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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MANZANO OIL CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12515

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MANZANO OIL CORPORATION FOR DIRECTIONAL DRILLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12516

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

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Manzano Oil

Corporation, the applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that notice has

been given to all interested parties entitled to receive notice of these applications under

Oil Conservation Division rules, and that notice has been given at the addresses shown on

Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Cases 12515 and 12516 Cons. Exhibit No. 9 Submitted by: <u>Manzano Oil Corporation</u> Hearing Date: <u>November 16, 2000</u>

William F. Car

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before this 15th day of November, 2000 by William F. Carr.

My Commission Expires: 8/21/2001

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Notary Public

EXHIBIT A

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Paladin Energy Corporation 10290 Monroe Drive, Suite 301 Dallas, Texas 75229-5718

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September 28, 2000

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Paladin Energy Corporation 10290 Monroe Drive, Suite 301 Dallas, Texas 75229-5718

Attention: George Fenton

Re: Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for directional drilling and an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for approval of a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Fenton;

This letter is to advise you that Manzano Oil Corporation has filed the enclosed applications with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking authority to re-enter and drill Manzano New Mexico C - #3 Well (previously the Paladin State "C" Well No. from a surface location 1550 feet from the North line and 10 feet from the West line of Section 36, and directionally drill to a bottom hole location 2400 feet from the North line and 190 feet from the East line of Section 35, both in Township 13 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. The SE/4 NE/4 of Section 35 will be dedicated to the well in the King Devonian pool. In a companion case, Manzano is seeking approval of a voluntary unit in the Devonian formation Comprised of the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 35 and the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 36.

These applications have been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on October 19, 2000. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

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Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Prehearing Statement three days in advance of a scheduled hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr ATTORNEY FOR MANZANO OIL CORPORATION

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

APPLICATION OF MANZANO OIL CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A UNIT AGREEMENT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.

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APPLICATION

MANZANO OIL CORPORATION ("Manzano"), through its undersigned attorfieys,

hereby makes application for an order approving its King State Exploratory Unit and in support of this application states:

1. That the proposed Unit consists of 80 acres, more or less, of State of New

Mexico and fee lands, situated in Lea County, New Mexico. The horizontal limits of said unit are described as follows:

Township 13 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 35: SE/4 NE/4 Section 36: SW/4 NW/4

2. The Unit Agreement has been approved by a sufficient percentage of the interest owners within the proposed Unit Area to provide effective control of unit operations.

3. The Applicant, Manzano Oil Corporation, is designated as Unit Operator in said Unit Agreement and all oil and gas in the all formations are unitized.

4. The proposed Unit Area covers all, or substantially all, of the geological structures or anomaly involved.

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5. Said Unit Agreement and the unitized operation and management of the Unit Area will be in the interest of conservation and the prevention of waste, and that it will protect the correlative rights of all parties concerned.

WHEREFORE, Manzano Oil Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 19, 2000, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Diamond State Unit be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

CAMPBELL, CARR, BERGE & SHERIDAN, P.A.

By:

ATTORNEY FOR MANZANO OIL CORPORATION

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CASE NO. _____: Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for approval of a Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval of the King State Exploratory Unit for an area comprising 80 acres of State of New Mexico and fee lands in Sections 35, and 36 of Township 13 South, Range 37 East, NMPM which is located approximately 9 miles east of McDonald, New Mexico.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MANZANO OIL CORPORATION FOR DIRECTIONAL DRILLING AND AN UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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APPLICATION

MANZANO OIL CORPORATION. ("Manzano"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application to the Oil Conservation Division for an order approving an

directional drilling and an unorthodox well location, and in support of this application states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 35 and the SW/4 NW/4 of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico which, in a companion case, Manzano is seeking to unitize for the re-entry of the

proposed Manzano New Mexico C - #3 Well.

2. A unit comprised of this acreage was previously formed by Paladin Energy Corporation (Division Case No. 10916, Order No. R-10916) but was terminated when Paladin's State "C" Well No. 3 was dry in the Devonian formation.

3. Manzano has acquired a portion of the interest of Paladin Energy Corporation in this acreage and now proposes to re-enter the former Paladin well (now the Manzano New Mexico C - #3 Well) at a previously approved unorthodox surface location 1550 feet from the North line and 10 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 36 (Case 11871, Order No. R-10917), and kick the well off and directionally drill in a south southwesterly direction and complete it in the Devonian formation, King-Devonian Pool, at an unorthodox gas well bottomhole location 2400 feet from the North line and 190 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 35.

2. Applicant seeks an exception to Rule 104 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division to permit the drilling of this well at this unorthodox gas well location.

3. The SE/4 NE/4 of Section 35 should be dedicated to the well.

4. Approval of this application will afford the interest owners in this unit the opportunity to produce their just and equitable share of the reserves under the subject spacing and proration unit and will otherwise be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Manzano Oil Corporation requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 19, 2000, that notice be given as required by law and the rules of the Division, and that the Division enter its Order granting this application.

APPLICATION, Page 2 Respectfully submitted,

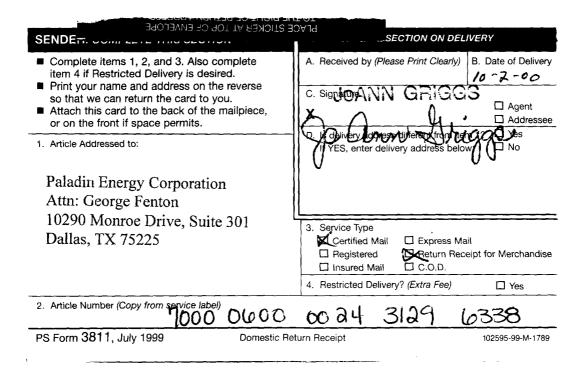
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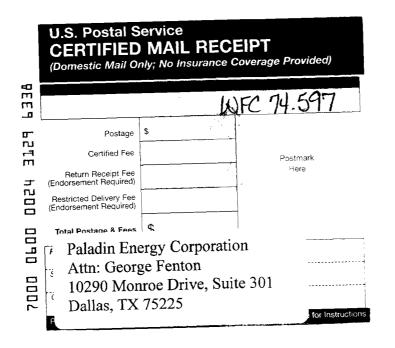
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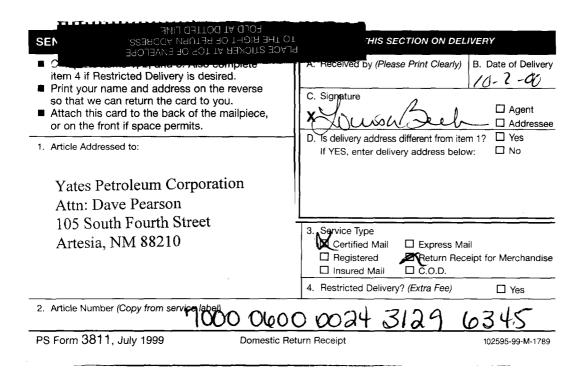
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ATTORNEYS FOR MANZANO OIL CORPORATION

APPLICATION, Page 3 CASE _____: Application of Manzano Oil Corporation for directional drilling and an unorthodox well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks authorization to re-enter its New Mexico C -#3 Well at a previously approved unorthodox surface location 1550 feet from the North line and 10 feet from the West line of Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, and directionally drill in the Devonian formation, King Devonian Pool, to an unorthodox bottom hole location 2400 feet from the North line and 190 feet from the East line of Section 35, Township 13 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. The SE/4 NE/4 of Section 35 is to be dedicated to said well. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles east of McDonald, New Mexico.







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