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July 3, 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 RA SUN, CV RA SUO and CV RA SUP  
Thorn Lake Field  
Red River Parish, Louisiana  
Our File No. 410688.0023

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 Formation, Reservoir A, in the Thorn Lake Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create three (3) additional drilling and production units (to be designated as CV RA SUN, CV RA SUO, and CV RA SUP) for the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Thorn Lake Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the plat attached hereto.
2. To force pool and unitize all separately owned tracts, mineral leases, and other property interests within said units, with allocation of production from the unit well to the tracts within each 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. 1145, effective July 31, 1981, to the proposed CV RA SUN, CV RA SUO, and CV RA SUP.
4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Thorn Lake Field, Caddo and Red River Parishes, Louisiana, is fully defined in Order No. 1145, effective July 31, 1981.

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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.

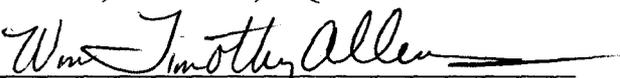
By Pre-Application Notice dated June 21, 2007, applicant advised the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager and all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties of applicant's intention to apply for the hearing which is the subject of this application. Applicant received 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

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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)

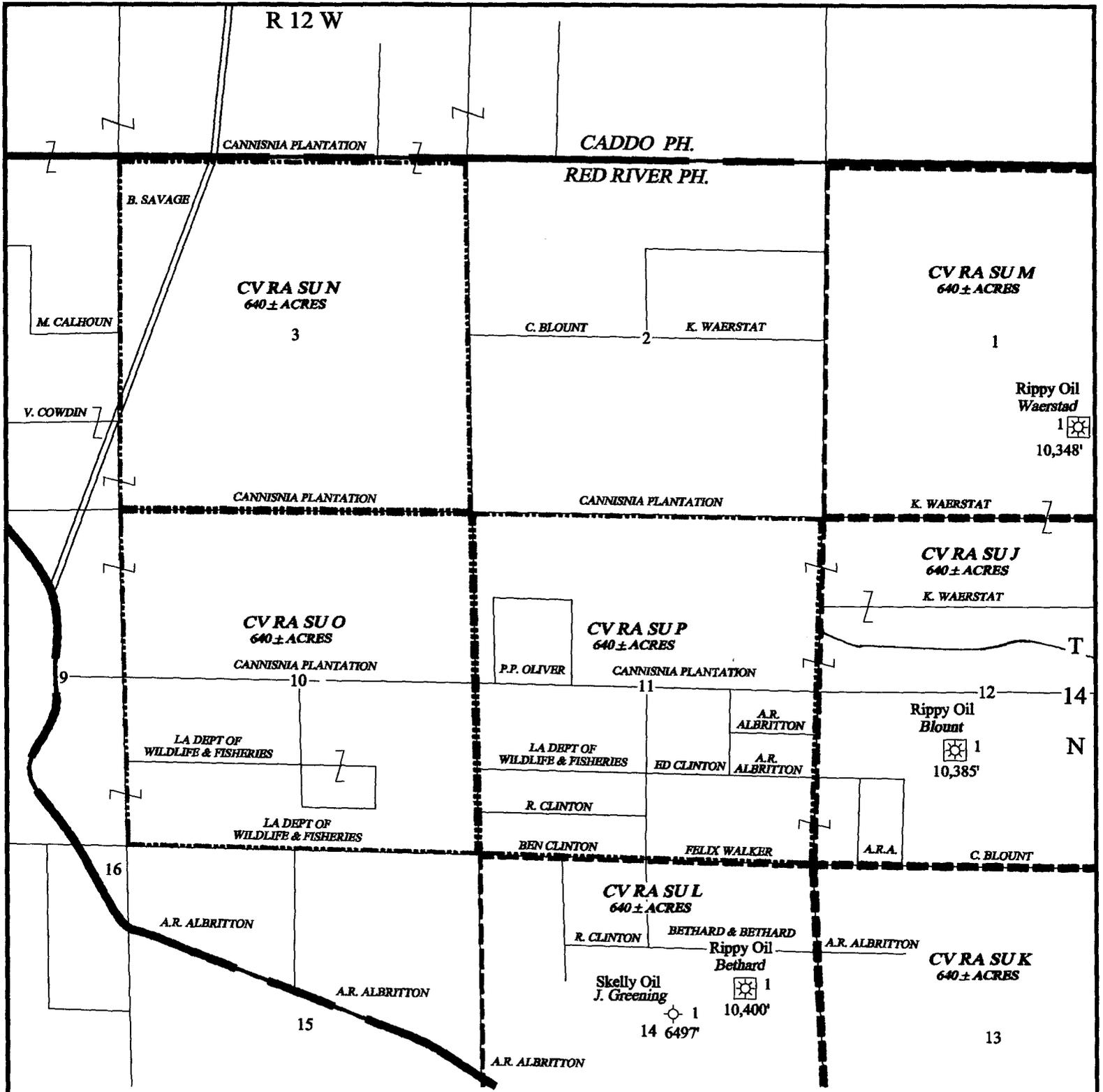


EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**STROUD PETROLEUM, INC.**  
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

**THORN LAKE FIELD**  
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA

**PROPOSED COTTON VALLEY RESERVOIR A SAND UNITS N, O AND P.**

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