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February 10, 2009

Ref: 4814-26488

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

Re: Hearing Application
Austin Chalk Formation, Reservoir B
Saratoga Chalk Formation, Reservoir A
RATTAN FIELD
Sabine Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Stonegate Production Company, 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 **Stonegate Production Company, L.L.C.** 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 Austin Chalk Formation, Reservoir B and the Saratoga Chalk Formation, Reservoir A, Rattan Field, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.

Austin Chalk Formation, Reservoir B

1. To create two (2) additional single drilling and production units of approximately 1440 acres for the Austin Chalk Formation, Reservoir B designated as the AUS C RB SUB and SUC in the Rattan Field, Sabine 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 sand units;

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

4. To consider such other matters pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The Austin Chalk Formation, Reservoir B in the Rattan Field, Sabine Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 694-A-2, effective September 30, 2008.

Saratoga Chalk Formation, Reservoir A

1. To create six (6) single drilling and production units of approximately 720 acres each for the Saratoga Chalk Formation, Reservoir A designated as the SAR RA SUA, SUB, SUC, SUD, SUE and SUF in the Rattan Field, Sabine 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 sand units;

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

4. To consider such other matters pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The Saratoga Chalk Formation, Reservoir A, in the Rattan Field, Sabine Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing formation encountered between the measured depths of 5,505 feet and 5,820 feet (electrical log measurements) in the L. R. Resources (formerly Bray Drilling Co.)-Manville 10-16 No. 1 Well (SN103903), located in Section 10, Township 4 North, Range 12 West, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.

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 29, 2009 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 23, 2009. 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 telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the AUS C RB SUB and SUC and SAR RA SUA, SUB, SUC, SUD, SUE and SUF, Rattan Field, Sabine 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.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

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

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of $1,510.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

B. J. Duplantis

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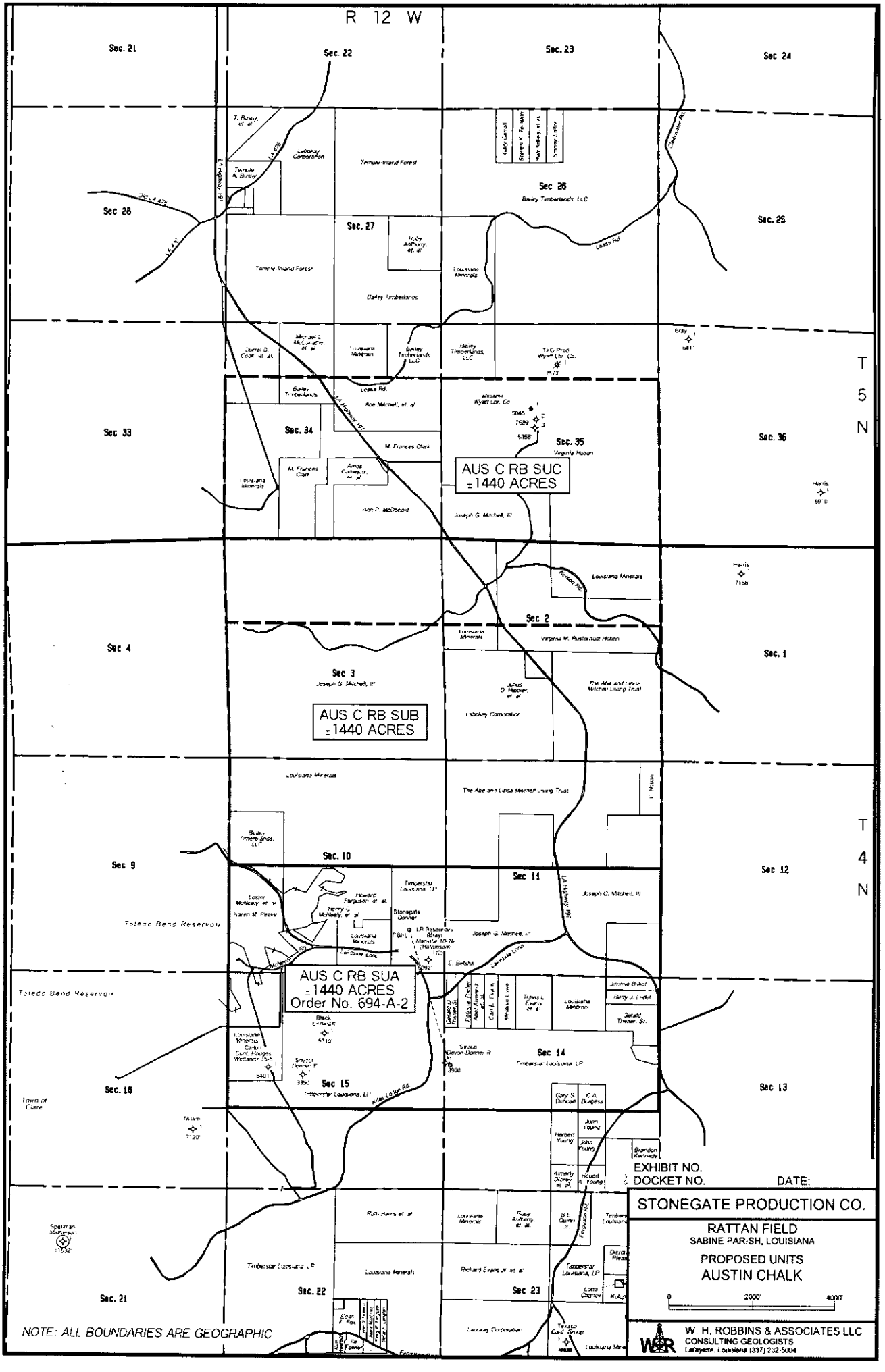
Attachments
cc: Mr. James Broussard
District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and
Interested Parties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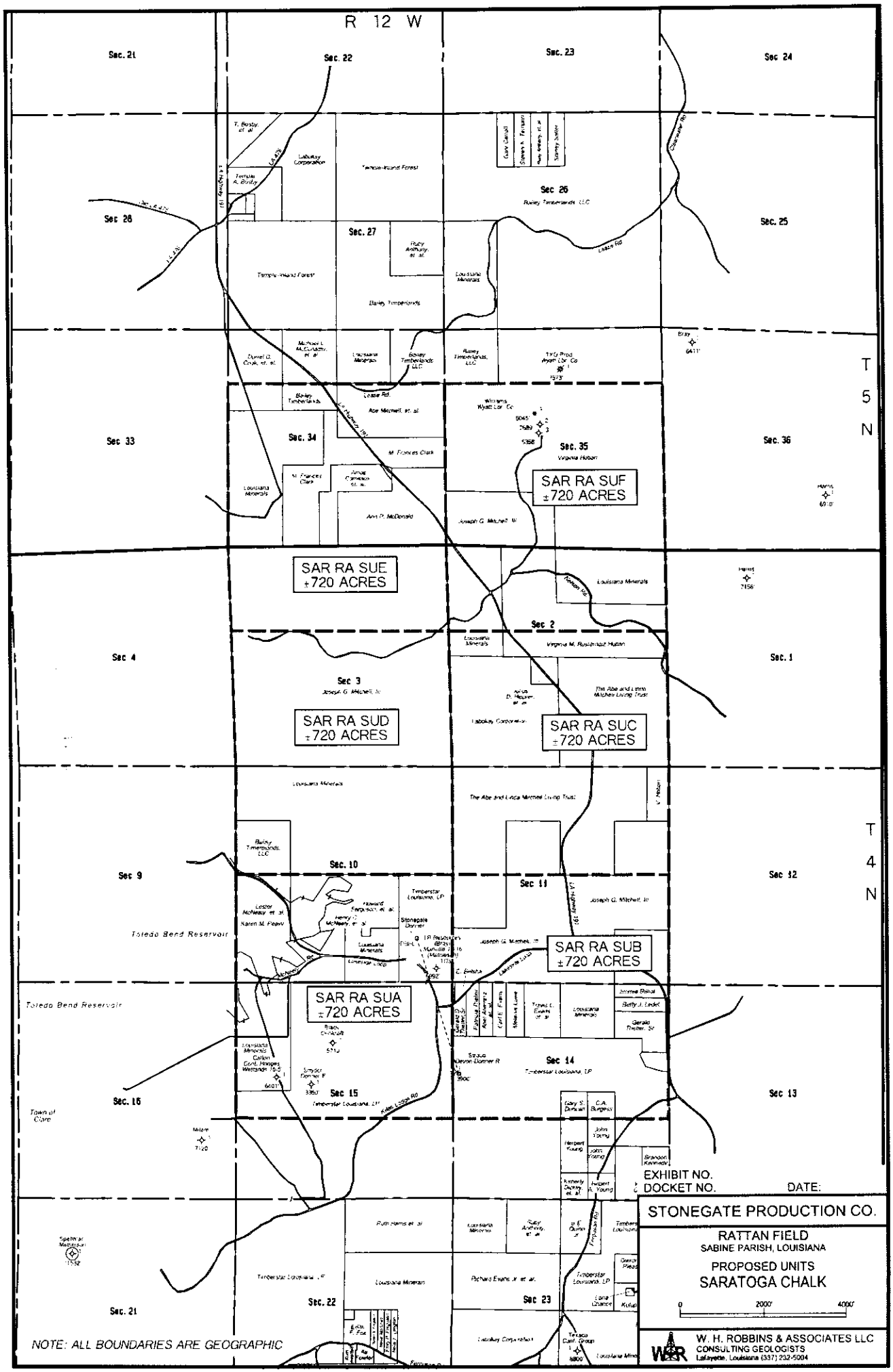
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