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RE: HEARING APPLICATION  
Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A  
Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A  
Elm Grove Field  
Bossier Parish, Louisiana  
Our File No. 430071.202

Dear Sir:

On behalf of QUESTAR EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION COMPANY, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A and the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create three (3) additional drilling and production units (to be designated as HA RA SUKK, HA RA SU56, and HA RA SU57), as shown on the attached plat, for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases, and other property interests within the proposed units, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate a unit operator and unit wells for the proposed units, if appropriate.
4. Except to the extent contrary herewith, to extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 361-L, effective July 29, 2008, to the proposed units.
5. To provide that with respect to future horizontal wells drilled within the proposed units and to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, where the horizontal portion of the well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, the distance to any unit boundary and between wells will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well, and not based on the penetration point or terminus;
6. To redefine the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, INsofar AND ONLY INsofar as to LCV RA SUU, LCV RA SUW and LCV RA SUX, as defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996.
7. Except as to the redefinition noted above, to confirm and continue in full force and effect LCV RA SUU, LCV RA SUW and LCV RA SUX, which were created by Order No. 361-E-15, effective August 18, 1998.

8. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, was initially defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-L, effective July 29, 2008, but shall be redefined INsofar AND ONLY INsofar as HA RA SUKK, HA RA SU56 and HA RA SU57 are concerned, as being the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing zone occurring between the depths of 9,650 feet and 11,426 feet (electrical log measurements) in the KCS Resources, Inc. - Elm Grove Plantation No. 15 Well, located in the Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, was originally defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996 and was redefined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E-99, effective May 20, 2003, insofar as to LCV RA SUU, LCV RA SUW and LCV RA SUX, but shall be further redefined as noted above.

A Pre-Application Conference was held at the offices of Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin & Roberts, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chase Bank Tower, 400 Texas Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, on Friday, February 27, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. In addition to the Applicant's representatives, said conference was attended by the parties shown on the attached attendance list. Following a presentation by Applicant's representatives as to the geological and other bases for its proposal, a general discussion ensued prior to adjournment. It was pointed out by the Applicant that the definition of the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, as redefined in Order No. 361-E-99, effective May 20, 2003, included the Haynesville Zone, and that the Application would request a further redefinition thereof to exclude the Haynesville by defining said zone INsofar AND ONLY INsofar as to LCV RA SUU, LCV RA SUW, and LCV RA SUX, as originally defined in Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996. The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, definition is also redefined as set forth above as to the proposed units. It is anticipated that the hearing regarding the captioned matter will be uncontested.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of the undersigned. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call the undersigned at (318) 221-6858 during normal business hours or write the undersigned at the above address in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained AT THE EXPENSE OF THE REQUESTING PARTY.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, are being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Revised Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$1,510.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

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This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation, to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list, and to the Pre-Application Conference Attendees.

***You may have received this Hearing Application even though your property is not included in the proposed units, because the Revised Rules of Procedure require us to attempt to also notify everyone owning an interest in the area "proximate to" the proposed units.***

***Your receipt of this Hearing Application does not require you to take any action. It is meant to notify you of these proceedings so that you have the opportunity to participate if you so desire.***

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

By:   
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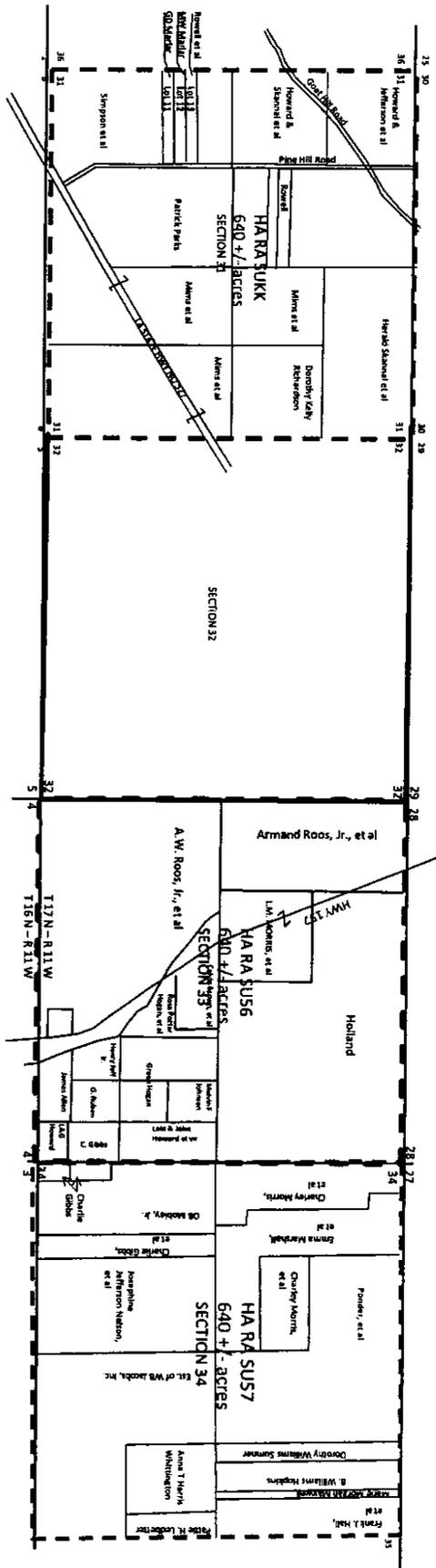
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Enclosures

cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager,  
Office of Conservation (w/enclosures)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties  
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)

Pre-Application Conference  
Attendees (w/copy of plat only)



Proposed Haynesville  
Reservoir A Units

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Proposed Haynesville Reservoir A Units T17N-R11W

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