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Ref: 4641-24928

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
CM 227 Zone, Reservoirs C and D
LAKE WASHINGTON FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Swift Energy Operating, LLC

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Swift Energy Operating, LLC** 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 CM 227 Zone, Reservoirs C and D, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

CM 227 Zone, Reservoir C

1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production unit created as the CM 227 Zone, Reservoir C, by Office of Conservation Order No. 149-FFF-1, effective August 31, 2004 and to simultaneously create a revised single drilling and production unit of approximately 6.2 acres for the CM 227 Zone, Reservoir C, designated as the CM 227 RC SUA in the Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To confirm Swift Energy Operating, LLC as operator for the CM 227 RC SUA and to designate the Swift Energy Operating, LLC-SL 17266 No. 23 Well as the unit will for the revised unit;
5. To find that, except to the extent contrary to the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation No. 149-FFF-1 shall remain in full force and effect;

6. The CM 227 Zone, Reservoir C in Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 149-FFF-1, effective August 31, 2004 and is further defined as being that oil and gas bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 3,297 feet and 3,878 feet (electrical log measurements) (-3205' and -3691' subsea) in the Swift Energy Operating, LLC-SL 17266 No. 23 Well (Cockrell-Moran No. 344), located in Section 7, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

CM 227 Zone, Reservoir D

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 3.6 acres for the CM 227 Zone, Reservoir D, designated as the CM 227 RD SUA in the Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate Swift Energy Operating, LLC as operator for the CM 227 RD SUA and to designate the Swift Energy Operating, LLC-SL 17266 No. 22 Well as the unit well for said unit;
5. The CM 227 Zone, Reservoir C in Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 3,113 feet and 3,497 feet (electrical log measurements) (-2905' and -3224' subsea) in the Swift Energy Operating, LLC-SL 17266 No. 22 Well (Cockrell-Moran No. 344), located in Section 7, Township 20 South, Range 27 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

For the Above Zones

1. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the sand and reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of each reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation, and
2. To consider such other matters which may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated January 31, 2008 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 25, 2008. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by

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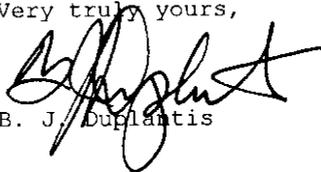
telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the CM 227 Zone, Reservoirs C and D, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates, LLC, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

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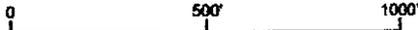
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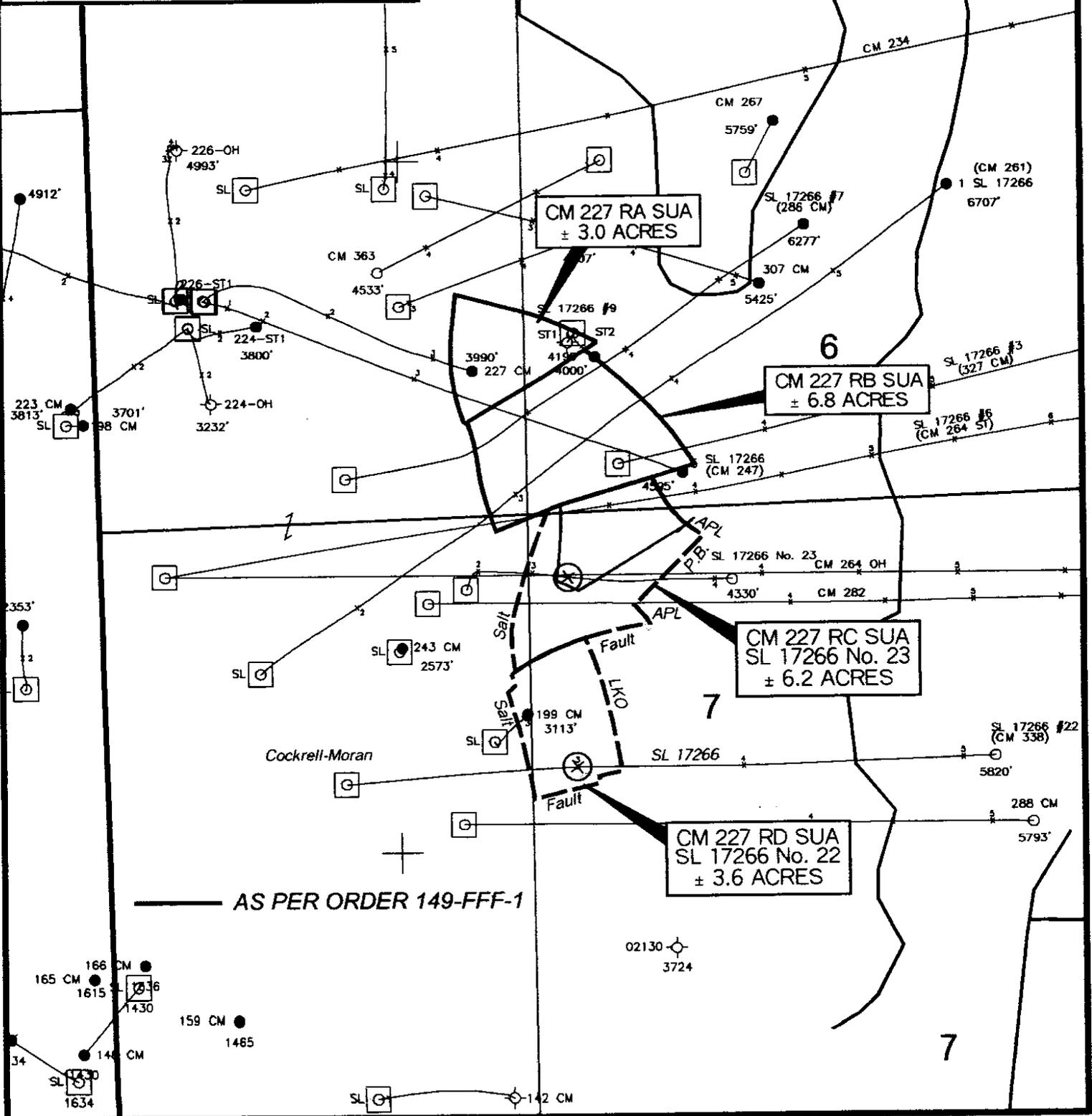
LAKE WASHINGTON FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA
PROPOSED REVISED UNIT
227 ZONE RC
PROPOSED UNIT
227 ZONE RD



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AS PER ORDER 149-FFF-1