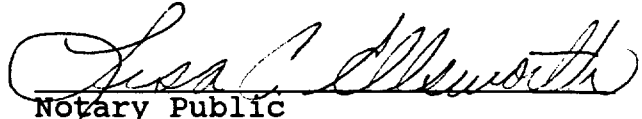


APPLICATION OF SANTA FE ENERGY)
OPERATING PARTNERS, L.P. FOR)
SURFACE COMMINGLING, LEA)
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO)
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James Bruce

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of
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My commission expires:

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Independence Plaza
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Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Larry Cunningham

Texaco Trading and
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P. O. Box 60628
Midland, Texas 79711

Attention: Thomas J. Savage

Re: Surface Commingling of Production from the Sharpshooter "2"
State Well Nos. 1, 2, and 3; Section 2, Township 18 South,
Range 32 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico (State of New
Mexico Oil and Gas Lease LG-6977)

Gentlemen:

Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. (SFEOP) has applied to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for permission to surface commingle production from the above described wells, including a request to be excused from the provisions of Division Rule 309(B) requiring separate metering of production from each well. The Division has notified SFEOP that this matter cannot be approved administratively. This matter has been designated Case No. 9923, and will be heard at the Examiner hearing scheduled by the Division for May 16, 1990 at 8:15 a.m., at the State Land Office Building at 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501. Failure to appear at that time will preclude you from

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objecting at a later date.

SFEOP previously sent letters to each of you when it sought administrative approval of this matter, requesting your consent to the commingling. Amoco, Mitchell, and Texaco Trading have signed consent letters. The Land Commissioner informed SFEOP that his approval was not required because all production is from one state lease and from the same pool (North Young Bone Spring). Nonetheless, this notice is being sent to you in order to comply with the Division's Rules.

Very truly yours,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD &
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By:  James Bruce

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cc: Vernon Dyer

Form 3800, June 1985

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