen:

As required under Order No. R-3007, Texaco Inc. has attached hereto an executed copy of the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

The unit was effective at 12:01 AM, January 1, 1966. Please advise if any additional information is required.

Yours very truly,

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TEXACO INC.

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P. O. BOX 3109 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79704

DOMESTIC PRODUCING DEPARTMENT MIDLAND DIVISION

October 25, 1965

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Gentlemen:

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(3) The area sought to be designated as the West Vacuum Unit comprises 2000 acres, more-or-less, situated in Lea County, New Mexico, which is more particularly described as follows:

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Texaco Inc.	State "O" (NCT-2)	11	I33-17-34
Texaco Inc.	State "V"	1	C34-17-34
Texaco Inc.	State "V"	2	K34-17-34

Attached is a plat of the West Vacuum Unit with the boundary of the unit shown by a hatched line. The proposed injection wells are shown by red triangles. It is respectfully requested that the subject application be set on the hearing docket scheduled for November 23, 1965.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Whigham

Division Proration Engineer

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cc: State Engineer P. 0. Box 1079 Santa Fe, New Mexico

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# DESCRIPTION OF WATER SOURCE

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TEXACO has appropriated water rights under 606.9 acres of Section 50, Township 17-South, Range 35-East, except five acres. This appropriation is for a combined total of 2100 acre feet per annum (44,633 BPD) of the shallow ground water of the Lea County Underground Water Basin by drilling four wells, each approximately 200 feet in depth and 13-3/8 incluses in diameter, to be located as follows:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{c}}$ .
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L-4247-X-3	NW/4 SW/4	30	17-S	35 <b>-</b> E

said wells to be used for the secondary recovery of oil by waterflooding approximately 4240 acres in the Proposed West Vacuum Unit.

Under Permit No. L-4247X2 a water source well was drilled in the SW/4 SW/4 SW/4 of Section 30, Township 17-South, Range 35-East. Abbott Brothers, Hobbs, New Mexico, was the Drilling Contractor. Water-bearing strata were encountered from 83 to 115 feet and from 135 to 190 feet. Total depth is the feet and 11-3/4", 32# spiral welded casing with perforation from 100 to 200 feet was set at total depth. This well was completed August 28, 1963.

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# SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that TEXACO Inc. as Unit Operator of the West Vacuum Unit be permitted to operate a waterflood in the Vacuum (Grayburg-San Andres) Pool.

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These wells are denoted on the attached plat of the western portion of the Vacuum Field.

Fresh water from the Ogallala formation will be injected in the average open hole interval from 4165 feet to 4708 feet.

Attached is a radioactivity log plus a diagrammatic sketch of a typical injection well completion.



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October 25, 1965

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cc: State Engineer P. O. Box 1079 Santa Fe, New Mexico

# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION?

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

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CASE NO. 3344 (Reopened) Order No. R-3007-A

APPLICATION OF TEXACO INC. FOR AMENDMENT OF DIVISION ORDER NO. R-3007, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

### BY THE DIVISION:

and This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 2 🖋 30, 1992, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner David R. Catanach.

NOW, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1992, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

# FINDS THAT:

(1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) By Order No. R-3007 issued in Case No. 3344 on December 3, 1965, the Division, upon application of Texaco Inc., approved the West Vacuum Unit Agreement comprising some 2,000 acres, more or less of State lands in portions of Townships 17 and 18 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, for the purpose of initiating and conducting secondary recovery operations.

(3) The applicant, Texaco Inc., seeks to amend the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and thereby Order No. R-3007, by revising the definition of the "Unitized Formation" as originally incorporated in said agreement.

<sup>-</sup> (4) According to evidence presented, the original "Unitized Formation" comprised portions of the Grayburg-San Andres formation which occur between the log depths, measured from the kelly bushing, of 4,213 feet and 4,750 feet in the Texaco Inc. State "V" Well No. 8 located 660 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Schlumberger Gamma-Neutron Log run on said well.

(5) The applicant now proposes that the "Unitized Formation" comprise portions of the Queen, Grayburg and San Andres formations which occur between the log depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4,004 feet and 4,774 feet in the Texaco Inc. West Vacuum Unit Well No. 13 located 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Gamma Ray-Neutron Log run on said well.

(6) According to applicant's evidence and testimony, the "Unitized Formation" was originally intended to include the entire interval as described in Finding No. (5) above; however, due to the difficulty in correlating the San Andres formation between logs and due to the thickening of the reservoir in the unit area, such intent was not originally implemented.

(7) According to further evidence, the revenue from production from the unit area has historically been distributed among the various interest owners as if the "Unitized Formation" comprised the entire interval as now proposed by the applicant.

(8) As of the date of the hearing, approximately 99.8% of the working interest owners in the West Vacuum Unit have approved the applicant's proposed expansion of the "Unitized Formation".

(9) No interest owner appeared at the hearing in opposition to the application.

(10) Approval of the proposed amendment will allow the applicant the opportunity to recover hydrocarbons which may otherwise not be recovered, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

(11) Pursuant to Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, the applicant is in the process of obtaining approval for the proposed amendment from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(12) Approval of the proposed expansion should become effective as per the terms of Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and upon approval of such expansion from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(13) The applicant should be required to file with the Division copies of the "Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area" executed by the various working interest owners in said unit.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The application of Texaco Inc. for an amendment to the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, originally approved by Division Order No. R-3007, to provide for expansion of the "Unitized Interval" is hereby granted.

(2) The "Unitized Interval" shall hereinafter comprise portions of the Queen, Grayburg and San Andres formations which occur between the log depths, measured from the derrick floor, of 4,004 feet and 4,774 feet in the Texaco Inc. West Vacuum Unit Well No. 13 located 330 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 34, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, as shown on the Gamma Ray-Neutron Log run on said well.

(3) The expansion of the "Unitized Interval" shall become effective as per the terms of Part (4) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement and upon approval of such expansion from the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico.

(4) The applicant shall file with the Santa Fe Office of the Division copies of the "Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the West Vacuum Unit Area" executed by the various working interest owners in said unit.

(5) Jurisdiction is hereby retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMAY Director

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State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE

# Commissioner of Public Lands

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER

Santa Fe

P.O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

April 6, 1992

Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P. A. P. O. Box 2208 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208

Attn: Mr. William F. Carr

Re: Application of Texaco Inc. for Amendment of Division Order No. R-3007, West Vacuum Unit, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Carr:

This office is in receipt of your certified letter of March 11, 1992, advising this office that Texaco, Inc. has filed an application with the NMOCD to amend the unitized formation as approved in the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Since you will be expanding the originally approved unitized area, you must submit for our approval an application to expand the unit pursuant to Section 4 of the agreement. You will also need to amend Section 2 (j) of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 4.2 of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement, the effective date of any enlargement of the Unit Area shall be 7:00 a.m. on the first day of the calendar month following compliance with conditions for enlargement as specified by Working Interest Owners, approval by the Commissioner and the Commission, and the filing for record of revised Exhibits "A" and "B" in the records of Lea County, NM.

Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of the West Vacuum Unit Agreement. If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil/Gas and Minerals Division (505) 827-5744 JB/FOP/pm encls. cc: Reader File OCD