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May 16, 2006

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C
WEST BUHLER FIELD
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Crawford Energy Operating Company to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, in the West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, in the West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this zone and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created.

3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.

4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.

6. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The Hackberry Zone, in the West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1491, effective August 23, 2005.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for POSTING of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of the West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be PUBLISHED in a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the West Buhler Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Cambe Geological Services, Inc., 6300 Westpark, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77057 (713-659-8363).

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication notice was given, but no request for a conference was received, and therefore, none was held.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the proposed unit and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties and proposed unit plat (being the same plat attached to the May 4, 2006 notice) are being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plat and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Crawford Energy Operating Company in the sum of $755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,

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Bill McAlister

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Enclosures
cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
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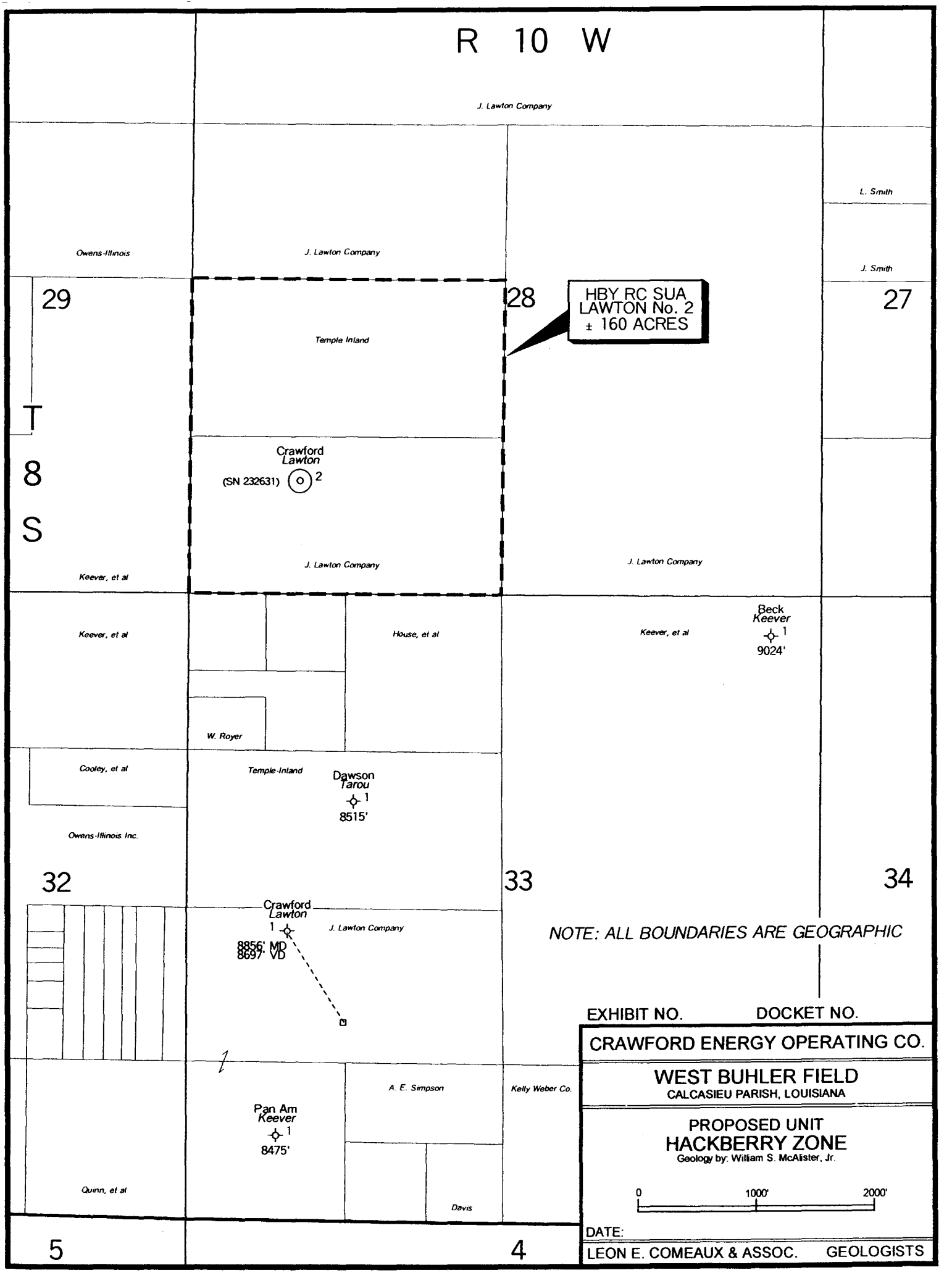
Lafayette, Louisiana 70508

Interested Parties, Interested
Owners and Represented Parties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