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Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Dunes Unit Agreement
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

Attached herewith on behalf of American Quasar Petroleum Co. of New Mexico is an original copy of the Dunes Unit Agreement, together with USGS Certification that the Unit became effective as of November 6, 1973.

In the event all is not in order, please advise.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: American Quasar Petroleum Co. of New Mexico



### United States Department of the Interior

#### GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

November 6, 1973

J. T. Dickerson Attorney-at-Law 1209 Western United Life Building Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Three approved copies of the Dunes unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico, with American Quasar Petroleum Company of New Mexico as operator, are enclosed. Such agreement has been assigned No. 14-08-0001-13806 and is effective November 6, 1973, the same date as approved.

You are requested to furnish the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and all other interested principals with appropriate evidence of this approval.

Sincerely yours,

CARL C. TRAYWICK

Acting Area Oil & Gas Supervisor

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#### CERTIFICATION -- DETERMINATION

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Interior, under the act approved February 25, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, as amended, 30 U. S. C. secs. 181, et seq., and delegated to the Oil and Gas Supervisors of the Geological Survey (33 F. R. 5812), I do hereby:

- A. Approve the attached agreement for the development and operation of the Dunes Unit Area, State of New Mexico, Eddy County.
- B. Certify and determine that the unit plan of development and operation contemplated in the attached agreement is necessary and advisable in the public interest for the purpose of more properly conserving the natural resources.
- C. Certify and determine that the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty requirements of all Federal leases committed to said agreement are hereby established, altered, changed, or revoked to conform with the terms and conditions of this agreement.

Dated	NOV	6	1973				

Oil and Gas Supervisor United States Geological Survey

Contract Number 14-08-0001-13806

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U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

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1	UNIT AGREEMENT	1
2	FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION	2
3	OF THE	3
4	DUNES UNIT AREA	4
5	COUNTY OF EDDY NOV 6 1	5
6	STATE OF NEW MEXICO  U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY	<b>∌</b> 6
7	NO ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO	7
8	THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the 15th day of	8
9	August 1973, by and between the parties subscribing, ratifying,	9
10	or consenting hereto, and herein referred to as the "parties hereto,"	10
11	WITTNESSETH:	11
12	WHEREAS the parties hereto are the owners of working, royalty, or	12
13	other oil and gas interests in the unit area subject to this agreement, and	13
14	WHEREAS the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, 41 Stat.	14
15	437, as amended, 30 U.S.C. Secs. 181 et seq., authorizes Federal lessees	15
16	and their representatives to unite with each other, or jointly or separately	16
17	with others, in collectively adopting and operating a cooperative or unit plan	17
18	of development or operation of any oil or gas pool, field, or like area, or	18
19	any part thereof for the purpose of more properly conserving the natural	19
20	resources thereof whenever determined and certified by the Secretary of the	20
21	Interior to be necessary or advisable in the public interest; and	21
22	WHEREAS the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico	22
23	is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Chapter 72, Laws of 1935, as	23
24	amended by Chapter 193, Laws of 1937, Chapter 166, Laws of 1941 and	24
25	Chapter 168, Laws of 1949) to approve this agreement and the conservation	25
26	provisions hereof; and,	26
27	WHEREAS, the parties hereto hold sufficient interests in the	27
28	Dunes Unit Area covering the land hereinafter described to give	28
29	reasonably effective control of operations therein; and	29
30	WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the parties hereto to conserve natural	30
31	resources, prevent waste, and secure other benefits obtainable through dev-	31
32	elopment and operation of the area subject to this agreement under the terms,	32
33	conditions, and limitations herein set forth;	33
34	NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the promises he	ere-34

in contained, the parties hereto commit to this agreement their respective interests

in the below-defined unit area, and agree severally among themselves as follows:

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- 1. ENABLING ACT AND REGULATIONS. The Mineral Leasing Act of
  February 25, 1920, as amended, supra, and all valid pertinent regulations,
  including operating and unit plan regulations, heretofore issued thereunder or
  valid, pertinent, and reasonable regulations hereafter issued thereunder are
  accepted and made a part of this agreement as to Federal lands, provided such
  regulations are not inconsistent with the terms of this agreement; and as to
  non-Federal lands, the oil and gas operating regulations in effect as of the
  effective date hereof governing drilling and producing operations, not
  inconsistent with the terms hereof or the laws of the State in which the
  non-Federal land is located, are hereby accepted and made a part of this
  agreement.
- 2. UNIT AREA. The area specified on the map attached hereto marked exhibit A is hereby designated and recognized as constituting the unit area, containing 2575.89 acres, more or less.

Exhibit A shows, in addition to the boundary of the unit area, the boundaries and identity of tracts and leases in said area to the extent known to the Unit Operator. Exhibit B attached hereto is a schedule showing to the extent known to the Unit Operator the acreage, percentage, and kind of ownership of oil and gas interests in all land in the unit area. However, nothing herein or in said schedule or map shall be construed as a representation by any party hereto as to the ownership of any interest other than such interest or interests as are shown in said map or schedule as owned by such party. Exhibits A and B shall be revised by the Unit Operator whenever changes in the unit area render such revision necessary, or when requested by the Oil and Gas Supervisor, hereinafter referred to as "Supervisor" and not less than five copies of the revised exhibits shall be filed with the Supervisor, and

•	one copy of the revised exhibits shall be filed with the New Mexico	•
2	Oil Conservation Commission, hereinafter refered to as State Commission.	2
3	The above-described unit area shall when practicable be expanded to	3
4	include therein any additional lands or shall be contracted to exclude lands	4
5	whenever such expansion or contraction is deemed to be necessary or advisable	5
6	to conform with the purposes of this agreement. Such expansion or contraction	6
7	shall be effected in the following manner:	7
8	(a) Unit Operator, on its own motion or on demand of the Director of	8
9	the Geological Survey, hereinafter referred to as "Director," after preliminary	9
10	concurrence by the Director, shall prepare a notice of proposed expansion	10
11	or contraction describing the contemplated changes in the boundaries of the	11
12	unit area, the reasons therefor, and the proposed effective date thereof,	12
13	preferably the first day of a month subsequent to the date of notice.  and State Commission	13
14	(b) Said notice shall be delivered to the Supervisor, and copies thereof	14
15	mailed to the last known address of each working interest owner, lessee, and	15
16	lessor whose interests are affected, advising that 30 days will be allowed	16
17	for submission to the Unit Operator of any objections.	17
18	(c) Upon expiration of the 30-day period provided in the preceding and State Commission	18
19	item (b) hereof, Unit Operator shall file with the Supervisor/ evidence of	19
20	mailing of the notice of expansion or contraction and a copy of any objections	20
21	thereto which have been filed with the Unit Operator, together with an appli-	21
22	cation in sufficient number, for approval of such expansion or contraction and	22
23	with appropriate joinders.	23
24	(d) After due consideration of all pertinent information, the expansion	24
25	or contraction shall, upon approval by the Supervisor, become effective as of	25
26	the date prescribed in the notice thereof.	26
27	(e) All legal subdivisions of lands (i.e., 40 acres by	27
28	Government survey or its nearest lot or tract equivalent; in instances of	28
29	irregular surveys unusually large lots or tracts shall be considered in	29
30	multiples of 40 acres or the nearest aliquot equivalent thereof), no parts	30
31	of which are entitled to be in a participating area on or before the fifth	31
32	anniversary of the effective date of the first initial participating area	32

1	established under this unit agreement, shall be eliminated automatically	1
2	from this agreement, effective as of said fifth anniversary, and such	2
3	lands shall no longer be a part of the unit area and shall no longer	3
4	be subject to this agreement, unless diligent drilling operations are	4
5	in progress on unitized lands not entitled to participation on said	5
6	fifth anniversary, in which event all such lands shall remain subject	6
7	hereto for so long as such drilling operations are continued diligently,	7
8	with not more than 90 days' time elapsing between the completion of	8
9	one such well and the commencement of the next such well. All legal	9
10	subdivisions of lands not entitled to be in a participating area	10
11	within 10 years after the effective date of the first initial partici-	11
12	pating area approved under this agreement shall be automatically	12
13	eliminated from this agreement as of said tenth anniversary. All	13
14	lands proved productive by diligent drilling operations after the	14
15	aforesaid 5-year period shall become participating in the same	15
16	manner as during said 5-year period. However, when such diligent	16
17	drilling operations cease, all nonparticipating lands shall be auto-	17
18	matically eliminated effective as of the 91st day thereafter. The	18
19	unit operator shall within 90 days after the effective date of any	19
20	elimination hereunder, describe the area so eliminated to the satis-	20
21	faction of the Supervisor and promptly notify all parties in interest.	21
22	If conditions warrant extension of the 10-year period specified	22
23	in this subsection 2(e), a single extension of not to exceed 2 years	23
24	may be accomplished by consent of the owners of 90% of the working	24
25	interests in the current nonparticipating unitized lands and the	25
26	owners of 60% of the basic royalty interests (exclusive of the basic	26
27	royalty interests of the United States) in nonparticipating unitized	27
28	lands with approval of the Director, provided such extension appai-	28
29	cation is submitted to the Director not later than 60 days prior to the	29
30	expiration of said 10-year period.	30

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- 3. UNITIZED LAND AND UNITIZED SUBSTANCES. All land committed to this agreement shall constitute land referred to herein as "unitized land" or "land subject to this agreement." All oil and gas in any and all formations of the unitized land are unitized under the terms of this agreement and herein are called "unitized substances."
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  4. UNIT OPERATOR. American Quasar Petroleum Co. of/ is hereby
  designated as Unit Operator and by signature hereto as Unit Operator agrees
  and consents to accept the duties and obligations of Unit Operator for the
  discovery, development, and production of unitized substances as herein
  provided. Whenever reference is made herein to the Unit Operator, such
  reference means the Unit Operator acting in that capacity and not as an owner
  of interest in unitized substances, and the term "working interest owner" when
  used herein shall include or refer to Unit Operator as the owner of a working
  interest when such an interest is owned by it.
- 5. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL OF UNIT OPERATOR. Unit Operator shall have the right to resign at any time prior to the establishment of a participating area or areas hereunder, but such resignation shall not become effective so as to release Unit Operator from the duties and obligations of Unit Operator and terminate Unit Operator's rights as such for a period of 6 months after notice of intention to resign has been served by Unit Operator on all working interest owners and the Supervisor, and until all wells then drilled hereunder are placed in a satisfactory condition for suspension or abandonment whichever is required by the Supervisor, unless a new Unit Operator shall have been selected and approved and shall have taken over and assumed the duties and obligations of Unit Operator prior to the expiration of said period.

Unit Operator shall have the right to resign in like manner and subject to like limitations as above provided at any time a participating area established hereunder is in existence, but, in all instances of resignation or removal, until a successor unit operator is selected and approved as hereinafter

^	provided, the working interest owners shall be jointly responsible for	1
2	perfermance of the duties of unit operator, and shall not later than 30 days	2
3	before such resignation or removal becomes effective appoint a common agent	3
4	to represent them in any action to be taken hereunder.	4
5	The resignation of Unit Operator shall not release Unit Operator from	5
6	any liability for any default by it hereunder occurring prior to the effec-	6
7	tive date of its resignation.	7
8	The Unit Operator may, upon default or failure in the performance of	8
9	its duties or obligations hereunder, be subject to removal by the same per-	9
10	centage vote of the owners of working interests as herein provided for	10
11	the selection of a new Unit Operator. Such removal shall be effective	11
12	upon notice thereof to the Supervisor.	12
13	The resignation or removal of Unit Operator under this agreement	13
14	shall not terminate its right, title, or interest as the owner of a	14
15	working interest or other interest in unitized substances, but upon the	15
16	resignation or removal of Unit Operator becoming effective, such Unit	16
17	Operator shall deliver possession of all wells, equipment, materials, and	17
18	appurtenances used in conducting the unit operations to the new duly	18
19	qualified successor Unit Operator or to the common agent, if no such	19
20	new Unit Operator is elected, to be used for the purpose of conducting	20
21	unit operations hereunder. Nothing herein shall be construed as author-	21
22	izing removal of any material, equipment and appurtenances needed for the	22
23	preservation of any wells.	23
24	6. SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR. Whenever the Unit Operator shall tender his	24
25	or its resignation as Unit Operator or shall be removed as hereinabove	25
26	provided, or a change of Unit Operator is negotiated by working interest	26
27	owners, the owners of the working interests in the participating area or	27
28	areas according to their respective acreage interests in such participating	28
29	area or areas, or, until a participating area shall have been established, the	29
30	owners of the working interests according to their respective acreage	30
31	interests in all unitized land, shall by majority vote select a successor Unit	31
32	Operator: Provided, That, if a majority but less than 75 per cent of the	32
33	working interests qualified to vote are owned by one party to this agreement,	33
34	a concurring vote of one or more additional working interest owners shall be	34

- (a) a Unit Operator so selected shall accept in writing the duties and responsibilities of Unit Operator, and
  - (b) the selection shall have been approved by the Supervisor.

If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Director at his election may declare this unit agreement terminated.

- 7. ACCOUNTING PROVISIONS AND UNIT OPERATING AGREEMENT. If the Unit Operator is not the sole owner of working interests, costs and expenses incurred by Unit Operator in conducting unit operations hereunder shall be paid and apportioned among and borne by the owners of working interests, all in accordance with the agreement or agreements entered into by and between the Unit Operator and the owners of working interests, whether one or more, separately or collectively. Any agreement or agreements entered into between the working interest owners and the Unit Operator as provided in this section, whether one or more, are herein referred to as the "unit operating agreement." Such unit operating agreement shall also provide the manner in which the working interest owners shall be entitled to receive their respective proportionate and allocated share of the benefits accruing hereto in conformity with their underlying operating agreements, leases, or other independent contracts, and such other rights and obligations as between Unit Operator and the working interest owners as may be agreed upon by Unit Operator and the working interest owners; however, no such unit operating agreement shall be deemed either to modify any of the terms and conditions of this unit agreement or to relieve the Unit Operator of any right or obligation established under this unit agreement, and in case of any inconsistency or conflict between this unit agreement and the unit operating agreement, this unit agreement shall govern. Three true copies of any unit operating agreement executed pursuant to this section should be filed with the Supervisor, prior to approval of this unit agreement.
- 8. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF UNIT OPERATOR. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the exclusive right, privilege, and duty of

4 🌦	exercising any and all rights of the parties hereto which are necessary of	-
2	convenient for prospecting for, producing, storing, allocating, and dis-	2
3	tributing the unitized substances are hereby delegated to and shall be	3
4	excreised by the Unit Operator as herein provided. Acceptable evidence of	4
5	title to said rights shall be deposited with said Unit Operator and,	5
6	together with this agreement, shall constitute and define the rights,	6
7	privileges, and obligations of Unit Operator. Nothing herein, however,	7
8	shall be construed to transfer title to any land or to any lease or	8
9	operating agreement, it being understood that under this agreement the	9
10	Unit Operator, in its capacity as Unit Operator, shall exercise the rights	10
11	of possession and use vested in the parties hereto only for the purposes	11
12	herein specified.	12
13	9. DRILLING TO DISCOVERY. Within 6 months after the effective date	13
14	hereof, the Unit Operator shall begin to drill an adequate test well at a	14
15	location approved by the Supervisor, unless on such effective date a well is	15
16	being drilled conformably with the terms hereof, and thereafter continue	16
17	such drilling diligently until the <u>Atoka</u> formation has been tested	17
18	or until at a lesser depth unitized substances shall be discovered which can	18
19	be produced in paying quantities (to wit: quantities sufficient to repay the	19
20	costs of drilling, completing, and producing operations, with a reasonable	20
21	profit) or the Unit Operator shall at any time establish to the satisfaction	21
22	of the Supervisor that further drilling of said well would be unwarranted	22
23	or impracticable, provided, however, that Unit Operator shall not in any	23
24	event be required to drill said well to a depth in excess of $13,800$ feet.	24
25	Until the discovery of a deposit of unitized substances capable of being	?5
26	produced in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall continue drilling one	26
27	well at a time, allowing not more than 6 months between the completion of one	27
28	well and the beginning of the next well, until a well capable of producing	28
29	unitized substances in paying quantities is completed to the satisfaction of	29
30	said Supervisor or until it is reasonably proved that the unitized land is	30
31	incapable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in the	31
32	formations drilled hereunder. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit	32
33	the right of the Unit Operator to resign as provided in Section 5, hereof,	33

1	or as requiring Unit Operator to commence or continue any drilling during the	1
2	period pending such resignation becoming effective in order to comply with the	2
3	requirements of this section. The Supervisor may modify the drilling	3
4	requirements of this section by granting reasonable extensions of time when,	4
5	in his opinion, such action is warranted.	5
6	Upon failure to commence any well provided for in this section within	6
7	the time allowed, including any extension of time granted by the Supervisor,	7
8	this agreement will automatically terminate; upon failure to continue drilling	8
9	diligently any well commenced hereunder, the Supervisor may, after 15-days	9
10	notice to the Unit Operator, declare this unit agreement terminated.	10
11	10. PLAN OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION. Within 6 months after	11
12	completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying	12
13	quantities, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor	13
14	an acceptable plan of development and operation for the unitized land which,	14
15	when approved by the Supervisor, shall constitute the further drilling and	15
16	operating obligations of the Unit Operator under this agreement for the	16
17	period specified therein. Thereafter, from time to time before the expiration	17
18	of any existing plan, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the	18
19	Supervisor a plan for an additional specified period for the development and	19
20	operation of the unitized land.	20
21	Any plan submitted pursuant to this section shall provide for the	21
22	exploration of the unitized area and for the diligent drilling necessary for	22
23	determination of the area or areas thereof capable of producing unitized	23
24	substances in paying quantities in each and every productive formation and	24
25	shall be as complete and adequate as the Supervisor may determine to be	25
26	necessary for timely development and proper conservation of the oil and	26
27	gas resources of the unitized area and shall:	27
28	(a) specify the number and locations of any wells to be drilled	28
29	and the proposed order and time for such drilling; and	29
30	(b) to the extent practicable specify the operating practices	30
31	regarded as necessary and advisable for proper conservation of	31
32	natural resources.	32
33	Separate plans may be submitted for separate productive zones, subject to	33
34	the approval of the Supervisor.	34

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2	conditions or to protect the interests of all parties to this agreement.	2
3	Reasonable diligence shall be exercised in complying with the obligations	3
4	of the approved plan of development. The Supervisor is authorized to grant	4
5	a reasonable extension of the 6-month period herein prescribed for submission	5
6	of an initial plan of development where such action is justified because of	6
7	unusual conditions or circumstances. After completion hereunder of a well	7
8	capable of producing any unitized substance in paying quantities, no further	8
9	wells, except such as may be necessary to afford protection against operations	9
10	not under this agreement and such as may be specifically approved by the	10
11	Supervisor, shall be drilled except in accordance with a plan of development	11
12	approved as herein provided.	12
13	11. PARTICIPATION AFTER DISCOVERY. Upon completion of a well capable	13
14	of producing unitized substances in paying quantities or as soon thereafter as	14
15	required by the Supervisor, the Unit Operator shall submit for approval by	15
16	the Supervisor a schedule, based on subdivisions of the public-land survey or	16
17	aliquot parts thereof, of all land then regarded as reasonably proved to be	17
18	productive in paying quantities; all lands in said schedule on approval of	18
19	the Supervisor to constitute a participating area, effective as of the date of	19
20	completion of such well or the effective date of this unit agreement, which-	20
21	ever is later. The acreages of both Federal and non-Federal lands shall be	21
22	based upon appropriate computations from the courses and distances shown on	22
23	the last approved public-land survey as of the effective date of each initial	23
24	participating area. Said schedule shall also set forth the percentage of	24
25	unitized substances to be allocated as herein provided to each tract in the	25
26	participating area so established, and shall govern the allocation of pro-	26
27	duction commencing with the effective date of the participating area. A	27
28	separate participating area shall be established for each separate pool or	28
29	deposit of unitized substances or for any group thereof which is produced as	29
30	a single pool or zone, and any two or more participating areas so estab-	30
31	lished may be combined into one, on approval of the Supervisor. When	31
32	production from two or more participating areas, so established, is	32
33	subsequently found to be from a common pool or deposit said participating	33
34	areas shall be combined into one effective as of such appropriate date as	34
35	may be approved or prescribed by the Supervisor. The participating area	35
36	or areas so established shall be revised from time to time, subject	36
37	to like approval, to include additional land then regarded as	37

1	reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities or necessary for unit	1
2	operations, or to exclude land then regarded as reasonably proved not to be	2
3	productive in paying quantities and the schedule of allocation percentages	3
4	shall be revised accordingly. The effective date of any revision shall be	4
5	the first of the month in which is obtained the knowledge or information on	5
6	which such revision is predicated, provided, however, that a more appropriate	6
7	effective date may be used if justified by the Unit Operator and approved by	7
8	the Supervisor. No land shall be excluded from a participating area on account	8
9	of depletion of the unitized substances, except that any participating area	9
0	established under the provisions of this unit agreement shall terminate	10
1	automatically whenever all completions in the formation on which the partici-	11
2	pating area is based are abandoned.	12
3	It is the intent of this section that a participating area shall	13
14	represent the area known or reasonably estimated to be productive in paying	14
15	quantities; but, regardless of any revision of the participating area, nothing	15
16	herein contained shall be construed as requiring any retroactive adjustment	16
17	for production obtained prior to the effective date of the revision of the	17
18	participating area.	18
19	In the absence of agreement at any time between the Unit Operator and the	19
20	Supervisor as to the proper definition or redefinition of a participating area,	20
21	or until a participating area has, or areas have, been established as provided	21
22	herein, the portion of all payments affected thereby shall be impounded in a	22
23	manner mutually acceptable to the owners of working interests and the Super-	23
24	visor. Royalties due the United States shall be determined by the Supervisor	24
25	and the amount thereof shall be deposited, as directed by the Supervisor, to	25
26	be held as unearned money until a participating area is finally approved and	26
27	then applied as earned or returned in accordance with a determination of the	27
28	sum due as Federal royalty on the basis of such approved participating area.	28
29	Whenever it is determined, subject to the approval of the Supervisor,	29
30	that a well drilled under this agreement is not capable of production in	30
31	paying quantities and inclusion of the land on which it is situated in a	31
32	participating area is unwarranted, production from such well shall, for the	32
33	purposes of settlement among all parties other than working interest owners,	33
34	be allocated to the land on which the well is located unless such land is	34
35	already within the participating area established for the pool or deposit	35
36	from which such production is obtained. Settlement for working interest	36

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such a well shall be made as provided in the unit operating agreement.

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12. ALLOCATION OF PRODUCTION. All unitized substances produced from each participating area established under this agreement, except any part thereof used in conformity with good operating practices within the unitized area for drilling, operating, camp and other production or development purposes, for repressuring or recycling in accordance with a plan of development approved by the Supervisor, or unavoidably lost, shall be deemed to be produced equally on an acreage basis from the several tracts of unitized land of the participating area established for such production and, for the purpose of determining any benefits accruing under this agreement, each such tract of unitized land shall have allocated to it such percentage of said production as the number of acres of such tract included in said participating area bears to the total acres of unitized land in said participating area, except that allocation of production hereunder for purposes other than for settlement of the royalty, overriding royalty, or payment out of production obligations of the respective working interest owners, shall be on the basis prescribed in the unit operating agreement whether in conformity with the basis of allocation herein set forth or otherwise. It is hereby agreed that production of unitized substances from a participating area shall be allocated as provided herein regardless of whether any wells are drilled on any particular part or tract of said participating area. If any gas produced from one participating area is used for repressuring or recycling purposes in another participating area, the first gas withdrawn from such last-mentioned participating area for sale during the life of this agreement shall be considered to be the gas so transferred until an amount equal to that transferred shall be so produced for sale and such gas shall be allocated to the participating area from which initially produced as such area was last defined at the time of such final production.

13. DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION OF NON-PARTICIPATING LAND OR FORMATIONS.

Any party hereto owning or controlling the working interest in any unitized land having thereon a regular well location may with the approval of the Supervisor, at such party's sole risk, costs, and expense, drill a well to test any formation for which a participating area has not been established or

1	to test any formation for which a participating area has been established if	1
2	such location is not within said participating area, unless within 90 days of	2
3	receipt of notice from said party of his intention to drill the well the Unit	3
4	Operator elects and commences to drill such a well in like manner as other	4
5	wells are drilled by the Unit Operator under this agreement.	5
6	If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner results in	6
7	production such that the land upon which it is situated may properly be	7
8	included in a participating area, such participating area shall be established	8
9	or enlarged as provided in this agreement and the well shall thereafter be	9
10	operated by the Unit Operator in accordance with the terms of this agreement	10
11	and the unit operating agreement.	11
12	If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner obtains	12
13	production in quantities insufficient to justify the inclusion of the land	13
14	upon which such well is situated in a participating area, such well may be	14
15	operated and produced by the party drilling the same subject to the conserva-	15
16	tion requirements of this agreement. The royalties in amount or value of	16
17	production from any such well shall be paid as specified in the underlying	17
18	lease and agreements affected.	18
19	14. ROYALTY SETTLEMENT. The United States and any State and any royalty	19
20	owner who, is entitled to take in kind a share of the substances now unitized	20
21	hereunder shall hereafter be entitled to the right to take in kind its	21
22	share of the unitized substances, and Unit Operator, or the working interest	22
23	owner in case of the operation of a well by a working interest owner as herein	23
24	provided for in special cases, shall make deliveries of such royalty share	24
25	taken in kind in conformity with the applicable contracts, laws, and regula-	25
26	tions. Settlement for royalty interest not taken in kind shall be made by	26
27	working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws	27
28	and regulations, or by the Unit Operator on or before the last day of each	28
29	month for unitized substances produced during the preceding calendar month;	29
30	provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve	30
31	the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the	31
32	payment of any royalties due under their leases.	32

1	If gas obtained from lands not subject to this agreement is introduced	1
2	into any participating area hereunder, for use in repressuring, stimulation of	2
3	production, or increasing ultimate recovery, in conformity with a plan of	3
4	operations approved by the Supervisor, a like amount of gas, after settlement	Ĺ
5	as herein provided for any gas transferred from any other participating area	
6	and with appropriate deduction for loss from any cause, may be withdrawn	6
7	from the formation into which the gas is introduced, royalty free as to dry	7
8	gas, but not as to any products which may be extracted therefrom; provided	8
9	that such withdrawal shall be at such time as may be provided in the approved	ģ
10	plan of operations or as may otherwise be consented to by the Supervisor as	10
11	conforming to good petroleum engineering practice; and provided further, that	11
12	such right of withdrawal shall terminate on the termination of this unit	12
13	agreement.	13
14	Royalty due the United States shall be computed as provided in the	14
15	operating regulations and paid in value or delivered in kind as to all	15
<b>l</b> 6	'unitized substances on the basis of the amounts thereof allocated to unitized	16
1.7	Federal land as provided herein at the rates specified in the respective	17
18	Federal leases, or at such lower rate or rates as may be authorized by law or	18
19	regulation; provided, that for leases on which the royalty rate depends on the	19
20	daily average production per well, said average production shall be determined	20
21	in accordance with the operating regulations as though each participating area	21
22	were a single consolidated lease.	22
23	15. RENTAL SETTLEMENT. Rental or minimum royalties due on leases	23
24	committed hereto shall be paid by working interest owners responsible therefor	24
25	under existing contracts, laws, and regulations, provided that nothing herein	25
26	contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their	26
27	respective lease obligations for the payment of any rental or minimum royalty	27
28	due under their leases. Rental or minimum royalty for lands of the	28
29	United States subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rate specified	29
30	in the respective leases from the United States unless such rental or	30
31	minimum royalty is waived, suspended, or reduced by law or by approval of	31

32 the Secretary or his duly authorized representative.

1	With respect to any lease on non-Federal land containing provisions which	1
2	would terminate such lease unless drilling operations are commenced upon the	2
3	land covered thereby within the time therein specified or rentals are paid	3
4	for the privilege of deferring such drilling operations, the rentals required	4
5	thereby shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, be	5
6	deemed to accrue and become payable during the term thereof as extended by	6
7	this agreement and until the required drilling operations are commenced upon	7
8	the land covered thereby or until some portion of such land is included within	8
9	a participating area.	9
10	16. CONSERVATION. Operations hereunder and production of unitized	10
11	substances shall be conducted to provide for the most economical and efficient	11
12	recovery of said substances without waste, as defined by or pursuant to State	12
13	or Federal law or regulation.	13
14	17. DRAINAGE. The Unit Operator shall take such measures as the Super-	14
15	visor deems appropriate and adequate to prevent drainage of unitized substances	15
16	from unitized land by wells on land not subject to this agreement.	16
17	18. LEASES AND CONTRACTS CONFORMED AND EXTENDED. The terms, conditions,	17
18	and provisions of all leases, subleases, and other contracts relating to	18
19	exploration, drilling, development, or operation for oil or gas on lands	19
20	committed to this agreement are hereby expressly modified and amended to the	20
21	extent necessary to make the same conform to the provisions hereof, but other-	21
22	wise to remain in full force and effect; and the parties hereto hereby consent	22
23	that the Secretary shall and by his approval hereof, or by the approval hereof	23
24	by his duly authorized representative, does hereby establish, alter, change,	24
25	or revoke the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty, and royalty	25
26	requirements of Federal leases committed hereto and the regulations in respect	26
27	thereto to conform said requirements to the provisions of this agreement, and,	27
28	without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all leases, subleases, and	28
29	contracts are particularly modified in accordance with the following:	29
30	(a) The development and operation of lands subject to this agreement	30

under the terms hereof shall be deemed full performance of all obligations 31

1	for development and operation with respect to each and every	1
2	separately owned tract subject to this agreement, regardless of	2
3	whether there is any development of any particular tract of the	3
4	unit area.	4
5	(b) Drilling and producing operations performed hereunder upon	5
6	any tract of unitized lands will be accepted and deemed to be	6
7	performed upon and for the benefit of each and every tract of	7
8	unitized land, and no lease shall be deemed to expire by reason of	8
9	failure to drill or produce wells situated on the land therein	9
10	embraced.	10
11	(c) Suspension of drilling or producing operations on all unitized	11
12	lands pursuant to direction or consent of the Secretary or his duly	12
13	authorized representative shall be deemed to constitute such suspension	13
14	pursuant to such direction or consent as to each and every tract of	14
15	unitized land. A suspension of drilling or producing operations limited	to <sup>15</sup>
16	specified lands shall be applicable only to such lands.	16
17	(d) Each lease, sublease or contract relating to the exploration,	17
18	drilling, development or operation for oil or gas of lands other than	18
19	those of the United States committed to this agreement, which, by its	19
20	terms might expire prior to the termination of this agreement, is hereby	20
21	extended beyond any such terms so provided therein so that it shall be	21
22	continued in full force and effect for and during the term of this	22
23	agreement.	23
24	(e) Any Federal lease for a fixed term of twenty (20) years or any	24
25	renewal thereof or any part of such lease which is made subject to this	25
26	agreement shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein until	26
27	the termination hereof. Any other Federal lease committed hereto shall	27
28	continue in force beyond the term so provided therein or by law as to	28
29	the land committed so long as such lease remains subject hereto,	29
30	provided that production is had in paying quantities under this unit	30
31	agreement prior to the expiration date of the term of such lease, or in	31
32	the event actual drilling operations are commenced on unitized land, in	32
33	accordance with the provisions of this agreement, prior to the end of	33
34	the primary term of such lease and are being diligently prosecuted at	34
35	that time, such lease shall be extended for two years and so long	35

- (f) Each sublease or contract relating to the operation and development of unitized substances from lands of the United States committed to this agreement, which by its terms would expire prior to the time at which the underlying lease, as extended by the immediately preceding paragraph, will expire, is hereby extended beyond any such term so provided therein so that it shall be continued in full force and effect for and during the term of the underlying lease as such term is herein extended.
- (g) The segregation of any Federal lease committed to this agreement is governed by the following provision in the fourth paragraph of Sec. 17(j) of the Mineral Leasing Act, as amended by the Act of September 2, 1960 (74 Stat. 781-784): "Any [Federal] lease heretofore or hereafter committed to any such [unit] plan embracing lands that are in part within and in part outside of the area covered by any such plan shall be segregated into separate leases as to the lands committed and the lands not committed as of the effective date of unitization:

  Provided, however, That any such lease as to the nonunitized portion shall continue in force and effect for the term thereof but for not less than two years from the date of such segregation and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities."
- (h) Any lease, other than a Federal lease, having only a portion of its lands committed hereto shall be segregated as to the portion committed and the portion not committed, and the provisions of such lease shall apply separately to such segregated portions commencing as of the effective date hereof. In the event any such lease provides for a lump-sum rental payment, such payment shall be prorated between the portions so segregated in proportion to the acreage of the respective tracts.
- 19. COVENANTS RUN WITH LAND. The covenants herein shall be construed to be covenants running with the land with respect to the interest of the parties hereto and their successors in interest until this agreement terminates, and any grant, transfer, or conveyance, of interest in land or leases subject hereto shall be and hereby is conditioned upon the assumption of all privileges and

obligations hereunder by the grantee, transferee, or other successor in interest. No assignment or transfer of any working interest, royalty, or other interest subject hereto shall be binding upon Unit Operator until the first day of the calendar month after Unit Operator is furnished with the original, photostatic, or certified copy of the instrument of transfer.

- 20. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Secretary or his duly authorized representative and shall terminate five (5) years from said effective date unless
  - (a) such date of expiration is extended by the Director, or
  - (b) it is reasonably determined prior to the expiration of the fixed term or any extension thereof that the unitized land is incapable of production of unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations tested hereunder and after notice of intention to terminate the agreement on such ground is given by the Unit Operator to all parties in interest at their last known addresses, the agreement is terminated with the approval of the Supervisor, or
  - (c) a valuable discovery of unitized substances has been made or accepted on unitized land during said initial term or any extension thereof, in which event the agreement shall remain in effect for such term and so long as unitized substances can be produced in quantities sufficient to pay for the cost of producing same from wells on unitized land within any participating area established hereunder and, should production cease, so long thereafter as diligent operations are in progress for the restoration of production or discovery of new production and so long thereafter as unitized substances so discovered can be produced as aforesaid, or
- (d) it is terminated as heretofore provided in this agreement.

  This agreement may be terminated at any time by not less than 75 per centum, on an acreage basis, of the working interest owners signatory hereto, with the approval of the Supervisor; notice of any such approval to be given by the Unit Operator to all parties hereto.
  - 21. RATE OF PROSPECTING, DEVELOPMENT, AND PRODUCTION. The Director is

ncreby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such quantity and rate is not fixed pursuant to Federal or State law or does not conform to any state-wide voluntary conservation or allocation program, which is established, recognized, and generally adhered to by the majority of operators in such State, such authority being hereby limited to alteration or modification in the public interest, the purpose thereof and the public interest to be served thereby to be stated in the order of alteration or modification. Without regard to the foregoing, the Director is also hereby vested with authority to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the rate of prospecting and development and the quantity and rate of production under this agreement when such alteration or modification is in the interest of attaining the conservation objectives stated in this agreement and is not in violation of any applicable Federal or State law.

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Powers in this section vested in the Director shall only be exercised after notice to Unit Operator and opportunity for hearing to be held not less than 15 days from notice.

- 22. APPEARANCES. Unit Operator shall, after notice to other parties affected, have the right to appear for and on behalf of any and all interests affected hereby before the Department of the Interior and to appeal from orders issued under the regulations of said Department or to apply for relief from any of said regulations or in any proceedings relative to operations before the Department of the Interior or any other legally constituted authority; provided, however, that any other interested party shall also have the right at his own expense to be heard in any such proceeding.
- 23. NOTICES. All notices, demands or statements required hereunder to be given or rendered to the parties hereto shall be deemed fully given if given in writing and personally delivered to the party or sent by postpaid registered or certified mail, addressed to such party or parties at their respective addresses set forth in connection with the signatures hereto or to the ratification or consent hereof or to such other address as any such party may have furnished in writing to party sending the notice, demand or statement.

*	24. NO WAITER OF CERTAIN RIGHGI. NOTHING IN THIS ASTROMENT CONTAINED	Ţ
2	shall be construed as a waiver by any party hereto of the right to assert any	2
3	legal or constitutional right or defense as to the validity or invalidity of	3
4	any law of the State wherein said unitized lands are located, or of the	4
5	United States, or regulations issued thereunder in any way affecting such	5
6	party, or as a waiver by any such party of any right beyond his or its	6
7	authority to waive.	7
8	25. UNAVOIDABLE DELAY. All obligations under this agreement requiring	8
9	the Unit Operator to commence or continue drilling or to operate on or produce	9
10	unitized substances from any of the lands covered by this agreement shall be	10
11	suspended while the Unit Operator, despite the exercise of due care and	11
12	diligence, is prevented from complying with such obligations, in whole or in	12
13	part, by strikes, acts of God, Federal, State, or municipal law or agencies,	13
14	unavoidable accidents, uncontrollable delays in transportation, inability	14
15	to obtain necessary materials in open market, or other matters beyond the	15
16	reasonable control of the Unit Operator whether similar to matters herein	16
17	enumerated or not. No unit obligation which is suspended under this	17
18	section shall become due less than thirty (30) days after it has been	18
19	determined that the suspension is no longer applicable. Determination of	19
20	creditable "Unavoidable Delay" time shall be made by the unit operator subject	20
21	to approval of the Supervisor.	21
22	26. NONDISCRIMINATION. In connection with the performance of work under	22
23	this agreement, the operator agrees to comply with all the provisions of	23
24	section 202 (1) to (7) inclusive of Executive Order 11246 (30 F.R. 12319),	24
25	which are hereby incorporated by reference in this agreement.	25
26	27. LOSS OF TITLE. In the event title to any tract of unitized land	26
27	shall fail and the true owner cannot be induced to join in this unit agreement,	,27
28	such tract shall be automatically regarded as not committed hereto and there	28
29	shall be such readjustment of future costs and benefits as may be required on	29
30	account of the loss of such title. In the event of a dispute as to title as	30
31	to any royalty, working interest, or other interests subject thereto, pay-	31
32	ment or delivery on account thereof may be withheld without liability for	32
33	interest until the dispute is finally settled; provided, that, as to Federal	33
34	land or leases, no payments of funds due the United States should be withheld,	34
35	but such funds shall be deposited as directed by the Supervisor to be held	35
36	as unearned money pending final settlement of the title dispute, and then	36
37	applied as earned or returned in accordance with such final settlement.	37

1	Unit Operator as such is relieved from any responsibility for any	1
2	defect or failure of any title hereunder.	2
3	28. NON-JOINDER AND SUBSEQUENT JOINDER. If the owner of any sub-	3
4	stantial interest in a tract within the unit area fails or refuses to sub-	4
5	scribe or consent to this agreement, the owner of the working interest in that	5
6	tract may withdraw said tract from this agreement by written notice delivered	6
7	to the Supervisor and the Unit Operator prior to the approval of this agree-	7
8	ment by the Supervisor. Any oil or gas interests in lands within the unit area	8
9	not committed hereto prior to submission of this agreement for final approval	9
10	may thereafter be committed hereto by the owner or owners thereof subscribing	10
11	or consenting to this agreement, and, if the interest is a working interest, by	11
12	the owner of such interest also subscribing to the unit operating agreement.	12
13	After operations are commenced hereunder, the right of subsequent joinder, as	13
14	provided in this section, by a working interest owner is subject to such	14
15	requirements or approvals, if any, pertaining to such joinder, as may be	15
16	provided for in the unit operating agreement. After final approval hereof,	16
17	joinder by a non-working interest owner must be consented to in writing	17
18	by the working interest owner committed hereto and responsible for the	18
19	payment of any benefits that may accrue hereunder in behalf of such non-	19
20	working interest. A non-working interest may not be committed to this unit	20
21	agreement unless the corresponding working interest is consisted hereto.	21
22	Joinder to the unit agreement by a working-interest owner, at any time,	22
23	must be accompanied by appropriate joinder to the unit operating agreement,	23
24	if more than one committed working-interest owner is involved, in order for	24
25	the interest to be regarded as committed to this unit agreement. Except as	25
26	may otherwise herein be provided, subsequent joinders to this agreement shall	2€
27	be effective as of the first day of the month following the filing with the	27
28	Supervisor of duly executed counterparts of all or any papers necessary to	28
29	establish effective commitment of any tract to this agreement unless objection	29

to such joinder is duly made within 60 days by the Supervisor.

1	29. COUNTERPARTS. This agreement may be executed in any number of	1
2	counterparts no one of which needs to be executed by all parties or may be	2
3	ratified or consented to by separate instrument in writing specifically	3
4	referring hereto and shall be binding upon all those parties who have	4
5	executed such a counterpart, ratification, or consent hereto with the same	5
6	force and effect as if all such parties had signed the same document and	6
7	regardless of whether or not it is executed by all other parties owning or	7
8	claiming an interest in the lands within the above-described unit area.	8
9	30. SURRENDER. Nothing in this agreement shall prohibit the exercise	9
10	by any working interest owner of the right to surrender vested in such party by	10
11	any lease, sublease, or operating agreement as to all or any part of the lands	11
12	covered thereby, provided that each party who will or might acquire such	12
13	working interest by such surrender or by forfeiture as hereafter set forth,	13
14	is bound by the terms of this agreement.	14
15	If as a result of any such surrender the working interest rights as to	15
16	such lands become vested in any party other than the fee owner of the unitized	16
17	substances, said party may forfeit such rights and further benefits from	17
18	operation hereunder as to said land to the party next in the chain of title	18
19	who shall be and become the owner of such working interest.	19
20	If as the result of any such surrender or forfeiture working interest	20
21	rights become vested in the fee owner of the unitized substances, such	21
22	owner may:	22
23	(1) Accept those working interest rights subject to this agreement	23
24	and the unit operating agreement; or	24
25	(2) Lease the portion of such land as is included in a participating	25
26	area established hereunder subject to this agreement and the unit	26
27	operating agreement.	27
28	(3) Provide for the independent operation of any part of such land	28
29	that are not then included within a participating area established	29

hereunder.

1	If the fee owner of the unitized substances does not accept the working	1
2	interest rights subject to this agreement and the unit operating agreement	2
3	or lease such lands as above provided within six (6) months after the	3
4	surrendered or forfeited working interest rights become vested in the fee	4
5	owner, the benefits and obligations of operations accruing to such lands	5
6	under this agreement and the unit operating agreement shall be shared by the	6
7	remaining owners of unitized working interests in accordance with their	7
8	respective working interest ownerships, and such owners of working interests	8
9	shall compensate* the fee owner of unitized substances in such lands by paying	9
10	sums equal to the rentals, minimum royalties, and royalties applicable to	10
11	such lands under the lease in effect when the lands were unitized.	11
12	An appropriate accounting and settlement shall be made for all benefits	12
13	accruing to or payments and expenditures made or incurred on behalf of such	13
14	surrendered or forfeited working interest subsequent to the date of surrender	14
15	or forfeiture, and payment of any moneys found to be owing by such an	15
16	accounting shall be made as between the parties within thirty (30) days. In	16
17	the event no unit operating agreement is in existence and a mutually acceptable	17
<b>.8</b>	agreement between the proper parties thereto cannot be consummated, the	18
19	Supervisor may prescribe such reasonable and equitable agreement as he deems	19
20	warranted under the circumstances.	20
21	The exercise of any right vested in a working interest owner to reassign	21
22	such working interest to the party from whom obtained shall be subject to the	22
23	same conditions as set forth in this section in regard to the exercise of a	23
24	right to surrender.	24
25	31. TAXES. The working interest owners shall render and pay for	25
26	their account and the account of the royalty owners all valid taxes on or meas-	26
27	ured by the unitized substances in and under or that may be produced, gathered	27
28	and sold from the land subject to this contract after the effective date of this	s 28
29	agreement, or upon the proceeds or net proceeds derived therefrom. The working	29

interest owners on each tract shall and may charge the proper proportion of
said taxes to the royalty owners having interests in said tract, and may
currently retain and deduct sufficient of the unitized substances or
derivative products, or net proceeds thereof from the allocated share of each
royalty owner to secure reimbursement for the taxes so paid. No such taxes
shall be charged to the United States or the State of New Mexico or to
any lessor who has a contract with his lessee which requires the lessee to
pay such taxes.

- 32. NO PARTNERSHIP. It is expressly agreed that the relation of the parties hereto is that of independent contractors and nothing in this agreement contained, expressed or implied, nor any operations conducted hereunder, shall create or be deemed to have created a partnership or association between the parties hereto or any of them.
- 33. PROTECTION OF POTASH DEPOSITS. No wells will be drilled for oil or gas at a location on the Unit Area which in the opinion of the Supervisor would result in undue waste of potash deposits or constitute a hazard to or unduly interfere with mining operations being conducted for the extraction of potash deposits.

The drilling or abondonment of any well on unitized land shall be done in accordance with applicable oil and gas operating regulations, including such requirements as may be presecribed by the Supervisor, as necessary to prevent the infiltration of oil, gas or water into formations containing potash deposits or into mines or workings being utilized in the extraction of such deposits.

Well records and survey plats that an oil and gas lessee of Federal lands must file pursuant to applicable operating regulations (30 CFR Part 221) shall be available for inspection at the Office of the Supervisor to any party holding a potash permit or lease on the Federal land on which the well is situated insofar as such records are pertinent to the mining and protection of potash deposits.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement 1 to be executed and have set opposite their respective names the date of 2 execution. 3 UNIT OPERATOR AND WORKING INTEREST OWNER AMERICAN QUASAR PETROLEUM CO. OF NEW MEXICO ATTEST: ADDRESS: 606 Vaughn Building Midland, Texas 79701 WORKING INTEREST OWNERS PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY DATE November 1, 1973 ADDRESS Phillips Building Odessa, Texas 79760 CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY DATE October 31,1973 ADDRESS 300 Midland Savings Building

CONTINENTAL OIL LIMITED, A Texas limited

Midland, Texas 79701

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Houston, Texas 77001

ADDRESS: 1300 Main Street

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY	OF	MIDLAND		

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
25 day of <u>Sept.</u> , 1973, by Ted
Collins, Jr., President of American Quasar Petroleum Co.
of New Mexico, a New Mexico Corporation for and on behalf of
Notary Public in and for Midland County, Texas
My Commission Expires:
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ECTOR
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
lst day of November , 1973, by F. F. LOVERING
, Attorney-in-Fact for Phillips Petroleum
Company, a Delaware Corporation, for and on behalf of said
Corporation.  Motary Public in and for <u>Ector</u> County, <u>Texas</u>
My Commission Expires:
June 1, 1975
STATE OF Julas
COUNTY OF Midland
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
3/at day of October, 1973, by R.F.
MATHEWS Attorney-in-Fact for Continental Oil Company, a
Delaware Corporation, for and on behalf of said Corporation.
Madrie Bricon Notary Public in and for <u>Midland</u> County, Jevan
My Commission Expires:

COUNTY OF MIDLAND I

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public in for said County, and State, personally appeared R. F. MATHEWS, to me personally known and known to me to be the Attorney-in-Fact of and who executed the within instrument in said capacity on behalf of CONTINENTAL OIL LIMITED, a limited partnership, the partnership described therein, and being by me duly sworn, did say and acknowledge to me that he voluntarily executed the same in said capacity in behalf of said partnership by authority of its General Partner as a free and voluntary act and deed of said partnership for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

of October, 1973.

Notary Public in and for Midland

County, Texas

My Commission expires:

### BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 5067 Order No. R-4642

APPLICATION OF AMERICAN QUASAR PETROLEUM CO. OF NEW MEXICO FOR APPROVAL OF THE DUNES UNIT AGREEMENT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on September 19, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this <u>llth</u> day of October, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, American Quasar Petroleum Company of New Mexico, seeks approval of the Dunes Unit Agreement covering 2,575.89 acres, more or less, of Federal and Fee lands described as follows:

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM
Section 31: All

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM Sections 1 and 12: All

TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, NMPM Section 6: All

(3) That approval of the proposed unit agreement should promote the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights within the unit area.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the Dunes Unit Agreement is hereby approved.
- (2) That the plan contained in said unit agreement for the development and operation of the unit area is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinguishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Commission to supervise and control operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the unit and production of oil or gas therefrom.
- (3) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the unit agreement within 30 days after the effective date thereof; that in the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.
- (4) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Director of the United States Geological Survey; that this order shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement; and that the last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.
- (5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALHX J. ARMIJO, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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## CONSENT AND RATIFICATION DUNES UNIT AGREEMENT EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

The undersigned, (whether one or more) hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Unit Agreement for the Development and Operation of the Dunes Unit Area embracing lands situated in Eddy County, New Mexico, which said Agreement is dated the 15th day of August , 1973, and acknowledge that they have read the same and are familiar with the terms and conditions thereof. The undersigned, also being the owners of the leasehold, royalty, or other interests in the lands or minerals embraced in said Unit Area, as indicated on the schedule attached to said Unit Agreement as Exhibit "B", do hereby commit all of their said interests to the Dunes Unit Agreement and do hereby consent thereto and ratify all of the terms and provisions thereof, exactly the same as if the undersigned had executed the original of said Unit Agreement or a counterpart thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the undersigned as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.

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The fo	ctoper	was acknowledged before me this, 1973, by <u>Richard I. Peterson</u> s wife.
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	CORPORATE	
STATE OF	,	
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corporation.		ion, for and on bonari or bara
MY COMMISSION EX	PIRES:	
		Notary Public,

### CONSENT AND RATIFICATION DUNES UNIT AGREEMENT EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed by the undersigned as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.

ATTEST:	FLAG-REDFERN OIL COMPANY
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EARE A. ROGERS, Asst. Secretary	INDIVIDUAL JOHN J. REDFERN, JR., President
STATE OF	Ž Ž
	instrument was acknowledged before me this , 1973, by, his wife.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	, 1120
	Notary Public,
	CORPORATE
STATE OF Zirlas COUNTY OF Milland	ğ ğ
The foregoing  26 day of October  who is President of  Corporation.	instrument was acknowledged before me this  , 1973 by John Helfun III  f Hag- Kelfun All Company a  Corporation, for and on behalf of said
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	
	Notary Public, SARAH VANDERFORD - Notary Public Midland County, Texas My Commission Expires June 1, 1975

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L.E. Boule
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INDIVIDUAL
STATE OF TEXAS OUNTY OF MIDLAND
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  5th day of November , 1973, by R. E. Boyle
and Sweetie J. Boyle, his wife.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  June 1, 1975  Notary Public,
CORPORATE
STATE OF COUNTY OF T
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of, 1973 by a
who is of a Corporation, for and on behalf of said
corporation.
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Notary Public,

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Esther Abell Denton, Individually and as Trustee under the Will of Harry W. Denton	Jo Denton Murchison
THE STATE OF TEXAS )	

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 30th day of October, 1973, by Esther Abell Denton, Individually and as Trustee under the Will of Harry W. Denton.

My Commission Expires:

June 1, 1975

All Dello Donnell

Notary Public, Midland County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS )
COUNTY OF DALLAS )

COUNTY OF MIDLAND )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of detection 1973, by Jo Denton Murchison.

My Commission Expires: June 1, 1975 Mold Medic, Dallas County, Texas

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	Assistant S	Secretary	PR	SIDENT		*
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Gran R. Galana
Mrs. George R. Gelso
INDIVIDUAL
STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MIDLAND
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of October, 1973, by George R. Gibson
and Mrs. George R. Gibson , his wife.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:
OFFICIAL SEAL SALE
Notary Public,
MIDLAND COUNTY My Comm, Expires June 1, 197
CORPORATE
STATE OF COUNTY OF
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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of , 1973 by
day of, 1973 by a  Corporation, for and on behalf of said
corporation.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:
Notary Public,
Notary Public,

P.O. Box 2185	Themas Alle
Roswell, New Mexico 88201	Thomas Allen
_	Jerune Allen, his wife
	INDIVIDUAL
STATE OF New Mexico COUNTY OF Chaves	Ŭ Ŭ
28th day of September	instrument was acknowledged before me this, 1973, byThomas Allen, his wife.
and Jerune Allen	, his wife.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	
July 6, 1977	Notary Public, Jaylar
	CORPORATE
STATE OF	Ų Ų
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corporation.	<del></del>
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	Notary Public,

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Corporation, for and on behalf of said

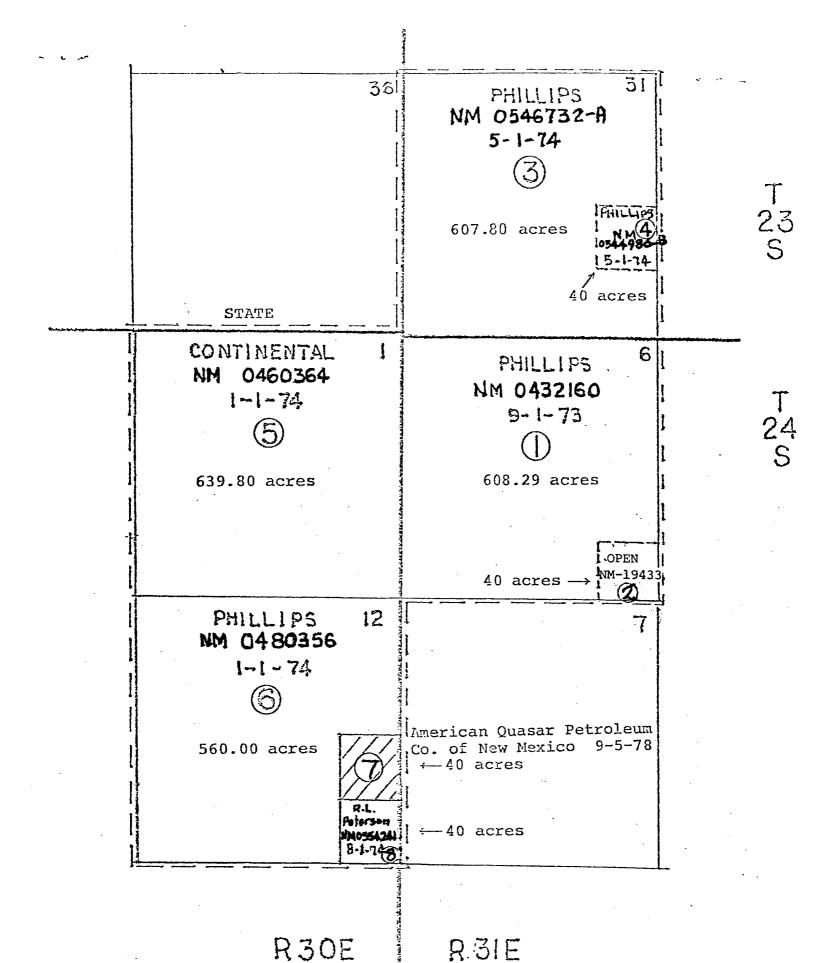
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as of the date set forth in their respective acknowledgments.
Beth Buth Wright
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INDIVIDUAL
STATE OF NM - COUNTY OF Santa C
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of 1973, by Howen H. WRIGHT and Betty Ruth WRIGHT, his wife.  MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  Notary Public,
CORPORATE
STATE OF COUNTY OF T
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of, 1973 by
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:
Notary Public,

as of the date set forth	in their respective acknowledgments.
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	INDIVIDUAL.
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	Lat Babcak Notary Public,
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STATE OF	Ď.
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	
	Notary Public,

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OC. Safank RW. Safarik
Louise, Safaret Margout H. Safarik
INDIVIDUAL
STATE OF COUNTY OF COUNTY OF
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of Closer, 1973, by O.C. Louise Safare and Aus & Magnet & Safare his wife.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  LIS-15  Onnie McDaniel  Notary Public,
CORPORATE
STATE OF COUNTY OF
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Corporation, for and on behalf of said corporation.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:
Notary Public,



OUTLINE OF UNIT AREA

TRACT NUMBER

FEDERAL LAND, 2,535.89 ACRES

98.44% of UNIT AREA

PATENTED (FEE) LANDS, 40 ACRES

1.55% of UNIT AREA

TOTAL 2,575.89 ACRES

SERIAL NUMBERS OF FEDERAL LEASES:

NM 0432160

0460364

0480356 0544986-B

0546732-A

0554241

19443

EXHIBIT "A"

DUNES UNIT

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

# EXHIBIT "B" SCHEDULE OF LANDS AND LEASES DUNES UNIT AREA EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Tract	Description	Number of Acres	Lease Serial No. Expiration Date	SCHEDULE DU EDDY Co Basic Royalty and Percent	HEDULE OF LANDS AND LEASES  DUNES UNIT AREA  EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ic it ty  ty  Lessee of Record I	Interest	Overriding Royalty Owner and Percentage	lty Working Interest Owner and Percentage
No.	Description	of Acres	Date	Percent	of	Interest	Percentage	Percentage
Townshi	Township 24 South, Range	31 East, NMPM	MA]					
-	Section 6: lots 1,2,3,4,5,6,7, SE/4 NW/4, E/2 SW/4, S/2 NE/4, W/2 SE/4, W/2 SE/4 & NE/4 SE/4	608.29 W/4, /4, SE/4	NM-0432160 8-31-73 (extented by drilling oprs)	U.S.A. 12.5	Phillips Petroleum Co.	All	Flag-Redfern Oil Company Successor to Redfern Development Corporation	ny Phillips Pet. Corp. All n 5.0000
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Townshi	Township 23, South, Range	31, East, NMPM	MPM					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Section 31: Lots 1,2,3,4, E/2 W/2, NE/4, W/2 SE/4, SE/4 SE/4	607.80	NM-0546732-A 4-30-74	12.5	Phillips Petroleum Co.	AII	R. E. Boyle Esther Abell Denton 0 Esther Abell Denton, 0 Trustee under Will of Harry Denton Jo Denton Murchison 0 Discovery, Inc. 0 George R. Gibson 7 Thomas Allen 0	2.00000 Phillips Petroleum ( 0.50000  0.25000  0.25000  0.50000  0.50000  0.99646  0.00354

R. L. Peterson		None	All	R. L. Peterson	U.S.A. 12.5	NM-0554241 7-31-74	40.00	Section 12: SE/4 SE/4	39
Phillips Petroleum Co.	2.50	O. C. Safarik R. W. Safarik	A11	Phillips Petroleum Co.	U.S.A. 12.5	NM-0480356 12-31-73	2, SE/4 560.00	Section 12: N/2, SW/4 and W/2 SE/4 560	6
Continental Oil Ltd. A Texas Limited Partnership		None	A11	Continental Oil Co.	U.S.A. 12.5	NM-0460364 12-31-73	s 639.80 N/2,	Section 1: Lots 639.80 1,2,3,4, S/2 N/2, S/2	Ŋ
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Phillips Petroleum Co.	r 3.75	Albert H. Spencer Hoover H. Wright	A11	Phillips Petroleum Co.	U.S.A. 12.5	NM-0544986-B	40.00	Section 31: NE/4 SE/4	4
Working Interest Owner and Percentage	ty	Overriding Royalty Owner and Percentage	Interest	Lessee of Record	Basic Royalty and Percent	Lease Serial No. Expiration Date	Number of Acres	Description	Tract

2,535.89 Acres, Federal Lands

State of New Mexico Lands

None

				A11
Working Interest Owner and Percentage			American Quasar	Pet. Co. of New Mexico.
Overriding Royalty Owner and Percentage				None
Interest			Petroleum	A11
Lessee of Record	Patented (Fee) Lands		erican Quasar	Co. of New Mexico
Basic Royalty and Percent			Snyder Ran LTD.	18, 75
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40 acres, Patented (fee) Lands

RECAPITULATION

2,535.89 acres, Federal Lands - 98.44% of Unit Area 40.00 acres, Fee Lands - 1.55% of Unit Area 10.575.89 acres,



### United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

#### Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

November 6, 1973

501-7

J. T. Dickerson Attorney-at-Law 1209 Western United Life Building Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

Three approved copies of the Dunes unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico, with American Quasar Petroleum Company of New Mexico as operator, are enclosed. Such agreement has been assigned No. 14-08-0001-13806 and is effective November 6, 1973, the same date as approved.

You are requested to furnish the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission and all other interested principals with appropriate evidence of this approval.

Sincerely yours,

CARL C. TRAYWICK
Acting Area Oil & Gas Supervisor

cc:

NMOCC, Santa Fe (ltr only)
Com. Pub. Lands, Santa Fe (ltr only)
Area Geologist, Roswell (ltr only)
Artesia (w/cy appln)

JFSims:ds



#### **OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501 I. R. TRUJILLO
CHAIRMAN

LAND COMMISSIONER
ALEX J. ARMIJO
MEMBER
STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

October 15, 1973

	Re:	CASE NO	5067
		ORDER NO	R-4642
Mr. Randolph Richardson Attorney at Law Post Office Box 819		Applicant:	
Roswell, New Mexico 88201		American	Quasar Petroleum
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Dear Sir:			
Enclosed herewith are two Commission order recently	_		
	Very trul	y yours,	
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	Secretary	· ·	
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Other Unit D	ivision		
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