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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Zone, Reservoir C; and Cotton Valley Zone,
Reservoir A; LIBERTY HILL FIELD, Bienville
Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

PLANTATION OPERATING, L.L.C. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Zone, Reservoir C, and to the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Liberty Hill Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit Applicant to combine downhole production from the Hosston Zone, Reservoir C, with production from the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the wellbore of any existing or future wells located on HOSS RC SUG and CV RA SUG in which the interests in these units are identical, said units being shown on the attached plat.
2. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent to this application.

The Hosston Zone, Reservoir C, in the Liberty Hill Field was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 578-C-2, effective April 12, 2005.

The Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Liberty Hill Field was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 578-D, effective April 12, 2005.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect any such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 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.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

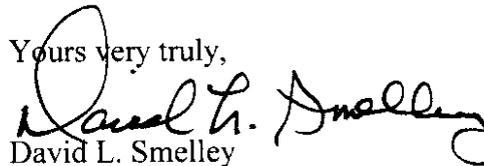
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Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of the attached plat, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport 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 Liberty Hill Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose a check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

Yours very truly,



David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Plantation Operating, L.L.C.

DLS:dp
Enclosures

cc: Mr. James C. Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. George Upchurch (w/encls.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

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WILDHORSES
RESOURCES, LLC
(STRAND ENERGY)
Minerals Ltd.
8,250'

ROBERT F. ROBERTS
Continental Can Co.

PLACID
S. Adv.
B&P
Co., Etal
8,604'

KAISER-FRANCIS OIL
KMI Cont. R/W
9,700'

T
15
N
PLACID
W.C. Harrison Et al
8,522'

12

HOSS RC SU G
CV RA SU G

PLACID
S. Adv. B&P
Co., Etal
8,547'

R. J. CARAWAY
Continental Can Co.
8,882'

13

18

17

BRIGHT & SCHIFF
Kemp
8,770'

COMSTOCK
Caldwell
9,200'

24

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D.E. SMITHERMAN
Hunt Hodges

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 8
2-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 8
5-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 8
6-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 8
14,350'

PLACID
S. Adv.
B&P Co.
PLANTATION
La. Minerals 8
3-ALT.

8

R 5 W
4

SMITH & CAMERON
D.E. Smitherman

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
8,616'

La. Min. 9
7-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
4-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
6-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
8-ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
2-ALT.

PLANTATION
Martin Timber

PLACID
S. Adv. B&P Co.
8,551'

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
ALT.

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 9
13,965'

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 16
17,000'

PLANTATION
La. Minerals 16
14,385'

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EXHIBIT No. 3

DOCKET No. 09-

PLANTATION OPERATING, LLC

LIBERTY HILL FIELD
BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED DOWNHOLE COMBINATION PLAT
HOSS RC SU G & CV RA SU G

Date: LIBSECTHOSS&CVDHC-09 DGN
Geology: LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

LEGEND

- HOSS RC SU G
APO 578-C-3, EFF. 8-16-05
- CV RA SU G, APO 578-D-1,
EFFECTIVE 8-16-05