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#### State of New Mexico







# Commissioner of Public Lands

March 5, 1984

P.O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148
Express Mail Delivery User
310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

American Trading and Production Corp. 110 West Louisiana, Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

Re: First Revision to Initial
Strawn Participating Area
Talco Unit Agreement
Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Randall L. Capps

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the first Revision to the Initial Strawn Participating Area for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. The first Revision of the Strawn Participating Area includes 960.00 acres described as the S/2 of Section 2, W/2 Section 11, W/2 Section 12, Township 26 South, Range 35 East, Lea County New Mexico. This Enlargement of the Initial Participating Area is predicated upon the successful completion of the Unit Well No. 2 as a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the Bureau of Land Management.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-5744

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cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico OGAC-Santa Fe, New Mexico BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico

BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn.-Mr. Armando Lopez







# Commissioner of Public Lands

March 13, 1984

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310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

American Trading and Production Corp. The Atrium Centre, 110 West Louisiana, Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

Re: 1984 Plan of Development

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Randall L. Capps

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public lands has this date approved your 1984 Plan of Development for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Such Plan proposes to study well performances and the gas market. Our approval is subject to like approval by the Bureau of Land Management and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-5744

JB/RDG/pm encls.

cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico BLM-Roswell, New Mexico





#### State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Cands

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER

310 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL P.O. BOX 1148

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

(505) 827-5760 FAX (505) 8!7-5766

December 11, 1997

American Trading & Production Corporation 415 West Wall Street Suite 800 Midland, Texas 79701

Attn: Mr. Robert E. Lee

Re: 1997 Plan of Development

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Lee:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has, of this date, approved the above-captioned Plan of Development. 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 may be contacted at a later date regarding these possibilities.

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

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

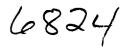
JAMI BAILEY, Director
Oil, Gas and Minerals Division

(505) 827-5744

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W.R. HUMPHRIES COMMISSIONER



SLO REF. NO. 0G-343

# Commissioner of Public Lands

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

August 17, 1987

American Trading and Production Corp. Attention: Carl O. Brininstool The Atrium Centre 110 West Louisiana, Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

Re: Talco Unit

1987 Plan of Development

#### Gentlemen:

The Commissiner of Public Lands has this date approved the above captioned Plan of Development. Our approval is subject to like approval by all appropriate agencies.

If we may be of further help, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

W. R. HUMPHRIES
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: Dryle Vhen FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil & Gas Division

(505) 827-5744

WRH/FOP/ams enclosure

cc:Bureau of Land Management Oil Conservation Division









Commissioner of Public Lands

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

February 6, 1987

American Trading & Production Corp. ATTENTION: Mr. Carl O. Brinninstool The Atrium Centre 100 West Louisiana, Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

> 1987 Plan of Development Re:

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Upon reviewing the Talco Unit Agreement we find that the last Plan of Development for the referenced unit was dated January 31, 1985 and covered the development period of 1985. Under the terms of Article 10 of the Unit Agreement, please submit your Plan of Development for 1987.

As part of your plan we require an up-to-date map of the unit area showing all wells and the zone(s) of completion. In addition please furnish a summary by months of the last years production history. Please be advised that the above information (map and production history) will be required by this office on all future Plans of Development that require the Land Commissioner's approval.

Also, our records reflect that you intend to plug and abandon the Talco Unit Well No. 2-N located on State of New Mexico Lease No. LG-0052-1. Please notify this office when this well is finally plugged so that we may note our records accordingly.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours.

W. R. HUMPHRIES COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

Loughe Vha FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director

Oil and Gas Division

(505) 827-5744

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OCD-Santa Fe. New Mexico BLM-Roswell, New Mexico







Commissioner of Public Lands

March 18, 1986

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310 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

American Trading and Production Corporation The Atrium Centre 188 West Louisiana, Suite 388 Midland: Texas 79781

Re: Automatic Elimination

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Carl O. Brinninstool

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that the automatic elimination for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico was effective as of March 2, 1986, being five years from the effective date of the First Initial (Strawn) Participating area which was March 2, 1981

Article 2(e) of the Unit Agreement provides that a description of the lands eliminated should be furnished to the satisfaction of the District Manager and the Commissioner of Public Lands within 90 days after the automatic elimination date.

Please submit a description of the lands automatically eliminated from the Talco Unit Agreement together with lands remaining in the unit as described by Revised Exhibits "A" and "B"as per Article 2(e) of the unit agreement.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: I Copple Now

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-5744

JB/FOP/pm

cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico
BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico Attn: Fluids Branch
BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn: Mr. Armando Lopez





JIM BACA

# Commissioner of Public Lands

July 7, 1986

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

losee & Carson, P. A.

ATTINTION: Mr. A. J. Losee

P. O. Drawer 239

Antesia: New Mexico 88211-0239

Re: Automatic Elimination

Talco Unit

Lea County New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your letter dated June 27, 1986 requesting an extension of time until August 1, 1986, within which to file a description of the lands automatically eliminated from the Talco Unit, together with Exhibits "A" and "B".

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date granted you an extension to August 1, 1986. This action is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and the Bureau of Land Management.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil and Gas Division

(505) 827-5744

JB/FOP/pm

cc: OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico

BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn: Mr. Armando Lopez





JIM BACA

#### Commissioner of Public Lands

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

September 8, 1986

Losee & Carson, P. A.
ATTENTION: Mr. A. J. Losee
P. O. Box 239
Artesia, New Mexico 88211-0239

Re: Automatic Elimination Talco Unit Lea County, New Mexico

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Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your letter dated August 29, 1986, together with Revised Exhibits "A" and "B" describing the lands automatically eliminated from the Talco Unit Agreement, which you have submitted on behalf of American Trading and Production Corporation.

The Commissioner of Public Lands concurs with your description of the lands automatically eliminated effective as of March 2, 1986. The lands remaining contain 1,280.00 acres and are described as follows:

#### Township 26 South, Range 35 East

Section 11: A11 Section 12: W/2 Section 2: S/2

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director Oil and Gas Division (505) 827-5744

JB/FOP/pm

cc: OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico

BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn: Mr. Armando Lopez



#### United States Department of the Interior

#### **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

IN REPLY
REFER TO:

14-08-0001-18428 3180 (065)



SEP 5 1986

American Trading and Production Corporation Attention: Carl O. Brininstool

The Atrium Centre 100 West Louisiana Suite 300

Midland, TX 79701

#### Gentlemen:

Your letter of August 29, 1986, as submitted by Losee and Carson Law Offices, accompanied by revised Exhibits "A" and "B" correctly describes the lands automatically eliminated from the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico, pursuant to Section 2(e) of the unit agreement. The lands so eliminated contain 3,520 acres covering all legal subdivisions, no part of which are included in the Strawn participating area. The resultant unit area contains 1,280 acres.

Federal lands remaining within the contracted unit area are embraced in the following lease:

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\*Indicates lease which covers lands within the contracted unit area as well as lands eliminated from the unit area.

The following federal leases are entirely eliminated from the unit area:

NM-12280-A	NM-23309
NN-29745	M-29740
NM-11620	NM-16365
NM-29741	NN-23308
NN-15027	

The initial Strawn participating area was effective March 2, 1981. Since unit drilling operations to defer automatic elimination were not in progress on March 2, 1986, the automatic contraction provision of Section 2(e) became effective as of March 2, 1986.

We hereby concur in your description of the lands automatically eliminated from the Talco unit area, effective as of Earch 2, 1986. You will have satisfactorily complied with the requirement of Section 2(e) provided you promptly notify all parties in interest.

Sincerely,

Orig. Sgd. David L. Mari

FOR Francis R. Cherry, Jr. District Manager

cc:
Commissioner of Public Lands, Santa Fe
/NMOCD, Santa Fe

LAW OFFICES

#### LOSEE & CARSON, P. A.

A. J. LOSEE
JOEL M. CARSON

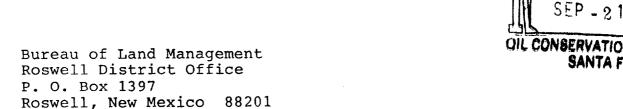
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JAMES E. HAAS
ERNEST L. CARROLL

900 AMERICAN HOME BUILDING P. O. DRAWER 239

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88211-0239

29 August 1986

AREA CODE 505 746-3508



Attention: Mr. Francis R. Cherry, Jr.

District Manager

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

Attention: Mr. Floyd O. Prando, Director Oil and Gas Division

State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. R. L. Stamets, Director

Re: Automatic Elimination
Talco Unit
3180 (065), 14-08-0001-18428
Lea County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

As provided in § 2(e) of the Unit Agreement, enclosed please find Exhibits "A" and "B" revised effective as of March 2, 1986, and description of lands automatically eliminated from the Talco Unit Agreement. We are furnishing five copies of the enclosures to the Bureau of Land Management, two copies to the Commissioner of Public Lands and one copy to the Oil Conservation Division.

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American Trading and Production Corporation, the unit operator, will notify all interested parties of this action.

Very truly yours,

AJL:scp Enclosures

cc: w/enclosures:

Mr. Carl O. Brininstool

District Landman

American Trading and Production Corporation

The Atrium Centre

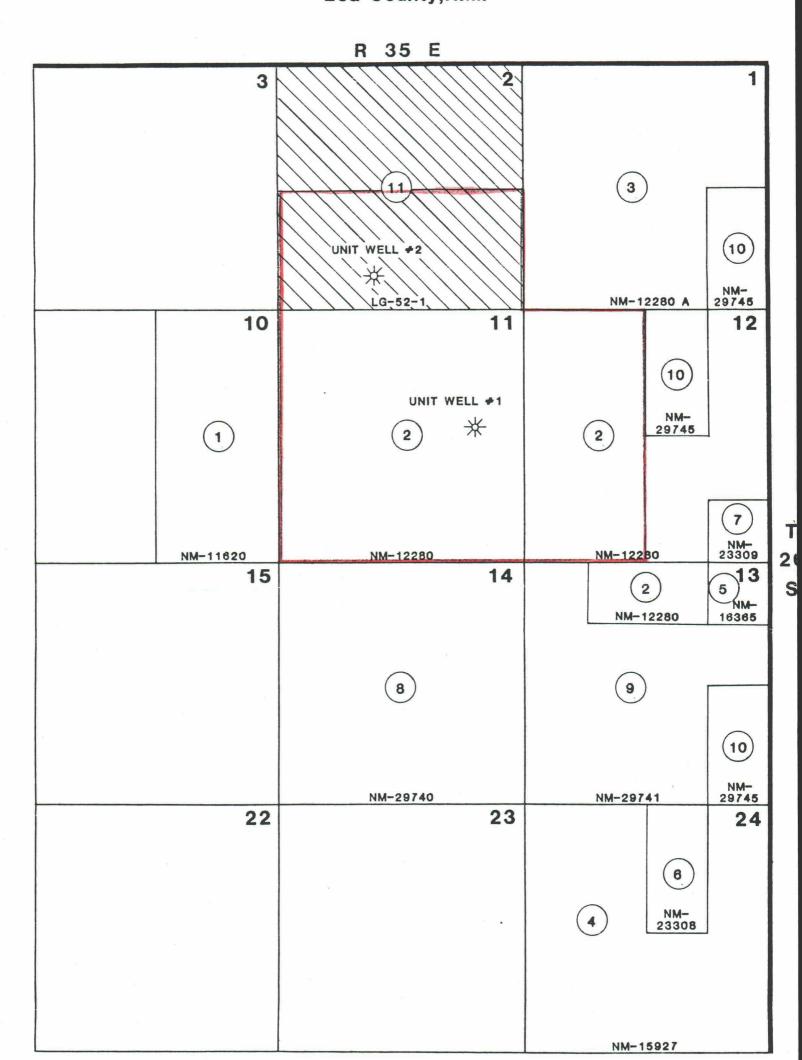
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Midland, Texas 79701

# EXHIBIT "A"

# TALCO UNIT Lea County, N.M.

(Revised: 3-2-86)



- UNIT OUTLINE as of 3-2-86

FEDERAL LAND

960 Acres

75%

STATE LAND

320 Acres 1280 Acres 25% 100%

1 TRACT NUMBER

# TALCO UNIT AREA

T-26-S, R-35-E, N.M.P.M. LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Working Interest and Percentage	Atapco:	Union:		
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Overriding Royalty Ownership and Percentage	Robert P. and Frances Kunkel: Grace C. & Bernard Winer: David N. Grimes:	William O. DeWitt, Jr. Individually & as Trustee 1 and wife, Katharine Dewitt: 1		
Lessee of Record	American Trading and Production Corporation	Union Oil Company of California		
Royalty Percentage	12.5	12.5		
Basic Ownership	USA	State	it Area	it Area
Serial No. & Exp. Date of Leases (New Mexico Serials)	NM-12280 8-31-80	LG-52-1 4-1-82	960 acres, being 75% of Unit Area	320 acres, being 25% of Unit Area
Number of Acres	096	320	960 acre	320 acre
Description of Land	Section 11: All 12: W/2	Section 2: S/2	Federal Tract	State Tract
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# (1) These interests are in fact owned as follows:

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American Trading and Production Corporation William K. Young	Frank G. Young	Young Oil Company	David Fasken	Ben J. Fortson	Tipperary Oil and Gas Corporation

T-26-S, R-35-E, N.M.P.M. LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Lessee of	Record	Amoco Production Company	American	Trading and Production Corporation		Amoco Production Company	•	American Trading and Production Corp: 50% BTA Oil Producers: 50%	9 5	Exxon Corp.	American Trading & Pro- duction Corp.
Royalty	Percentage	12.5	12.5			12.5	1	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5
Basic	Ownership	USA	USA			USA	ļ	USA	USA	USA	USA
Expiration	Date of Leases	4-30-80	8-31-80			8-31-80		6-30-82	1-31-83	12-31-84	10-31-84
	Serial No.	NM-11620	NM-12280			NM-12280A		NM-15927	NM-16365	NM-23308	NM-23309
	Number of Acres	320	280			560		099	40	80	40
	of Land	E/2	E/2 NE/4, N/2 SE/4, SW/4 SE/4	NE/4 NW/4, NW/4 NE/4	N/2, SW/4,	W/2 SE/4	W/2, E/2	NE/4, SE/4	NE/4 NE/4	W/2 NE/4	SE/4 SE/4
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T-26-S, R-35-E, N.M.P.M.
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Lessee of Record	Union Oil Co. of California	American Trading & Pro- duction Corp: 50%; BTA Oil Producers: 50%	Exxon Corp.	Union Oil Co. of California
Royalty Percentage	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5
Basic Ownership	USA	USA	USA	STATE
Expiration Date of Leases	2-28-82	6-30-82	12-31-84	4-1-82
Serial No.	NM-29740	NM-29741	NM-29745	LG-52-1
Number of Acres	640	SE/4 440	240	320
of Land	All	NW/4 NW/4, S/2 N/2, SW/4, W/2 SE/4	E/2 SE/4 W/2 NE/4 E/2 SE/4	N/2
Description of Land	Section 14: All	Section 13:	Section 1: Section 12: Section 13:	Section 2: N/2
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Total number of acres eliminated 3,520

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Unit Name TALCO UNIT-EXPLORATORY

Operator AMERICAN TRADING & PRODUCTION CORPORATION
COUNTY LEA

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UNIT AREA

TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Sections 1 and 2: All Section 10: E/2 Sections 11 through 14: All Section 24: All

AUTOMATIC ELIMINATION EFFECTIVE MARCH 2, 1986

THE LANDS REMAINING IN UNIT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Township 26 South, Range 35 East

 Section 11:
 A11
 640.00 Acres

 Section 12:
 W/2
 320.00 Acres

 Section 2:
 S/2
 320.00 Acres

 1,280.00 Acres Remaining in unit

(ALL OTHER LANDS ARE NO LONGER A PART OF THIS UNIT AGREEMENT)

Unit Name TALCO UNIT-EXPLORATORY
OPERATOR AMERICAN TRADING & PRODUCTION COMPANY
County LEA

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AUTOMATIC ELIMINATION EFFECTIVE MARCH 2, 1986

NOTICE: ONLY THE S/2 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST CONTAINING 320.00 ACRES REMAINS IN THE UNIT AREA







Commissioner of Public Lands

May 3, 1985

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#6824

American Trading and Production Corporation The Atrium Centre 110 West Louisiana, Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

Re: 1985 Plan of Development

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Carl O. Brinninstool

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your 1985 Plan of Development for the Talco Unit Area, Lea County, New Mexico. Such plan proposes to study well performance and the gas market, thereby postponing the decision to drill a third Unit Well until the 1st quarter of 1986. This office also concurs with the Bureau of Land Management that automatic elimination will take place on March 2, 1986, in which all lands not in a participating area will be eliminated from the unit according to Section 2 (e) of the Unit Agreement.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

RAY D. GRAHAM, Director

Oil and Gas Division

AC 505/827-5744

JB/RDG/pm
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cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico

BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico Attn: Fluids Branch
BLM-Roswell, New Mexico Attn: Mr. Armando Lopez



#### United States Department of the Interior

#### BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT P. O. Box 1397

Roswell, New Mexico 88201

IN REPLY REFER TO: 14-08-0001-18428 3180 (060)

March 19, 1985

American Trading and Production Corporation Attention: Carl O. Brininstool The Atrium Centre 110 West Louisianna Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

> RE: 1985 Plan of Development Talco Unit Lea County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

We are in receipt of your letter dated January 31, 1985 which describes your 1985 Plan of Development for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Such plan proposing to study well performance and to postpone the decision to drill a third unit well until the 1st quarter of 1986 is approved effective as of January 1, 1985. Please be advised that automatic elimination will take place on March 2, 1986 in which all lands not in a participating area will be elminated from the unit according to Section 2(e) of the Unit Agreement.

In subsequent plans of development please provide decline curves on production for all unit wells.

Sincerely yours,

s/T. Kreager

Referred District Manager

cc:

Commissioner of Public Lands, Santa Fe NMOCD, Santa Fe NMSO, Micrographics (943B)







Commissioner of Public Lands

#6824

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American Trading and Production Corp. The Atrium Centre
110 West Louisiana, Suite 300
Midland, Texas 79701

Re: Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. Randali L. Capps

Gentlemen:

On March 5, 1984 the Commissioner of Public Lands approved your "First Revision to Initial Strawn Participating Area" covering additional lands being the S½ Section 2; W½ Section 11, and W½ Section 12, T-26S-R-35E, predicated on the final determination of Unit Well #2, located on State lease No. LG-52-1, as capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities.

This is to advise the effective date of the "First Revision to the Strawn Participating Area" is to be effective as of December 30, 1983 all royalties due from production from Well #2 prior to December 30, 1983 shall be paid to the State under lease No. LG-52-1 and royalties due on production after December 30, 1983 shall be distributed to the unit participating area.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: Jay D. Frakam

Ray D. GraMam, Director Oil and Gas Division

JB/RDG/ba

cc: Oil and Gas Accounting Division P.O. Box 2308

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Bureau of Land Management P.O. Box 1397 Roswell, New Mexico 88201 Bureau of Land Management P.O. Box 26124 Albuquerque, NM. 87728

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



#### United States Department of the Interior

# BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Roswell District Office

P.O. Box 1397
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

18428

June 6, 1984

American Trading and Production Corp. Attn: Randall L. Capps 110 West Louisiana Suite 300 Midland, Texas 79701

#### Gentlemen:

The 1st revision of the Strawn Participating Area for the Talco Unit was approved February 29, 1984, effective as of June 16, 1982. Unit well No. 2 was determined to be a paying well pursuant to section 9 of the unit agreement by all parties concerned with BLM letter dated December 30, 1983.

Therefore, this office considers a more appropriate effective date for the 1st revision of the Strawn Participating Area to be December 30, 1983, the date the well was determined to be commercial.

Sincerely yours,

'Orig. Sgd.' Earl R. Cunningham

District Manager

cc: Commission of Public Lands, Santa Fe

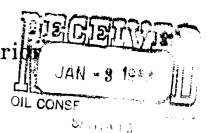


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**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** 

Roswell District Office P. O. Box 1397 Roswell, New Mexico 88201



December 30, 1983

#6824

American Trading and Production Corp.

Attn: Roy C. Gould P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Gentlemen:

Your letter of November 16, 1983 indicates that as unit operator of the <u>Talco Unit</u>. Lea County, New Mexico, you have determined that well No. 2 in the SW4 of sec. 2. T. 26 S., R. 35 E., is capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities.

This office concurs with you and the State of New Mexico that such well is capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities from the Strawn formation pursuant to section 9 of the unit agreement. You are requested, pursuant to section 11 of the unit agreement to submit a revised participating area for the Strawn formation at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

'Orig. Sgd.' Earl R. Cunningham

District Manager

cc: NMOCD, Santa Fe





JIM BACA COMMISSIONER

# Commissioner of Public Lands

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

American Trading and Production Corporation P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Commercial Determination

Talco Unit Well No. 2 Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Roy C. Gould

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your letter dated November 16, 1983, wherein as unit operator of the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico you believe that the Unit Well No. 2 is capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities.

According to the additional data submitted, this office concurs with your determination that the Well No. 2 is capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities from the Strawn formation. Our determination is subject to like concurrence by the Bureau of Land Management.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

RAY D. Graham, Director

Oil and Gas Division

AC 505/827-5744

JB/RDG/pm encls.

cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico BLM-Albuquerque, New Mexico BLM-Roswell, New Mexico







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# Commissioner of Public Lands

February 18, 1983

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

American Trading and Production Corporation P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Talco Unit Agreement

1983 Plan of Development Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Randall L. Capps

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your 1983 Plan of Development for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Such plan proposes to study the well performances and watch the gas market throughout the coming year, thereby postponing the timing to drill the third unit well for the remainder of 1983 and setting the first quarter of 1984 as a tentative drilling commencement period.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Minerals Management Service and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Please remit a Three (\$3.00) Dollar filing fee.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-5744

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ALEX J. ARMIJO **COMMISSIONER** 

Commissioner of Public Lands

P. O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, N. M. 87504-1148

December 10, 1982

American Trading and Production Corporation Post Office Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Talco Unit Agreement

Enlargement of the Initial

Participating Area Penn Strawn Formation Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Randall L. Capps

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the Enlargement of the Initial Penn Strawn Participating Area to include All of Section 11, S/2 of Section 2, S/2 of Section 1 and the W/2 of Section 12, Township 26 South, Range 35 East, Lea County, New Mexico. The Enlargement of the Initial Participating Area is predicated upon information obtained by the completion of the Talco Unit Well No. 2

Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Minerals Management Service.

Please submit a revised Exhibit "B" Schedule reflecting this change.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER



Commissioner of Public Lands

August 17, 1982

P. O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO (8750)K

American Trading and Production Corporation P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: 1982 Plan of Development

Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Randall L. Capps

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your Plan of Development for the remainder of 1982 for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Such plan proposes to study performance and reservoir characteristics of the Talco Unit Well Nos. 1 and 2.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Minerals Management Service and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed is an approved copy for your files.

Please remit a Three (\$3.00) Dollar filing fee.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Assistant Director Oil and Gas Division

AJA/FOP/pm encls.

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USMMS-Albuquerque, New Mexico
Administration







# Commissioner of Public Lands

June 23, 1982

P. O. BOX 1148

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO \$7501.

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American Trading and Production Corp. P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

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Subsequent Joinder of Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico, by

BTA Oil Producers

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ATTENTION: Mr. Arthur S. Wilson

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of two original signature copies, executed by BTA Oil Producers, of an instrument styled Ratification and Subsequent Joinder of the Talco Unit Agreement wherein BTA Oil Producers commits their 50% interest in Tract Nos. 4 and 9 of the Talco Unit.

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the above mentioned Ratification and Subsequent Joinder and Tract Nos. 4 and 9 are now considered to be fully committed. Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Minerals Management Service.

We have also received two original signature copies of an instrument styled Consent to and Ratification of Subsequent Joinder executed by 97% of the Unit Working Interest Owners, revised Exhibit "B" showing Tract No. 10 is no longer committed to the Unit and revised Exhibits "A" and "B" of the Operating Agreement reflecting the commitment by BTA Oil Producers to the unit. These instruments have been accepted and filed in our unit agreement.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: FLOYD O. PRANDO, Assistant Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-2748

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Administration
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# Commissioner of Public Lands

February 5, 1982

P. O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

American Trading and Production Corporation P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

6824

Re: Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico 1982 Plan of Development

ATTENTION: Mr. Roy C. Gould

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your 1982 Plan of Development for the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Such plan proposes to drill the # 3 Unit well in Section 12, T26S-R35E and will test the Strawn and Morrow Formations. Also, it is proposed to drill the # 4 Unit well in Section 13, T26S-R35E later on during the year depending on the results of testing the Morrow in Well # 2.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Geological Survey and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed is one approved copy for your files.

Your filing fee in the amount of Three (\$3.00) Dollars has been received.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-2748

AJA/RDG/pm encls.

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OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico USGS-Albuquerque, New Mexico







Commissioner of Public Lands January 13, 1982

P. O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

American Trading & Production Corp. P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Talco Unit Agreement Initial Participating Area Penn Strawn Formation Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Carolyn J. Goldsmith

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your Initial Participating Area for the Penn Strawn Formation in the Talco Unit Area, Lea County, New Mexico. The Initial Penn Strawn Participating Area is 640.00 acres described as All of Section 11, Township 26 South, Range 35 East and is predicated upon information obtained by the completion of the Talco Unit Well No. 1.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Geological Survey and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed is one approved copy for your files.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

FLOYD O. PRANDO, Assistant Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-2748

AJA/FOP/pm encls.

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# Commissioner of Public Lands

December 3, 1981

P. O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

6824

American Trading and Production Corp. P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Talco Unit

Commercial Determination and 1981 Amended Plan of Development

ATTENTION: Carolyn Goldsmith

Gentlemen:

This office concurs with the United States Geological Survey that the Talco Unit Well No. 1 is capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities.

We have also this date, approved your 1981 Amended Plan of Development. Such plan proposes the drilling of a Strawn well at a location 660' FSL & 1980' FWL of Section 2, Township 26 South, Range 35 East being State of New Mexico Lease No. LG-52-1.

Enclosed is one approved copy for your files.

Please remit a Three (\$3.00) Dollar filing fee at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-2748

AJA/RDG/pm encls.

cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico USGS-Albuquerque, New Mexico



ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER



Commissioner of Public Lands
September 1, 1981



P. O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

American Trading and Production Corp. P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: Talco Unit

1981 Plan of Development Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Ms. Carolyn J. Goldsmith

Gentlemen:

Your Plan of Development for the period of March 2, 1981 to March 2, 1982, has this date been approved by the Commissioner of Public Lands. Such plan proposes a pipeline connection to the Talco Unit Well No. 1 and also determine reservoir characteristics. Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Geological Survey.

Enclosed is one approved copy for your files. In the future please file three copies with this office of your plan of development, also, please remit a Three (\$3.00) Dollar filing fee at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: RAY D. GRAHAM, Director, Oil and Gas Division AC 505/827-2748

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#### GRIFFIN & BURNETT, INC.

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Oil Properties\_

Oil Conservation

KENNETH H. GRIFFIN GARY G. BURNETT 501 PETROLEUM BUILDING MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701 915 683-2705

May 1, 1980

Re: File No. 3520 TALCO UNIT

Lea County, New Mexico

CASE NO. 6824 ORDER NO. R-6296

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Energy and Minerals Department State Land Office Building Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

#### Gentlemen:

In accordance with the above styled Case and Order we enclose herewith an approved executed counterpart copy of the Unit Agreement for the Talco Unit. The execution of this agreement by the Operator and the ratification of same as reflected by the ratifications attached thereto represents a committment of 88.75% of the Unit Area as to rights to the base of the Penn Lime and 89.58% below the base of the Penn Lime.

Please let us know if any additional information is needed.

Kenneth H. Griffin

KHG/gp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim W. Wilson

#### CERTIFICATION -- DETERMINATION

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior, 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, I do hereby:

A. Approve the attached	l agreement for the development and
operation of the	Talco
Unit Area, State of	New Mexico

- 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.

ACTION Debuty Conservation Manager, Oil and Gas United States Geological Survey

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#### **NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE**

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS, STATE OF NEW MEXICO TALCO UNIT

#### LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

There having been presented to the undersigned Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico for examination, the attached Agreement for the development and operation of acreage which is described within the attached Agreement, dated March 3, 1980, which said Agreement has been executed by parties owning and holding oil and gas leases and royalty interests in and under the property described, and upon examination of said Agreement, the Commissioner finds:

- (a) That such agreement will tend to promote the conservation of oil and gas and the better utilization of reservoir energy in said area.
- (b) That under the proposed agreement, the State of New Mexico will receive its fair share of the recoverable oil or gas in place under its lands in the area.
- (c) That each beneficiary Institution of the State of New Mexico will receive its fair and equitable share of the recoverable oil and gas under its lands within the area.
- (d) That such agreement is in other respects for the best interests of the state, with respect to state lands.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me under Sections 7-11-39, 7-11-40, 7-11-41, 7-11-47, and 7-11-48, New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1953 Compilation, I, the undersigned Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, do hereby consent to and approve the said Agreement, however, such consent and approval being limited and restricted to such lands within the Unit Area, which are effectively committed to the Unit Agreement as of this date, and, further, that leases insofar as the lands covered thereby committed to this Unit Agreement shall be and the same are hereby amended to conform with the terms of such Unit Agreement, and said leases shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms and conditions of said Agreement. This approval is subject to all of the provisions and requirements of the aforesaid statutes.

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COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS of the State of New Mexico

#### UNIT AGREEMENT

#### TALCO UNIT AREA

#### LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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1	UNIT AGREFIENT
2	FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION
3	OF THE
4	TALCO UNIT AREA
5	COUNTY OF LEA
6	STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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8	THIS AGREEMENT entered into as of the 3rd day of March,
9	1980 by and between the parties subscribing, ratifying or consenting hereto,
10	and herein referred to as the "parties hereto".
11	WITNESSETH:
12	WHEREAS, the parties hereto are the owners of working, royalty, or
13	other oil and gas interests in the unit area subject to this agreement; and
14	WHEREAS, the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, 41 Stat. 437, as
15	amended, 30 U.S.C. Secs. 181 et seq., authorizes Federal lessees and their
16	representatives to unite with each other, or jointly or separately with
17	others, in collectively adopting and operating a cooperative or unit plan
18	of development or operations of any oil or gas pool, field, or like area, or
19	any part thereof for the purpose of more properly conserving the natural
20	resources thereof whenever determined and certified by the Secretary of
21	the Interior to be necessary or advisable in the public interest; and
22	WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico
23	is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Sec. 19-10-45 NM Statutes 1978
24	Annotated) to consent to or approve this agreement on behalf of the State
25	of New Mexico, insofar as it covers and includes lands and mineral interests
26	of the State of New Mexico; and
27	WHEREAS, the Oil Conservation Division of the Energy and Minerals Department
28	of the State of New Mexico is authorized by an Act of the Legislature (Article 3,
29	Chapter 65, Vol. 9, Part 2,1953 Statutes) to approve this agreement and the conserva-
30	tion provisions hereof; and
31	WIEREAS, the parties hereto hold sufficient interests in the Talco
32	Unit Area covering the land hereinafter described to give reasonably effective
<b>3</b> 3	control of operations therein; and

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WIEREAS, it is the purpose of the parties hereto to conserve natural resources, prevent waste, and secure other benefits obtainable through development and operation of the area subject to this agreement under the terms, conditions and limitations herein set forth;

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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the promises herein contained, the parties hereto commit to this agreement their respective interests in the below-defined unit area, and agree severally among themselves as follows:

- 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 of 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 4,800 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", or when requested by the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as "Commissioner", and not less than five copies of the

revised exhibits shall be filed with the Supervisor, and two copies thereof shall be filed with the Commissioner, and one copy with the Oil Conservation Division of the Energy and Minerals Department of the State of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as "Division".

The above-described unit area shall when practicable be expanded to include therein any additional lands or shall be contracted to exclude lands whenever such expansion or contraction is deemed to be necessary or advisable to conform with the purposes of this agreement. Such expansion or contraction shall be effected in the following manner:

- a) Unit Operator, on its own motion or on demand of the Director of the Geological Survey, hereinafter referred to as "Director", or on demand of the Commissioner, after preliminary concurrence by the Director and the Commissioner, shall prepare a notice of proposed expansion or contraction describing the contemplated changes in the boundaries of the unit area, the reasons therefor, and the proposed effective date thereof, preferably the first day of a month subsequent to the date of notice.
- b) Said notice shall be delivered to the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the Division and copies thereof mailed to the last known address of each working interest owner, lessee, and lessor whose interests are affected, advising that 30 days will be allowed for submission to the Unit Operator of any objections.
- c) Upon expiration of the 30-day period provided in the preceding item (b) hereof, Unit Operator shall file with the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the Division evidence of mailing of the notice of expansion or contraction and a copy of any objections thereto which have been filed with the Unit Operator, together with an application in sufficient number, for approval of such expansion or contraction and with appropriate joinders.
- d) After due consideration of all pertinent information, the expansion or contraction shall, upon approval by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the Division, become effective as of the date prescribed in the notice thereof.
- e) All legal subdivisions of lands (i.e., 40 acres by Government survey or its nearest lot or tract equivalent; in instances of irregular

surveys unusually large lots or tracts shall be considered in multiples of 40 acres or the nearest aliquot equivalent thereof), no parts of which are entitled to be in a participating area on or before the fifth anniversary of the effective date of the first initial participating area established under this unit agreement, shall be eliminated automatically from this agreement, effective as of said fifth anniversary, and such lands shall no longer be a part of the unit area and shall no longer be subject to this agreement, unless diligent drilling operations are in progress on unitized lands not entitled to participation on said fifth anniversary, in which event all such lands shall remain subject hereto so long as such drilling operations are continued diligently with not more than 90 days' time elapsing between the completion of one well and the commencement of the next well. All legal subdivisions of lands not entitled to be in a participating area within 10 years after the effective date of the first initial participating area approved under this agreement shall be automatically eliminated from this agreement as of said tenth anniversary. All lands proved productive by diligent drilling operations after the aforesaid 5-year period shall become participating in the same manner as during said 5-year period. However, when such diligent drilling operations cease, all nonparticipating lands shall be automatically eliminated effective as of the 91st day thereafter. The Unit Operator shall, within 90 days after the effective date of any elimination hereunder, describe the area so eliminated to the satisfaction of the Supervisor and the Commissioner, and promptly notify all parties in interest.

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If conditions warrant extension of the 10-year period specified in this subsection 2(e), a single extension of not to exceed 2 years may be accomplished by consent of the owners of 90% of the working interests in the current nonparticipating unitized lands and the owners of 60% of the basic royalty interests (exclusive of the basic royalty interests of the United States) in nonparticipating unitized lands with approval of the Director and Commissioner, provided such extension application is submitted to the Director and Commissioner not later than 60 days prior to the expiration of said ten-year period.

Any expansion of the unit area pursuant to this section which embraces lands theretofore eliminated pursuant to this subsection 2(e) shall not be considered automatic commitment or recommitment of such lands.

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- 3. UNITIZED IANDS AND UNITIZED SUBSTANCES. All lands 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".
- 4. UNIT OPERATOR. AMERICAN TRADING AND PRODUCTION CORPORATION 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.
- 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, the Commissioner and the Division, and until all wells then drilled here—under are placed in a satisfactory condition for suspension or abandonment whichever is required by the Supervisor as to Federal lands and by the Commissioner as to State lands, 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 performance of the duties of Unit Operator, and shall, not later than 30 days before such resignation or removal becomes effective, appoint a common agent to represent them in any action to be taken hereunder.

The resignation of Unit Operator shall not release Unit Operator from any liability for any default by it hereunder occurring prior to the effective date of its resignation.

The Unit Operator may, upon default or failure in the performance of its duties or obligations hereunder, be subject to removal by the same percentage vote of the owners of working interests as herein provided for the selection of a new Unit Operator. Such removal shall be effective upon notice thereof to the Supervisor and the Commissioner.

The resignation or removal of Unit Operator under this agreement shall not terminate its right, title or interest as the owner of a working interest or other interest in unitized substances, but upon the resignation or removal of Unit Operator becoming effective, such Unit Operator shall deliver possession of all wells, equipment, materials and appurtenances used in conducting the unit operations to the new duly qualified successor Unit Operator or to the common agent, if no such new Unit Operator is elected, to be used for the purpose of conducting unit operations hereunder. Nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing removal of any material, equipment and appurtenances needed for the preservation of any wells.

6. SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR. Whenever the Unit Operator shall tender his or its resignation as Unit Operator or shall be removed as hereinabove provided, or a change of Unit Operator is negotiated by working interest owners, the owners of the working interests in the participating area or areas according to their respective acreage interests in such participating area or areas, or, until a participating area shall have been established, the owners of the working interests according to their respective acreage interests in all unitized land, shall by majority vote select a successor Unit Operator: Provided, That, if a majority but less than 75 per cent of

the working interests qualified to vote are owned by one party to this agreement, a concurring vote of one or more additional working interest owners shall be required to select a new operator. Such selection shall not become effective until

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- 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 and the Commissioner.

If no successor Unit Operator is selected and qualified as herein provided, the Director and Commissioner at their 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 interest, 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 and two true copies with the Commissioner and one true copy with the Division, prior to approval of this unit agreement.

- 3. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF UNIT OPERATOR. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the exclusive right, privilege, and duty of exercising any and all rights of the parties hereto which are necessary or convenient for prospecting for, producing, storing, allocating, and distributing the unitized substances are hereby delegated to and shall be exercised by the Unit Operator as herein provided. Acceptable evidence of title to said rights shall be deposited with said Unit Operator and, together with this agreement, shall constitute and define the rights, privileges, and obligations of Unit Operator. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed to transfer title to any land or to any lease or operating agreement, it being understood that under this agreement the Unit Operator, in its capacity as Unit Operator, shall exercise the rights of possession and use vested in the parties hereto only for the purposes herein specified.
- 9. DRILLING TO DISCOVERY. Within 6 months after the effective date hereof, the Unit Operator shall begin to drill an adequate test well at a location approved by the Supervisor, if on Federal land, or by the Commissioner if on State land, unless on such effective date a well is being drilled conformably with the terms hereof, and thereafter continue such drilling diligently until the Morrow formation has been tested or until at a lesser depth unitized substances shall be discovered which can be produced in paying quantities (to-wit: quantities sufficient to repay the costs of drilling, completing, and producing operations, with a reasonable profit) or the Unit Operator shall at any time establish to the satisfaction of the Supervisor if located on Federal lands, or the Commissioner if located on State lands, that further drilling of said well would be unwarranted or impracticable, provided, however, that unit Operator shall not in any event be required to drill said well to a depth in excess of 16,400 feet. Until the discovery of a deposit of unitized substances capable of being produced in paying quantities, the Unit Operator shall continue drilling one well at a time, allowing not more than 6 months between the completion of one well and the beginning of the next

well, until a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities is completed to the satisfaction of said Supervisor if on Federal land, or the Commissioner if on State land, or until it is reasonably proved that the unitized land is incapable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in the formations drilled hereunder. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit the right of the Unit Operator to resign as provided in Section 5 hereof, or as requiring Unit Operator to commence or continue any drilling during the period pending such resignation becoming effective in order to comply with the requirements of this section. The Supervisor and Commissioner may modify the drilling requirements of this section by granting reasonable extensions of time when, in their opinion, such action is warranted. Upon failure to commence any well provided for in this section within the time allowed, including any extension of time granted by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, this agreement will automatically terminate; upon failure to continue drilling diligently any well commenced hereunder, the Supervisor and Commissioner may, after 15 days notice to the Unit Operator, declare this unit agreement terminated.

10. PLAN OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION. Within 6 months after completion of a well capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantites, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the Commissioner an acceptable plan of development and operation for the unitized land which, when approved by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, shall constitute the further drilling and operating obligations of the Unit Operator under this agreement for the period specified therein. Thereafter, from time to time before the expiration of any existing plan, the Unit Operator shall submit for the approval of the Supervisor and the Commissioner a plan for an additional specified period for the development and operation of the unitized land.

Any plan submitted pursuant to this section shall provide for the exploration of the Unitized area and for the diligent drilling necessary for determination of the area or areas thereof capable of producing unitized substances in paying quantities in each and every productive formation and

shall be as complete and adequate as the Supervisor, the Commissioner and Division may determine to be necessary for timely development and proper conservation of the oil and gas resources of the unitized area and shall:

- a) specify the number and locations of any wells to be drilled and the proposed order and time for such drilling; and
- b) to the extent practicable, specify the operating practices regarded as necessary and advisable for proper conservation of natural resources.

Separate plans may be submitted for separate productive zones, subject to the approval of the Supervisor, the Commissioner and the Division.

Plans shall be modified or supplemented when necessary to meet changed conditions or to protect the interests of all parties to this agreement. Reasonable diligence shall be exercised in complying with the obligations of the approved plan of development. The Supervisor and Commissioner are authorized to grant a reasonable extension of the 6-month period herein prescribed for submission of an initial plan of development where such action is justified because of unusual conditions or circumstances. After completion hereunder of a well capable of producing any unitized substances in paying quantities, no further wells, except such as may be necessary to afford protection against operations not under this agreement and such as may be specifically approved by the Supervisor and the Commissioner, shall be drilled except in accordance with a plan of development approved as herein provided.

of producing unitized substances in paying quantities or as soon thereafter as required by the Supervisor and Commissioner, the Unit Operator shall submit for approval by the Supervisor and Commissioner a schedule, based on subdivisions of the public land survey or aliquot parts thereof, of all land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities; all lands in said schedule on approval of the Supervisor and Commissioner to constitute a participating area, effective as of the date of completion of such well or the effective date of this unit agreement, whichever is later.

The acreages of both Federal and non-Federal lands shall be based upon appropriate computations from the courses and distances shown on the last approved public land survey as of the effective date of each initial participating area. Said schedule shall also set forth the percentage of unitized substances to be allocated as herein provided to each tract in the participating area so established, and shall govern the allocation of production commencing with the effective date of the participating area. A separate participating area shall be established for each separate pool or deposit of unitized substances or for any group thereof which is produced as a single pool or zone, and any two or more participating areas so established may be combined into one, on approval of the Supervisor and Commissioner. When production from two or more participating areas, so established, is subsequently found to be from a common pool or deposit said participating areas shall be combined into one effective as of such appropriate date as may be approved or prescribed by the Supervisor and Commissioner. The participating area or areas so established shall be revised from time to time, subject to like approval, to include additional land then regarded as reasonably proved to be productive in paying quantities or necessary for unit operations, or to exclude land then regarded as reasonably proved not to be productive in paying quantities and the schedule of allocation percentages shall be revised accordingly. The effective date of any revision shall be the first day of the month in which is obtained the knowledge or information on which such revision is predicated, provided, however, that a more appropriate effective date may be used if justified by the Unit Operator and approved by the Supervisor and Commissioner. No land shall be excluded from a participating area on account of depletion of the unitized substances, except that any participating area established under the provisions of this unit agreement shall terminate automatically whenever all completions in the formation on which the participating area is based are abandoned.

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It is the intent of this section that a participating area shall represent the area known or reasonably estimated to be productive in paying quantities, but, regardless of any revision of the participating area, nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring any retroactive adjustment for

production obtained prior to the effective date of the revision of the participating area.

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In the absence of agreement at any time between the Unit Operator and the Supervisor and Commissioner as to the proper definition or redefinition of a participating area, or until a participating area has, or areas have, been established as provided herein, the portion of all payments affected thereby shall be impounded in a manner mutually acceptable to the owners of working interests and the Supervisor and Commissioner. Royalties due the United States and the State of New Mexico, which shall be determined by the Supervisor for Federal land and the Commissioner for State land and the amount thereof shall be deposited, as directed by the Supervisor and Commissioner respectively, to be held as unearned money until a participating area is finally approved and then applied as carned or returned in accordance with a determination of the sum due as Federal and State royalty on the basis of such approved participating area.

Whenever, it is determined, subject to the approval of the Supervisor as to wells drilled on Federal land and of the Commissioner as to wells drilled on State land, that a well drilled under this agreement is not capable of production in paying quantities and inclusion of the land on which it is situated in a participating area is unwarranted, production from such well shall, for the purposes of settlement among all parties other than working interest owners, be allocated to the land on which the well is located unless such land is already within the participating area established for the pool or deposit from which such production is obtained. Settlement for working interest benefits from such a well shall be made as provided in the unit operating agreement.

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 and Commissioner, 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.

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

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 as to Federal land or the Commissioner as to State land, at such party's sole risk, cost and expense, drill a well to test any formation for which a participating area has not been established or to test any formation for which a participating area has been established if such location is not within said participating area, unless within 90 days of receipt of notice from said party of his intention to drill the well the Unit Operator elects and commences to drill such a well in like manner as other wells are drilled by the Unit Operator under this agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner results

in production such that the land upon which it is situated may properly be included in a participating area, such participating area shall be established or enlarged as provided in this agreement and the well shall thereafter be operated by the Unit Operator in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the unit operating agreement.

If any well drilled as aforesaid by a working interest owner obtains production in quantities insufficient to justify the inclusion of the land upon which such well is situated in a participating area, such well may be operated and produced by the party drilling the same subject to the conservation requirements of this agreement. The royalties in amount or value of production from any such well shall be paid as specificied in the underlying lease and agreements affected.

14. ROYALTY SETTLEMENT. The United States and any State and any royalty owner who is entitled to take in kind a share of the substances now unitized hereunder shall hereafter be entitled to the right to take in kind its share of the unitized substances, and the Unit Operator, or the working interest owner in case of the operation of a well by a working interest owner as herein provided for in special cases, shall make deliveries of such royalty share taken in kind in conformity with the applicable contracts, laws and regulations. Settlement for royalty interest not taken in kind shall be made by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws and regulations, or by the Unit Operator, on or before the last day of each month for unitized substances produced during the preceding calendar month; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any royalties due under their leases.

If gas obtained from lands not subject to this agreement is introduced into any participating area hereunder, for use in repressuring, stimulation of production, or increasing ultimate recovery, in conformity with a plan of operations approved by the Supervisor, the Commissioner, and Division, a like amount of gas, after settlement as herein provided for any gas transferred from any other participating area and with appropriate deduction for loss from any cause, may be withdrawn from the formation in which the gas is introduced,

royalty free as to dry gas, but not as to any products which may be extracted therefrom; provided that such withdrawal shall be at such time as may be provided in the approved plan of operations or as may otherwise be consented to by the Supervisor, the Commissioner and Division as conforming to good petroleum engineering practice; and provided further, that such right of withdrawal shall terminate on the termination of this unit agreement.

Royalty due the United States shall be computed as provided in the operating regulations and paid in value or delivered in kind as to all unitized substances on the basis of the amounts thereof allocated to unitized Federal land as provided herein at the rate specified in the respective Federal leases, or at such lower rate or rates as may be authorized by law or regulation; provided, that for leases on which the royalty rate depends on the daily average production per well, said average production shall be determined in accordance with the operating regulations as though each participating area were a single consolidated lease.

Royalty due on account of State lands shall be computed and paid on the basis of all unitized substances allocated to such lands.

15. RENTAL SETTLEMENT. Rental or minimum royalties due on leases committed hereto shall be paid by working interest owners responsible therefor under existing contracts, laws and regulations, provided that nothing herein contained shall operate to relieve the lessees of any land from their respective lease obligations for the payment of any rental or minimum royalty due under their leases. Rental or minimum royalty for lands of the United States subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rate specified in the respective leases from the United States unless such rental or minimum royalty is waived, suspended or reduced by law or by approval of the Secretary or his duly authorized representative.

Rentals on State of New Mexico lands subject to this agreement shall be paid at the rates specified in the respective leases.

With respect to any lease on non-Federal land containing provisions which would terminate such lease unless drilling operations are commenced upon the land covered thereby within the time therein specified or rentals are paid for the privilege of deferring such drilling operations, the rentals required

thereby shall, notwithstanding any other provisions of this agreement, be deemed to accrue and become payable during the term thereof as extended by this agreement and until the required drilling operations are commenced upon the land covered thereby or until some portion of such land is included within a participating area.

- 16. CONSERVATION. Operations hereunder and production of unitized substances shall be conducted to provide for the most economical and efficient recovery of said substances without waste, as defined by or pursuant to State or Federal laws or regulations.
- 17. DRAINAGE. The Unit Operator shall take such measures as the Supervisor and Commissioner deem appropriate and adequate to prevent drainage of unitized substances from unitized land by wells on land not subject to this agreement.
- 18. LEASES AND CONTRACTS CONFORMED AND EXTENDED. The terms, conditions and provisions of all leases, subleases and other contracts relating to exploration, drilling, development or operations for oil or gas on lands committed to this agreement are hereby expressly modified and amended to the extent necessary to make the same conform to the provisions hereof, but otherwise to remain in full force and effect; and the parties hereto hereby consent that the Secretary as to Federal leases and the Commissioner as to State leases shall and each by his approval hereof, or by the approval hereof by their duly authorized representatives, do hereby establish, alter, change or revoke the drilling, producing, rental, minimum royalty and royalty requirements of Federal and State leases committed hereto and the regulations in respect thereto to conform said requirements to the provisions of this agreement, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all leases, subleases, and contracts are particularly modified in accordance with the following:
  - a) The development and operation of lands subject to this agreement under the terms hereof shall be deemed full performance of all obligations for development and operation with respect to each and every separately owned tract subject to this agreement, regardless of whether there is any development of any particular tract of the unit area.

(b) Drilling and producing operations performed hereunder upon any tract of unitized land will be accepted and deemed to be performed upon and for the benefit of each and every tract of unitized land, and no lease shall be deemed to expire by reason of failure to drill or produce wells situated on the land therein embraced. (c) Suspension of drilling or producing operations on all unitized lands pursuant to direction or consent of the Secretary and Commissioner or their duly authorized representatives shall be deemed to constitute such suspension pursuant to such direction or consent as to each and every tract of unitized land. A suspension of drilling or producing operations limited to specified lands shall be applicable only to such lands.

(d) Each lease, sublease or contract relating to the exploration, drilling, development or operation for oil or gas of lands other than those of the United States or State of New Mexico committed to this agreement, which, by its terms might expire prior to the termination of this agreement, 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 this agreement.

(e) Any Federal lease for a fixed term of twenty (20) years or any renewal thereof or any part of such lease which is made subject to this agreement shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein until the termination hereof. Any other Federal lease committed hereto shall continue in force beyond the term so provided therein or by law as to the land committed so long as such lease remains subject hereto, provided that production is had in paying quantities under this unit agreement prior to the expiration date of the term of such lease, or in the event actual drilling operations are commenced on unitized lands, in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, prior to the end of the primary term of such lease and are being diligently prosecuted at that time, such lease shall be extended for two years and so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Leasing Act Revision of 1960.

(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.

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- (g) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico which is made subject to this agreement, shall continue in force beyond the term provided therein as to the lands committed hereto until the termination hereof, subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of Section 2 and subsection (i) of this Section 18.
- (h) The segregation of any Federal lease committed to this agreement is governed by the following provisions 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."
  - (i) Any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico 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; provided, however, notwithstanding any of the provisions of this agreement to the contrary any lease embracing lands of the State of New Mexico having only a portion of its lands committed hereto shall continue in full force and effect beyond the term provided therein as to all lands embraced in such lease, if oil or gas is discovered and is capable of being produced in paying quantities from some part of the lands embraced in such lease at the expiration of the secondary term of such lease; or if, at the expiration of the secondary term, the lessee or Unit Operator is then engaged in

bona fide drilling or reworking operations on some part of the lands . 1 2 embraced in such lease, the same, as to all lands embraced therein, 3 shall remain in full force and effect so long as such operations 4 are being diligently prosecuted, and if they result in the production of oil or gas, said lease shall continue in full force and effect as to 5 6 all of the lands embraced therein, so long thereafter as oil or gas 7 in paying quantities is being produced from any portion of said lands. (i) Any lease, other than a Federal lease, having only a portion of 8 9 its lands committed hereto shall be segregated as to the portion com-10 mitted and the portion not committed, and the provisions of such lease 11 shall apply separately to such segregated portions commencing as of

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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.

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

- 20. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM. This agreement shall become effective upon approval by the Secretary and Commissioner, or their duly authorized representatives and shall terminate five (5) years from said effective date unless:
  - (a) such date of expiration is extended by the Director and Commissioner, 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 and the Commissioner, or

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(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 as to federal lands and are being produced as to state lands 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 and Commissioner; 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 hereby 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 statewide 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 prupose 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; provided, further, that no such alteration or modification shall be effective as to any land of the State of New Mexico, as to the rate of prospecting and developing in the absence of the specific written approval thereof by the Commissioner and as to any lands of the State of New Mexico subject to this agreement as to the quantity and rate of production in the absence of specific written approval thereof by the Division.

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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. CONFLICT OF SUPERVISION. Neither the Unit Operator nor the working interest owners nor any of them shall be subject to any forfeiture, termination or expiration of any rights hereunder or under any leases or contracts subject hereto, or to any penalty or liability on account of delay or failure in whole or in part to comply with any applicable provision thereof to the extent that the Unit Operator, working interest owners or any of them are hindered, delayed or prevented from complying therewith by reason of failure of the Unit Operator to obtain in the exercise of due diligence, the concurrence of proper representatives of the United States and proper representatives of the State of New Mexico in and about any matters or things concerning which it is required herein that such concurrence be obtained. The parties hereto, including the Division , agree that all powers and authority vested in the Division in and by any provisions of this agreement are vested in the Division and shall be exercised by it pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of New Mexico and subject in any case to appeal or judicial review as may now or hereafter be provided by the laws of the State of New Mexico.
- 23. 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, the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of New Mexico and the Oil Conservation Division of the

Energy and Minerals Department of the State of New Mexico and to appeal from orders issued under the regulations of said Department, the Division or Commissioner or to apply for relief from any of said regulations or in any proceedings relative to operations before the Department of the Interior, the Commissioner, or Division, 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.

24. 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.

25. NO WAIVER OF CERTAIN RIGHTS. Nothing in this agreement contained shall be construed as a waiver by any party hereto of the right to assert any legal or constitutional right or defense as to the validity or invalidity of any law of the State wherein said unitized lands are located, or of the United States, or regulations issued thereunder in any way affecting such party, or as a waiver by any such party of any right beyond his or its authority to waive.

26. UNAVOIDABLE DELAY. All obligations under this agreement requiring the Unit Operator to commence or continue drilling or to operate on or produce unitized substances from any of the lands covered by this agreement shall be suspended while the Unit Operator, despite the exercise of due care and diligence, is prevented from complying with such obligations, in whole or in part, by strikes, acts of God, Federal, State or municipal law or agencies, unavoidable accidents, uncontrollable delays in transportation, inability to obtain necessary materials in open market, or other matters beyond the reasonable control of the Unit Operator whether similar to matters herein enumerated or not. No unit obligation which is suspended under this section shall become due less than thirty (30) days after it has been determined that

the suspension is no longer applicable. Determination of creditable 'Unavoidable Delay' time shall be made by the Unit Operator subject to approval of the Supervisor and Commissioner.

- 27. NONDISCRIMINATION. In connection with the performance of work under this agreement, the operator agrees to comply with all of the provisions of section 202 (1) to (7) inclusive of Executive Order 11246 (30 F. R. 12319), as amended, which are hereby incorporated by reference in this agreement.
- 28. LOSS OF TITLE. In the event title to any tract of unitized land shall fail and the true owner cannot be induced to join in this unit agreement, such tract shall be automatically regarded as not committed hereto and there shall be such readjustment of future costs and benefits as may be required on account of the loss of such title. In the event of a dispute as to title to any royalty, working interest or other interests subject thereto, payment or delivery on account thereof may be withheld without liability for interest until the dispute is finally settled; provided, that, as to Federal and State land or leases, no payments of funds due the United States or State of New Mexico should be withheld, but such funds of the United States shall be deposited as directed by the Supervisor and such funds of the State of New Mexico shall be deposited as directed by the Commissioner to be held as unearned money pending final settlement of the title dispute, and then applied as earned or returned in accordance with such final settlement.

Unit Operator as such is relieved from any responsibility for any defect or failure of any title hereunder.

29. NON-JOINDER AND SUBSEQUENT JOINDER. If the owner of any substantial interest in a tract within the unit area fails or refuses to subscribe or consent to this agreement, the owner of the working interest in that tract may withdraw said tract from this agreement by written notice delivered to the Supervisor and the Commissioner and the Unit Operator prior to the approval of this agreement by the Supervisor and Commissioner. Any oil or gas interests in lands within the unit area not committed hereto prior to submission of this agreement for final approval may thereafter be committed hereto by the owner or owners thereof subscribing or consenting

to this agreement, and, if the interest is a working interest, by the owner of such interest also subscribing to the unit operating agreement. After operations are commenced hereunder, the right of subsequent joinder, as provided in this section, by a working interest owner is subject to such requirements or approvals, if any, pertaining to such joinder, as may be provided for in the unit operating agreement. After final approval hereof, joinder by a non-working interest owner must be consented to in writing by the working interest owner committed hereto and responsible for the payment of any benefits that may accrue hereunder in behalf of such non-working interest. A non-working interest may not be committed to this unit agreement unless the corresponding working interest is committed hereto. Joinder to the unit agreement by a working interest owner, at any time, must be accompanied by appropriate joinder to the unit operating agreement, if more than one committed working interest owner is involved, in order for the interest to be regarded as committed to this unit agreement. Except as may otherwise herein be provided, subsequent joinders to this agreement shall be effective as of the first day of the month following the filing with the Supervisor and the Commissioner of duly executed counterparts of all or any papers necessary to establish effective commitment of any tract to this agreement unless objection to such joinder is duly made within 60 days by the Supervisor, provided, however, that as to State lands all subsequent joinders must be approved by the Commissioner.

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30. COUNTERPARTS. This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts no one of which needs to be executed by all parties or may be ratified or consented to by separate instrument in writing specifically referring hereto and shall be binding upon all those parties who have executed such a counterpart, ratification, or consent hereto with the same force and effect as if all such parties had signed the same document and regardless of whether or not it is executed by all other parties owning or claiming an interest in the lands within the above described unit area.

2 the parties hereto is that of independent contractors and nothing in this 3 agreement contained, expressed or implied, nor any operations conducted 4 hereunder, shall create or be deemed to have created a partnership or 5 association between the parties hereto or any of them. 6 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed and have set opposite their respective names the date of 8 execution. UNIT OPERATOR AND WORKING INTEREST OWNER AMERICAN TRADING AND PRODUCTION CORPORATION ATTEST: RY: E. R. Kemp Oil and Gas Division ADDRESS: P. O. Drawer 992 Midland, Texas 79702 WORKING INTEREST OWNERS ATTEST: DATE: ADDRESS: THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MIDLAND Ĭ The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 19th day of , 1980 , by E. R. Kemp ,Vice-President, Oil and Gas Division, of AMERICAN TRADING AND PRODUCTION CORPORATION on behalf of said corporation. County, My Commission Expires: 5-16-80

31. NO PARTNERSHIP. It is expressly agreed that the relation of

#### RATIFICATION - TALCO UNIT

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT:

opposite the undersigned's signature.

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WHEREAS, certain instruments entitled UNIT AGREEMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE TALCO UNIT, Lea County, New Mexico, and UNIT OPERATING AGREEMENT, TALCO UNIT, Lea County, New Mexico, have been executed as of the 3rd day of March, 1980, by various persons conducting operations with respect to the Talco Unit Area, located in Lea County, New Mexico, as more particularly described in said Agreements; and

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WILLIAM K. YOUNG Date: Address: 750 West 5th Street Fort Worth, Texas 76100 estance B. James B. YOUNG Spouse) THE STATE OF COUNTY OF The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, a corporation, on behalf of said corporation. Notary Public in and for County, My Commission Expires: THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TARRANT The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this The day of and 19 80 , by WILLIAM K. YOUNG and wife, CONSTANCE B. YOUNG

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#### RATIFICATION - TALCO UNIT

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Date: Opil 18, 1980	DAVID FASKEN
	Address: 608 First National Bank Building
	Midland, Texas 79701
	BARBARA FASKEN (spouse)
THE STATE OF	
COUNTY OF	
on behalf of said corporation.	Notary Public in and for County,
My Commission Expires:	
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA I	
City and COUNTY OF San Francisco I	
The foregoing instrument was acknowled 19 30, by DAVID FASKEN and wife, BARBARA	day of April day of April
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My Commission Expires:	California
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#### RATIFICATION - TALCO UNIT

#### LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Date: 4-980		2-4-2h-
		BEN J. FORTSON
		Address: 3000 Fort Worth National Bank Bldg. Fort Worth, Texas 76102
		KAY CARTER FORTSON (spouse)
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The foregoing in 19 , by on behalf of said cor	poration.	acknowledged before me thisday of, a corporation,  Notary Public in and for
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My Commission Expires	:: -	
THE STATE OF TEXAS	Ĭ	
COUNTY OF TARRANT	I	
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has opposite the undersigned's signature.	executed this instrument on the date set forth
Date: 4511 3, 1980	D. T. HOWELL, Regional Manager
	Address: 1001 Petroleum Building
	Midland, Texas 79701
THE STATE OF TEXAS	
COUNTY OF MIDLAND	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledge 1980, by D.T.HOWELL, Regional Manager of K on behalf of said corporation.	ged before me this Juday of April, Renal OIL & GAS, INC., a corporation, Accorporation, Notary Public in and for Midland County, Texas
My Commission Expires:	
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this instrument on the date set forth opposite the undersigned's signature. AMINOIL USA, INC Date: April 21, 1980 BY: BILL W. JOHNSON, Contract Agent Address: 600 Western United Life Building Midland, Texas 79701 THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MIDLAND Ĭ The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2/st day of Open , a corporation, 1980 , by BILL W. JOHNSON, Contract Agent for Aminoil USA, Inc. on behalf of said corporation. My Commission Expires: 7-13-81 THE STATE OF COUNTY OF The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for My Commission Expires: County,\_\_\_\_

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Notary Public in and for Harris County, My Commission Expires: SHIRLEY B. BARNES Notary Public in Harris County, Texas My Commission Expires 11 - 2 - 81 THE STATE OF COUNTY OF The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for My Commission Expires: County,\_\_\_\_

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES //- 36-19 & Q Expires: 11-30-80 THE STATE OF COUNTY OF Ĭ The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of 19\_\_\_\_, hy\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for My Commission Expires: County,

EXHIBIT "A" TALCO UNIT LEA COUNTY, N.M.

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EXHIBIT "B"

ÍALCO UNIT AREA

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LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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EXHIBIT "B"

# TALCO UNIT AREA

TRACT NO.	DESCRIPTION LAND	0F	NUMBER OF ACRES	SERIAL NO. & EXP. DATE OF LEASES (NEW MEXICO SERIALS)	BASIC OWNERSHIP	ROYALTY PERCENTAGE	LESSEE OF RECORD	OVERRIDING ROYALTY OWNERSHIP AND PERCENTAGE	WORKING INTEREST AND PERCENTAGE	ITEREST AGE
9	Section 24:W/2	:W/2 NE/4	80	NM-23308 12-31-84	USA	12.5	Exxon Corporation	James & Colleen Pickett:	To Base of Exxon: 5% BTA: Below Base Exxon:	Fenn.Lime: 50% 50% of Penn.Lime 100%
7	Section 12	Section 12:SE/4 SE/4	04	NM-23309 10-31-84	USA	12.5	American Trading and Production Corporation	Howell and Mary Nan Spear: David N. Grimes	Atapco: 5% 1%	A11 (1)
ω	Section 14:All	:All	049	NM-29740 2-28-82	USA	12.5	Union Oil Company of California	Harold B. & Elizabeth Ehrlich: \$750/ac.P.P out of 5%	Union: P.P. 5%	A11
Q	Section 13	Section 13:NW/4 NW/4, S/2 N/2, SW/4 & W/2 SE/4	044	NM-29741 6-30-82	USA	12.5	American Trading and Production Corporation: 50% BTA 0il Producers : 50%	John M. & Carol Beard: David N.Grimes:	Atapco: 5% BTA : 1%	50% (1) <b>50</b> %
10	Section 1 Section 12 Section 13	1: E/2 SE/4 12: W/2 NE/4 13: E/2 SE/4	240	NM-29745 12-31-84	USA	12.5	Exxon Corporation	James & Colleen Pickett:	Exxon:	A 11
	10 Federal	Tracts -	4,160 acres,	being 86.667% of Unit /	Area					
Ξ	Section 2	2:All	049	LG-52-1 4-1-82	State	12.5	Union Oil Company of California	William O.DeWitt, Jr. Individually & as Trustee I,& wife, Katharine Dewitt: 12.5%	Un i on : 5%	A11
	} State Tr	Tract - 640 ac	acres, being	13.33% of Unit Area.						
.OTAL:	11 Tracts	- 4,800 acres	es in entire	. Unit Area.						•

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OWNER	PERCENT
American Trading and Production Corporation	35.00000
William K. Young	8.33333
Frank G. Young	8.33333
Young Oil Company	8.33334
David Fasken	20.00000
Ben J. Fortson	10.00000
Tipperary Oil and Gas Corporation	10.00000

Operator \_\_\_ County Unit Name AMERICAN TRADING & PRODUCTION CORPORATION TALCO UNIT-EXPLORATORY

DATE OCC CASE NO. 6824 EFF APPROVED OCC ORDER NO. R-6296 I
6824 EFFECTIVE R-6296 DATE

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Commission 3-19-80	OCC CASE NO. < 6824 OCC ORDER NO. R-6296
	R-6296
4-29-80	EFFECTIVE DATE
4,800.00	TOTAL ACREAGE STA
640.00	STATE

4,160.00

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Yes

5 yrs.

FEDERAL

INDIAN-FEE

SEGREGATION CLAUSE

TERM

Section 10: E/2
Sections 11 through 14: All
Section 24:

TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST, NMPM Sections 1 and 2: All

UNIT AREA

L CONS RVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

Unit Name TALCO UNIT-EXPLORATORY
Operator AMERICAN TRADING & PRODUCTION COMPANY
County IEA

11	STATE TRACT NO.
LG-52-1	LEASE NO.
c.s.	INSTI- TUTION
2	SEC.
268	SEC. TWP. RGE.
35E	RGE.
A11	SUBSECTION
4-23-80	RATIFIED DATE
640.00	ACRES
	ACREAGE NOT RATIFIED
Union Oil Company of C	LESSEE

## State of New Mexico







Commissioner of Public Lands
April 28, 1980

P. O. BOX 1148
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

1824

Griffin & Burnett, Inc. 501 Petroleum Building Midland, Texas 79701

Re: Talco Unit

Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Mr. Kenneth H. Griffin

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the Talco Unit, Lea County, New Mexico, which you submitted on behalf of American Trading and Production Corporation. Our approval is subject to like approval by the United States Geological Survey.

Enclosed are Six (6) Certificates of approval.

Your filing fee in the amount of Eighty (\$80.00) Dollars has been received.

Please advise this office when the USGS gives their approval so that we may finish processing same.

Very truly yours,

ALEX J. ARMIJO

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: OG MAN Directo

RAY D. GRAHAM, Director Oil and Gas Division

AC 505-827-2748

AJA/RDG/s encls.

cc:

OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico (letter only) USGS-Roswell, New Mexico (letter only) USGS-Albuquerque, New Mexico (letter only) LAW OFFICES OF

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GEORGE H. HUNKER, JR. DON M. FEDRIC

March 27, 1980

Ernest Padilla, Esq. General Counsel New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

Re: Case No. 6824

Hearing date - March 12, 1980

Dear Mr. Padilla:

As soon as the transcript comes in in connection with the above styled case and an order has been entered, we would like for you to let us borrow the case file and transcript including the exhibits, for our examination and return to you within a short period of time.

We would appreciate your help and assistance in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

HUNKER-FEDRIC, P.A.

George H. Hunker, Jr.

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# BRUCE KING GOVERNOR LARRY KEHOE SECRETARY

### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

March 24, 1930

<pre>Ifr. Conrad E. Coffield Hinkle, Cox, Eaton, Coffield We Hensley</pre>	Re:	CASE NO. ORDER NO.R.			
Attorneys at Law P. O. Box 3580 Midland, Texas 79702		Applicant:			
		American Tr			tion
Dear Sir:			Compan	У	
Enclosed herewith are two copy Division order recently entered					
Yours very truly,  JOE D. RAMEY  Director					
JDR/fd					
Copy of order also sent to:					
Hobbs OCD × Artesia OCD × Aztec OCD					
Other					