Western Natural Gas Company

1006 MAIN STREET

Houston 2, Texas

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ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO

NFO 344 due 4/20/57

823 MIDLAND TOWER BUILDING MIDLAND, TEXAS

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Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

By this letter Western Natural Gas Company respectfully requests Commission approval of exception to the "No Flare" provisions of the Commission's Order R-520 (Paragraph 10) and Order R-553 insofar as it pertains to Western's lease on the SW/4 of Section 34-Twp. 225, Rge. 36E, Lea County, on which the following two South Eunice Pool oil wells have been drilled:

Hale #2	• K	<b>34-2</b> 2-36	Completed	1-25-57
Hale #3	- K	34-22-36	Completed 2	

A plat of the lease and surrounding acreage is attached.

In support of this request, Western states:

a. Total daily volume to be flared 231 MCF

b. Gas - oil ratios are Hale #2 763-1 Hale #3 2060-1

- c. It is approximately one mile to the nearest low pressure line
- d. El Paso Natural Gas Company declines to take the casinghead gas because they do not have facilities in this area. See copy of letter attached.

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- e. United Carbon Company declines to take the casinghead gas because the gas is sour. See copy of letter attached
- f. To the best of our knowledge there are no other outlets for residue gas in this area
- g. Periodic tests of the gas will be unde to determine its hydrogen sulphide content. Should the gas become marketable, a connection will be promptly made

Based on the above conditions, Western respectfully requests your approval of this application.

Very truly yours,

WESTERN NATURAL GAS COMPANY

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R. H. McKoy Division Superintendent

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MIDLAND

Before ms, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared, R. H. McKoy, Division Superintendent of Western Matural Gas Company, who,after being by me duly sworm, upon his oath states that, to the best of his knowledge, the statements contained in the foregoing Application of Western Natural Gas Company, dated April 8, 1957, are true and correct.

R. H. Melloy

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said R. H. McKoy this 8th day of April, 1957, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

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/Notary Public in and for Nidland County, Texas

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El Paso Natural Gas Company

El Paso, Jexas March 14, 1957

ADDRESS REPLY TO: 1006 MAIN STREET HOUSTON 2, YEXAB

Western Natural Gas Company 1006 Main Street Houston 2, Texas

Attention: Mr. Henry O. Weaver

Gentlemen:

By your letter of March 1, 1957, you offered for sale casinghead gas available from your Hale #2 and #3 Wells on the S/2 Section 34, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

This is to advise that the location of the wells and the acreage upon which they are located in relation to our existing casinghead facilities is such that it is not an economical connection. Therefore, El Paso will not exercise its preferential right to purchase the casinghead gas available from this lease.

Very truly yours,

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## UNITED CARBON COMPANY

CHARLESTON 27, WEST VIRGINIA

March 20, 1957

Mr. R. B. Sanders Western Natural Gas Company 1006 Main Street Houston 2, Texas

Dear Mr. Sanders:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter dated February 28, 1957, in regard to bringing under our contract dated December 30, 1954, your Hale #2 and #3 wells located in Section 34-T228-R36E, Les County, New Mexico.

I have just been advised by our field superintendent that tests on this gas show 200 grains of hydrogen sulphide per 100cu. feet, and this is too sour for us to use without it first having been treated. You understand, of course, that our line to which you would connect these wells is one running from our treater plant to our carbon plant and contains comparatively sweet gas.

It appears to be a little strange that this gas is so much more sour that your other wells in this immediate area, and for this reason we will continue to make periodic tests. If at some future time this gas does become fit for our use, we will advise you.

Yours very truly,

H. E. Norrick



- United Carbon Co. 20" Pipe Line

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