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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston A & B Zones, SIBLEY FIELD, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO PRODUCTION COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston A Zone and to the Hosston B Zone in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to designate and utilize one (1) additional alternate unit well each for HOSS A SUO, HOSS A SUP, HOSS A SUQ, HOSS B SUO and for HOSS B SUP, at the locations shown on the attached plats.

2. To approve an exception to the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 148-J, effective February 1, 1972, for any of the proposed alternate unit wells the location of which, as shown on the attached plats, does not comply with the spacing provisions of said Order.

3. To find that each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston A and/or B Zones underlying the unit on which it is proposed to be drilled which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on the unit.

4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston A and B Zones in Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, were defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 148-J, effective February 1, 1972, and the base of the Hosston B Zone as to HOSS B SUO was redefined in Office of Conservation Order No. 148-J-196, effective October 8, 1998.

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70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Mr. Gilbert at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plats is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and of the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sibley Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

David L. Smelley

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-- Attorney for El Paso Production Company

DLS:dp
Enclosures
cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Lew Duff (w/encls.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)

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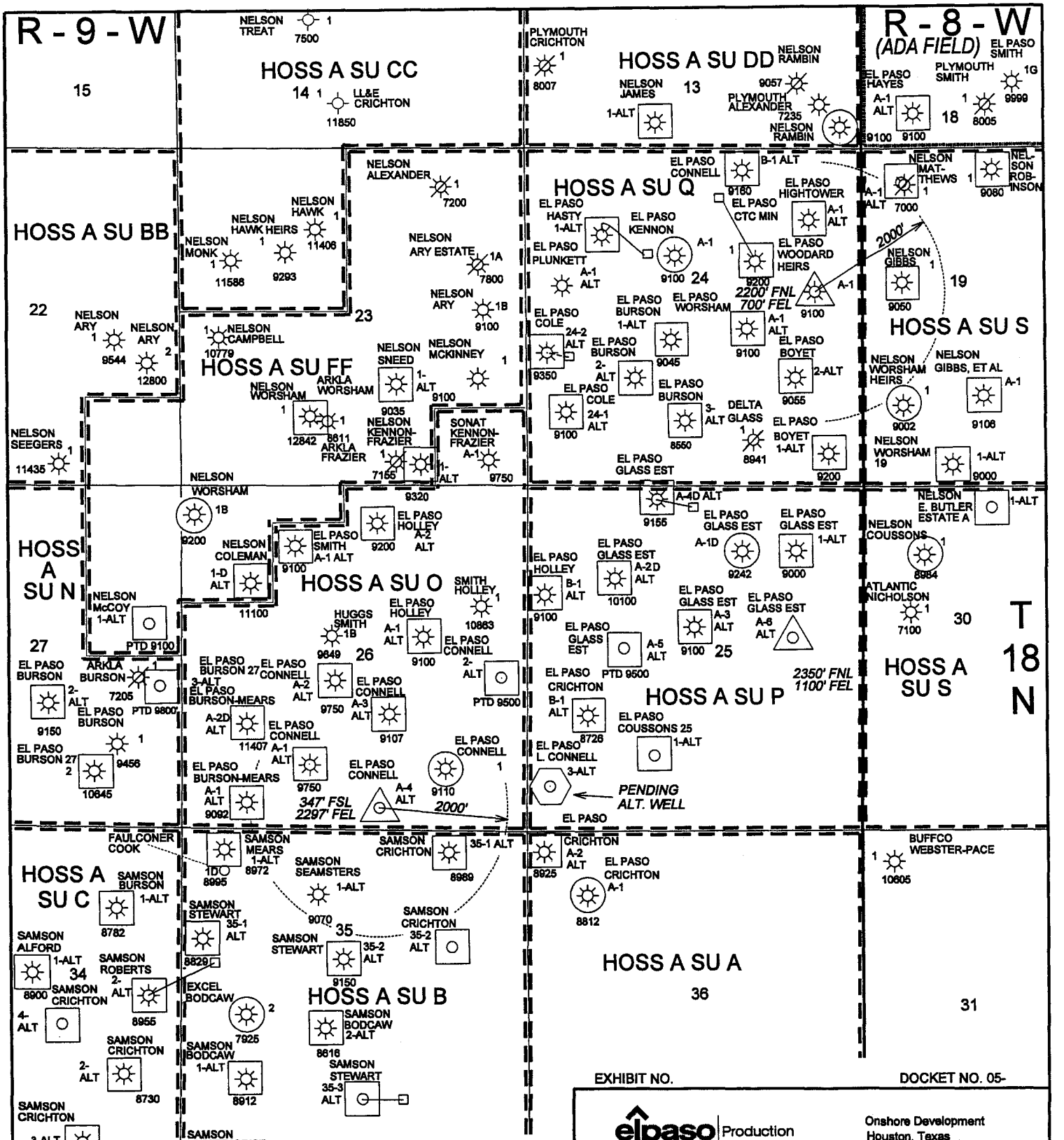
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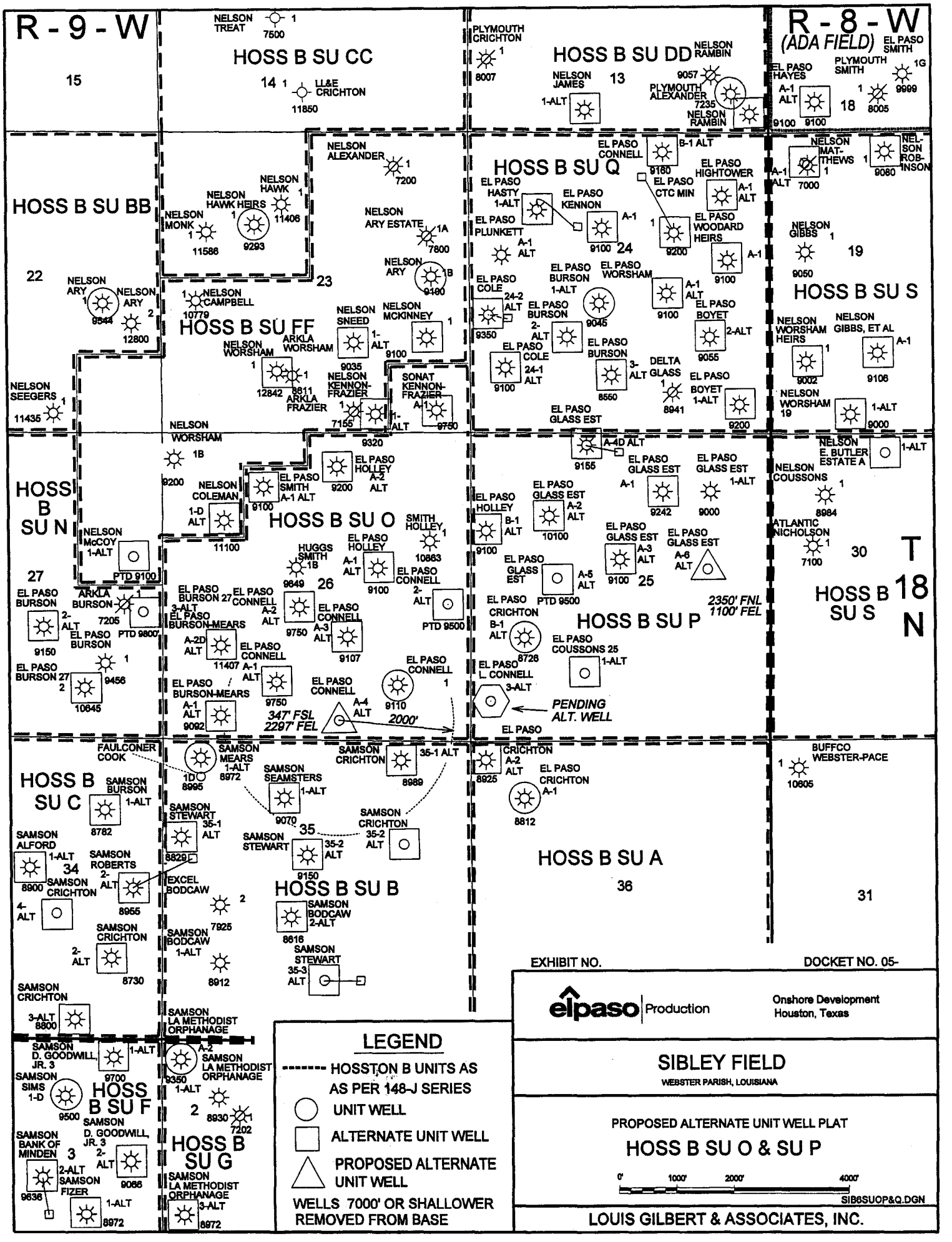
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