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November 30, 2007

Hon. James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
P. O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re: Trahan Zone, Reservoirs A and B, in  
the S. W. Esther Field, Vermilion  
Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Yuma Exploration and Production Company, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, pertaining to the following matters relative to the Trahan Zone, Reservoirs A and B, in the S. W. Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Trahan Zone, Reservoirs A and B, in the S. W. Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana;
2. To create two (2) single drilling and production units for the Trahan Zone, Reservoirs A and B, designated as the Trahan RA SUA and the Trahan RB SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;

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

The Trahan Zone in the S. W. Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 15,050 feet and 16,400 feet (electrical log measurements) in the El Paso Exploration (McMoran) – Guidry No. 1 Well, located in Section 28, Township 13 South, Range 1 East, in Outside Island Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana. Please note that this definition differs from that contained in the pre-application, which had a top of 13,890 feet.

No request for the pre-application conference was received, and accordingly IT WILL NOT BE HELD. It is unknown whether there will be opposition at the hearing on this matter.

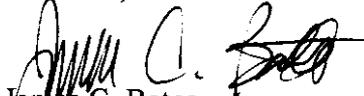
In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for posting of the legal notice and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of S. W. Esther Field. Additionally, the legal notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of S. W. Esther Field at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70505-3922, (337) 233-9839.

Enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager **ONLY** is a list of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. Also enclosed is a copy of the plat showing the proposed units. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties. Also enclosed is our check payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS & BATES, L.L.P.

  
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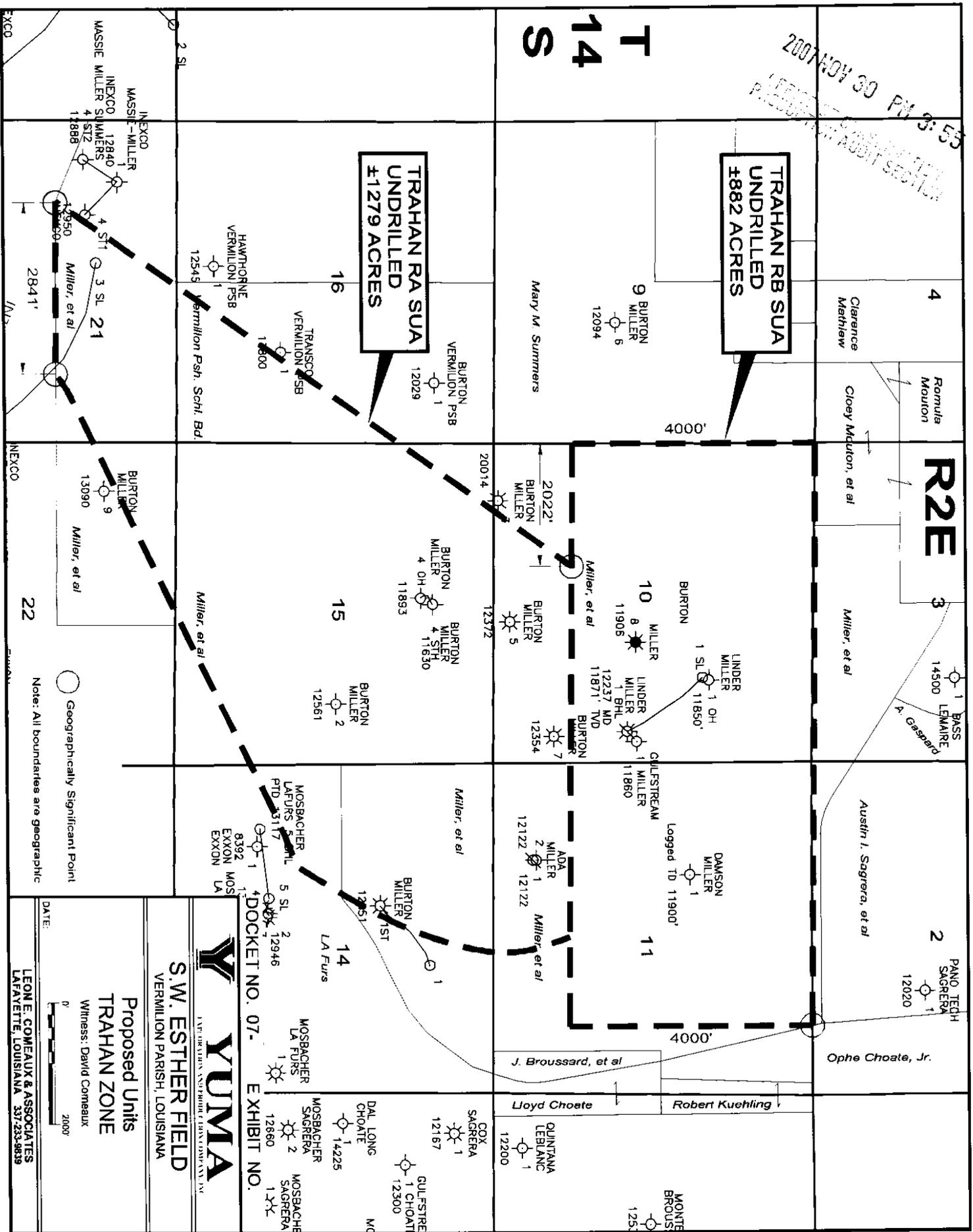
cc: Mr. Richard Hudson  
District Manager

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Represented Parties

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S.W. ESTHER FIELD  
 VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Units  
 TRAHAN ZONE

Witness: David Comeaux

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