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August 20, 2007

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

WM. TIMOTHY ALLEN, III
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RE: HEARING APPLICATION
CV RB SUF
Hico-Knowles Field
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana
Our File No. 410688.0026

Dear Sir:

On behalf of STROUD PETROLEUM, INC., application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir B, in the Hico-Knowles Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit (to be designated as CV RB SUF), as shown on the plat attached hereto, for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir B, in the Hico-Knowles Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana;
2. To force pool and unitize all separately owned tracts, mineral leases, and other property interests within said unit, with allocation of production from the unit well to the tracts within such unit to be on the basis of surface acreage.
3. Except to the extent inconsistent herewith, to extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 137-X-14, effective May 24, 2005, to the proposed CV RB SUF.
4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir B in the Hico-Knowles Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana were fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 137-X-14, effective May 24, 2005.

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Pertinent data regarding this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Stroud Petroleum, Inc., 416 Travis Street, Suite 609, Shreveport, LA 71101. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Ted Scurlock at (318) 425-0101, during normal business hours, or write Mr. Scurlock at the above address in order to arrange a time and date for such inspection. Copies of such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

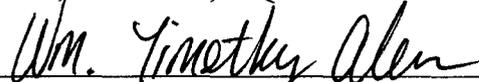
By Pre-Application Notice dated August 1, 2007, applicant advised the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager and all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties of applicant's intention to apply for the hearing which is the subject of this application. Applicant received no request for a Pre-Application Conference, and accordingly, no conference will be held.

A check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation, to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list and to the Pre-Application Conference Attendees.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

By: 

Wm. Timothy Allen III

Attorneys for Stroud Petroleum, Inc.

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Enclosures

- cc: Mr. James C. Broussard
Office of Conservation, Shreveport District Manager, La. (w/enclosures)
- cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat)

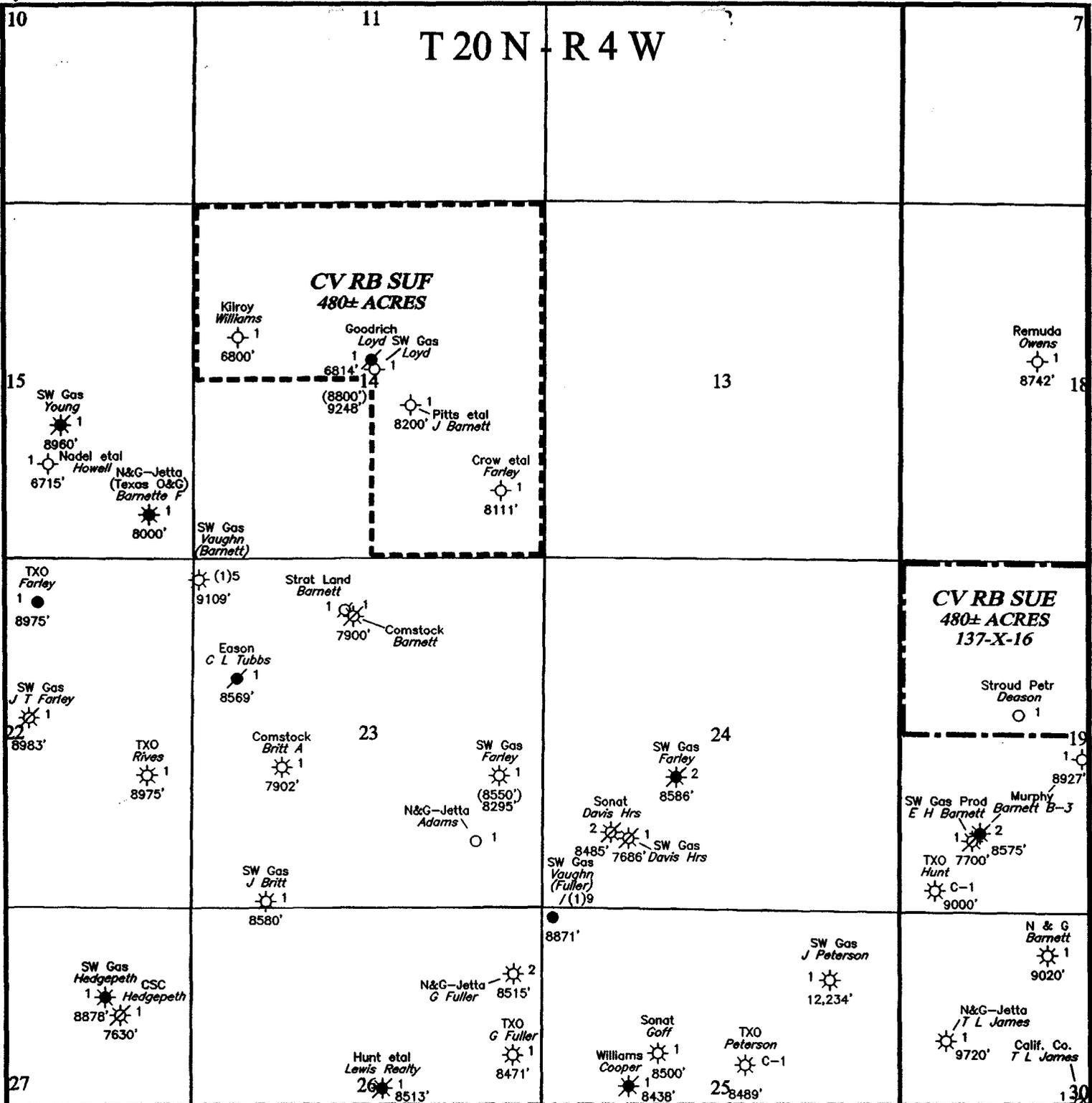
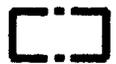


EXHIBIT No. 1

LEGEND

-  : PROPOSED CV RB SUF HICO-KNOWLES FIELD
-  : EXISTING CV RB UNITS HICO-KNOWLES FIELD

ONLY WELLS WITH TD's >8000' SHOWN

STROUD PETROLEUM, INC.
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

HICO-KNOWLES FIELD
LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA

**PROPOSED
CV RB SUF**



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