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Carbon Energy Corporation Bonneville Fuels Corporation CEC Resources Ltd.

May 11, 2000

State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

NSL- 4461- 6/200

Attention: Mr. Michael E. Stogner

RE: Application for Administrative Approval Unorthodox Well Location Salbar 16 State #1 Well

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Bonneville Fuels Corporation (Bonneville) does hereby request Administrative Approval of an unorthodox location for recompleting the following well in the Wolfcamp Formation:

Salbar 16 State #1 2456' FNL, 1023' FWL, Unit E Section 16, T16S, R36E, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico

The well is located within one mile of the North Shoe Bar-Wolfcamp Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

The Salbar 16 State #1 well was initially completed in the Strawn formation. Approval for an unorthodox Northeast Shoe Bar-Strawn pool location was given under Order R-10937.

Due to poor economic performance of the Strawn formation, and in the interest of conservation of oil and gas and to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, Bonneville is requesting administrative approval to use the existing wellbore to recomplete the Salbar 16 State #1 in the Wolfcamp formation. Bonneville does not believe that the prospective zones for Wolfcamp production have sufficient productivity to merit the drilling of an independent well at an orthodox location. In the interest of conformance with previous Order No. R-10937, Bonneville Fuels Corporation requests that the subject well allowable restriction be not less than 90% of the North Shoe Bar Wolfcamp allowable, as the North East Shoe Bar Strawn was restricted to 90% of its pool allowable.

Bonneville is also seeking approval to temporarily abandon the Strawn formation production. Bonneville would ultimately apply to commingle the Strawn formation production and Wolfcamp formation production at an appropriate time in the future. Ownership of the Strawn production and the Wolfcamp production are identical.

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Please find the following documents for your use in considering the approval of this application:

- 1. A plat showing the spacing unit, the proposed unorthodox well location, and the adjoining spacing unit towards which the unorthodox well location encroaches.
 - 2. A list of all affected persons as defined in Rule 1207.A(2) and an Affidavit of Mailing
 - attesting that notification was sent to the affected parties.
 - 3. A copy of New Mexico Form C-102 (Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat).
 - 4. A copy of the Application for Permit to Drill, Deepen, or Plug Back the Salbar 16 State #1 well.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance in this regard. If this filing is incomplete or you need any additional information, please call me at your earliest convenience at 303-863-1555, extension 234.

Very truly yours,

BONNEVILLE FUELS CORPORATION

Sharon McDonald Landman

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NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF OFFSET OWNERS

Salbar 16 State #1 Well Application for Unorthodox Location

In accordance with Rule 1207.A(2)(b), the following is a summary of each operator or lessee of record in the adjoining spacing units towards which the unorthodox location encroaches for the Salbar 16 State #1 well.

T16S-R36E-Section 16: SW/4

Unleased Mineral Owner: New Mexico State Land Office P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148 Attention: Jami Bailey

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF COLORADO

CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER

I, Sharon R. McDonald, Landman, employed by Bonneville Fuels Corporation, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

<u>A Notice of Unorthodox Location Application for the Salbar 16 State #1 Well</u> by Bonneville Fuels Corporation to the offset owners and operators was deposited on <u>May 11, 2000</u>, in the U. S. Mail for delivery, as certified mail, to each of the following named parties at the addresses shown below:

> New Mexico State Land Office P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148 Attention: Jami Bailey, Director

Affiant Further Sayeth Not.

Sharon R. McDonald, Landman

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, IN MY PRESENCE, THIS <u>11th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2000, a Notary Public in and for the State of Colorado.

Deborah A. Geary

My Commission Expires: _______9/30/2000



Carbon Energy Corporation Bonneville Fuels Corporation CEC Resources Ltd.

May 11, 2000

New Mexico State Land Office P. O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148

Attention: Jami Bailey, Director

RE: Notice of Unorthodox Location And Request for Waiver of Objection Salbar 16 State #1 Well 2456' FNL, 1023' FWL, Unit E of Section 16-T16S-R36E Lea County, New Mexico

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the applicable State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division regulations, that Bonneville Fuels Corporation is seeking administrative approval to recomplete the Salbar 16 State #1 Well in the Wolfcamp Formation. The proposed spacing unit for the Wolfcamp is the NW/4 of Section 16. The well is located at an unorthodox location for the Wolfcamp. Due to poor economic performance of the Strawn formation in the Salbar 16 State #1 well, and in the interest of conservation of oil and gas and to prevent waste and protect correlative rights, Bonneville is requesting administrative approval to use the existing wellbore to recomplete the Salbar 16 State #1 in the Wolfcamp formation. Bonneville does not believe that the prospective zones for Wolfcamp production have sufficient productivity to merit the drilling of an independent well at an orthodox location. In the interest of conformance with previous Order No. R-10937, Bonneville is requesting that the subject well allowable restriction be not less than 90% of the North Shoe Bar Wolfcamp allowable, as the North East Shoe Bar Strawn was restricted to 90% of its pool allowable.

Bonneville is also seeking approval to temporarily abandon the Strawn formation production. Bonneville would ultimately apply to commingle the Strawn formation production and Wolfcamp formation production at an appropriate time in the future. Ownership of the Strawn production and the Wolfcamp production are identical.

Providing you have no objection to Bonneville's application, Bonneville respectfully requests your execution of this Waiver of Objection in triplicate, within the required 20 day notice period. Please mail a fully executed original of this waiver to the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, return an executed copy to Bonneville Fuels Corporation, and retain the third copy for your files. Should you fail to file a protest in accordance with the rules and regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division within the 20-day notice period, then the NMOCD will consider that you have waived objection to this proposed administrative approval of the unorthodox location.



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Thank you for your consideration in this regard. If you have any technical questions concerning this matter, please contact Bob Schwering, the project engineer, at 303-863-1555, extension 213.

Very truly yours,

Bonneville Fuels Corporation

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Sharon McDonald Landman

The undersigned does hereby waive objection to the administrative approval of the aforementioned matter.

New Mexico State Land Office

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION PO Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Form C-102 Revised February 10, 1994 Instructions on back Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

AMENDED REPORT

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May 11, 2000

Oil Conservation Division: District I Department of Natural Resources State of New Mexico Mr. Chris Williams: District Supervisor 1625 North French Drive Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Dear Mr. Williams:

Bonneville Fuels Corporation completed the: Salbar "16" State #1 Well 2456' FNL & 1023' FWL (Unit E) Section 16, T.16S., R.36E. Lea County, New Mexico In the Northeast Shoe Bar Strawn Pool in March 2000.

Initial production rates were attractive but water cut increased rapidly until the well originally watered out. Pumping rates were reduced to 50% on-time and oil production was reestablished. The well produces from a narrow oil column in the Strawn Fm. on top of a significant water column.

Current producing rates have peaked at approx. 15 BOPD + 75 BWD + 50 MCFD (stable). The well operates at a producing profit but does not allow BFC to recover sufficient cash flow to retire the cost of re-entering, completing and equipping the well. Applying any reasonable decline to this deep (Strawn Perfs.: 11,557' – 11,567') pumping well indicates that it will reach its economic limit at 5 BOPD & 15 MCFD in less than 2 years.

On the basis of economic hardship Bonneville is filing the following permits/administrative approval requests as follows:

- 1. A C-101 (Orig. + 5 copies) to Temporarily Abandon the Strawn Fm. production after obtaining a stabilized BHP by plugging back the well to the Wolfcamp Fm. Several zones within the Wolfcamp Fm. between 10,460' and 11,060' will be perforated, acidized and tested in an effort to obtain a commercial and water free completion.
- 2. A C-104 (Orig. + 3 copies) dedicating the Wolfcamp Fm. production in the NW ¼ of Section 16 to the existing wellbore.
- 3. A copy of the Request for Administrative Approval of a Non-Standard Location, which BFC has filed, with the NMOCD Santa Fe Office is attached for your records. Through this application Bonneville seeks application of the previously approved Strawn allowable restriction (90% of depth restricted Strawn allowable for the Northeast Shoe Bar Strawn Pool) to the Wolfcamp Fm. (i.e. BFC requested 90% of the North Shoe Bar Wolfcamp Pool allowable) due to the Unorthodox location of this well. The well is Unorthodox for either Northeast Shoe Bar Strawn Fm. or North Shoe Bar Wolfcamp Fm. oil production.

Bonneville will commence work as soon as the Administrative Approval of the Non-Standard Location is granted and after we receive the approved C-101 & C-102 forms. Bonneville will file the requisite C-104 and C-116 forms as soon as production tests can be obtained.

Call me if you have any questions at (303) 863-1555 ext. 213. Thank You for Your Assistance in this Matter,

Sincerely Yours, ORPORATION BONNEVILLE FUEL R A Schwerind

Operations Manager: Permian Basin

Attachments