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

**RE: HEARING APPLICATION
Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA
South Manchester Field
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana**

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby given on behalf of **EBR LOUISIANA L.L.C.**, ("Applicant") for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA, in South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana:

Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA.
2. To create a drilling and production unit for the exploration and production of gas and condensate from the Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA, such proposed unit being shown on the attached plat and being designated Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis.
4. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the reservoirs by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
5. The Upper Miocene Zone, RA SUA is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the electric log depths of 3,205 feet and 4,485 feet in the Mayne and Mertz Inc., Hayes Minerals 18 #1 well, located in Section 18, Township 10 South, Range 7 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the office of Bryan S. Groves, 110 Oil Center Drive, Building 13, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Bryan S. Groves at 337/233-8032 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 Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

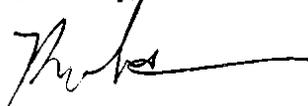
A conference was held on Thursday, July 17, 2008, at the Petroleum Club of Lafayette located at 111 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette, Louisiana, on behalf of EBR Louisiana, L.L.C. I opened the meeting and explained the EBR Unit proposal. Questions were asked and answered. A counterplan was presented by Travis Helms representing Hayes Minerals. Mr. Helms proposed one unit encompassing approximately 160 acres. All parties represented were unable to resolve their differences at the conference. We will continue discussion toward the resolution of our differences. We may possibly have opposition at the hearing.

Pursuant to the Revised 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 this notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the unit plat is enclosed herewith and a copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette 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 the enclosed plat 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 the Subject Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Office of Conservation in the amount of \$755.00 for the application fee.

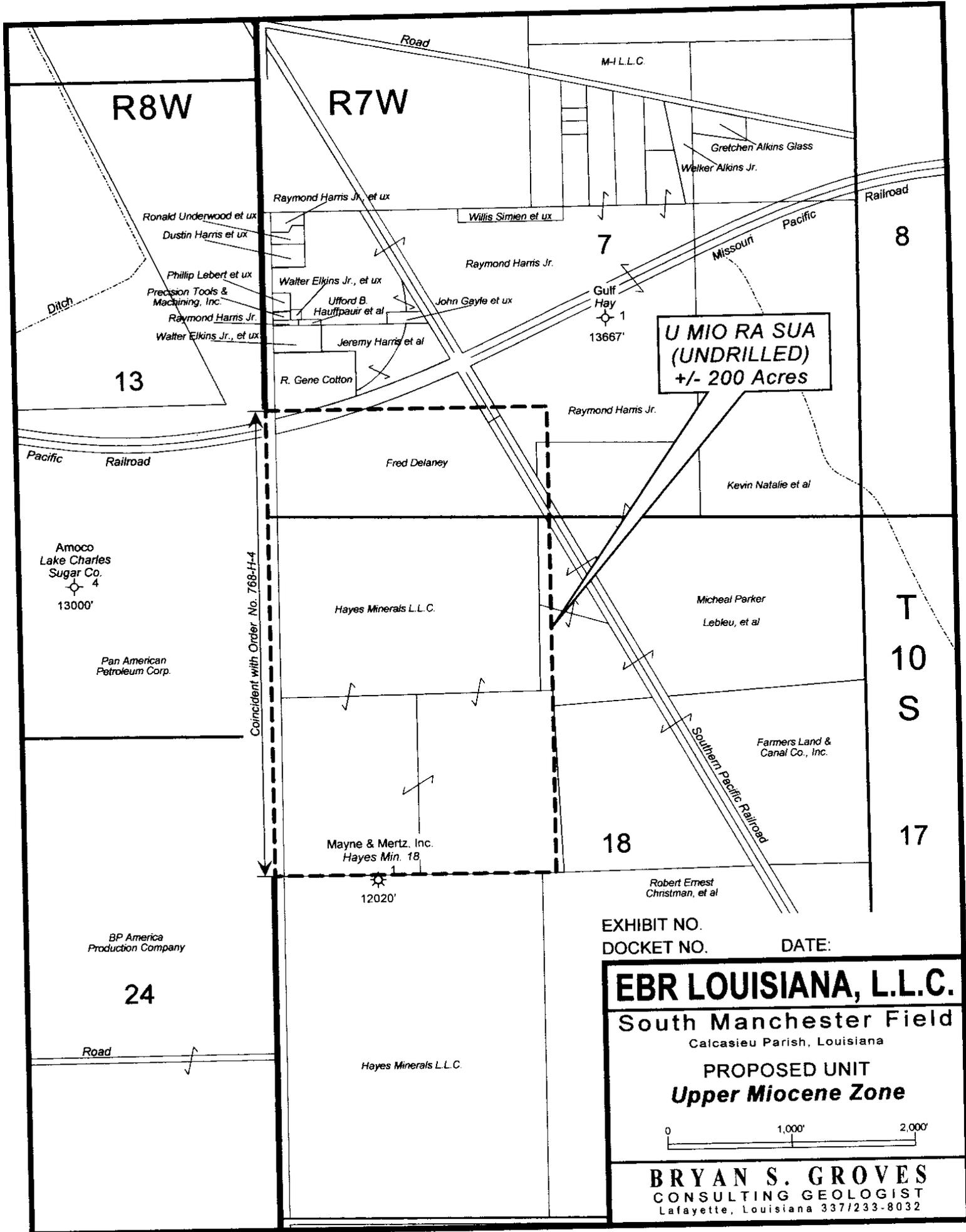
Sincerely,



Bryan S. Groves
Geologist

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/encl.)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
Interested Parties (w/plat only)



**U MIO RA SUA
(UNDRILLED)
+/- 200 Acres**

EXHIBIT NO. _____
DOCKET NO. _____ DATE: _____

EBR LOUISIANA, L.L.C.
 South Manchester Field
 Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana
PROPOSED UNIT
Upper Miocene Zone

0 1,000' 2,000'

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