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VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Mr. Todd Keating
Louisiana Office of Conservation
617 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Re: Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A
Spider Field
DeSoto Parish, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Keating:

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure, a request is hereby made on behalf of **CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.** to authorize it to file for a public hearing related to the establishment of rules and regulations and the creation of a single drilling and production unit for the captioned reservoir, and waiving the twenty (20) day pre-application notice requirement as set forth in Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure.

It is suggested that the twenty (20) day pre-application notice requirement would unduly extend the date of the hearing and issuance of the unitization order, resulting in an undue hardship to Continental and it is respectfully requested that, pursuant to Rule 8, you authorize the filing of the application by Continental and the waiver of such pre-application notice.

Please schedule the hearing for this application, if at all possible, on the same date as the hearing for the BP America Production Company application, dated July 24, 2009, so that these matters may be heard as a consolidated hearing since our proposed units affect the same area as two of BP's proposed units.

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If this request meets with your approval, please notify the undersigned at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,


RANDALL C. SONGY

RCS/smp

Enclosure

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APPLICATION

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

RE: Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A
Spider Field
DeSoto Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC.**, for the calling of a public hearing, after thirty (30) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters related to the **Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A**, in the **Spider Field**, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and a pattern of drilling and production units was created by Office of Conservation Order No. 92-N, effective October 7, 2008, as amended and supplemented by the 92-N Series of Orders, to-wit:

1. To create two (2) additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, such units to be designated HA RA SUX and HA RA SUBB;
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 Continental Resources, Inc. as the operator of, and a unit well for each of the proposed units, if appropriate;
4. To provide that with respect to horizontal wells drilled to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, within or to serve the proposed units, production casing should be run and cemented across the pool in which the well is to be perforated for production, and 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 any offset wells(s) should be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well, and not based on the penetration point or terminus;
5. To extend to the proposed units, to the extent not inconsistent herewith, all pertinent provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 92-N, effective October 7, 2008, as amended and supplemented by the 92-N Series of Orders, and all applicable Statewide Orders; and
6. 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 Spider Field, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 92-N, effective October 7, 2008.

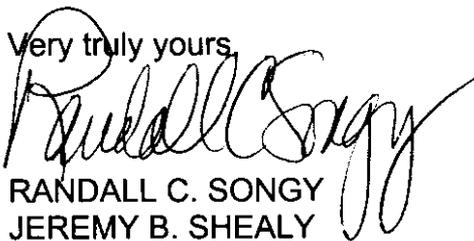
The two proposed units reflected on the attached plat are identical to two of the many units proposed by BP America Production Company ("BP") in its Application dated July 24, 2009 regarding the Spider and Logansport Fields. A pre-application conference was held in the BP unit proceeding in Natchitoches, Louisiana, on July 23, 2009. Continental Resources, Inc. is filing a separate, but identical, unit proposal because it desires to permit and drill the unit wells for these two units.

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure, the Commissioner of Conservation has waived the pre-application notice requirement. **A conference to discuss the proposed application is hereby scheduled for Wednesday, August 12, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., at the Onebane Law Firm, 1200 Camellia Blvd., Suite 300, Lafayette, LA 70508, (337) 237-2660.**

Pertinent data relating to the proposed application can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, by contacting Bill McAlister, with Leon Comeaux & Associates, 305 La Rue France, Lafayette, LA 70508 (337) 233-9839.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the proposed units and a list of the names and addresses of the interested parties to whom this unitization proposal is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed herein is our check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

RANDALL C. SONGY
JEREMY B. SHEALY

RCS/JBS/smp/bad
Enclosures

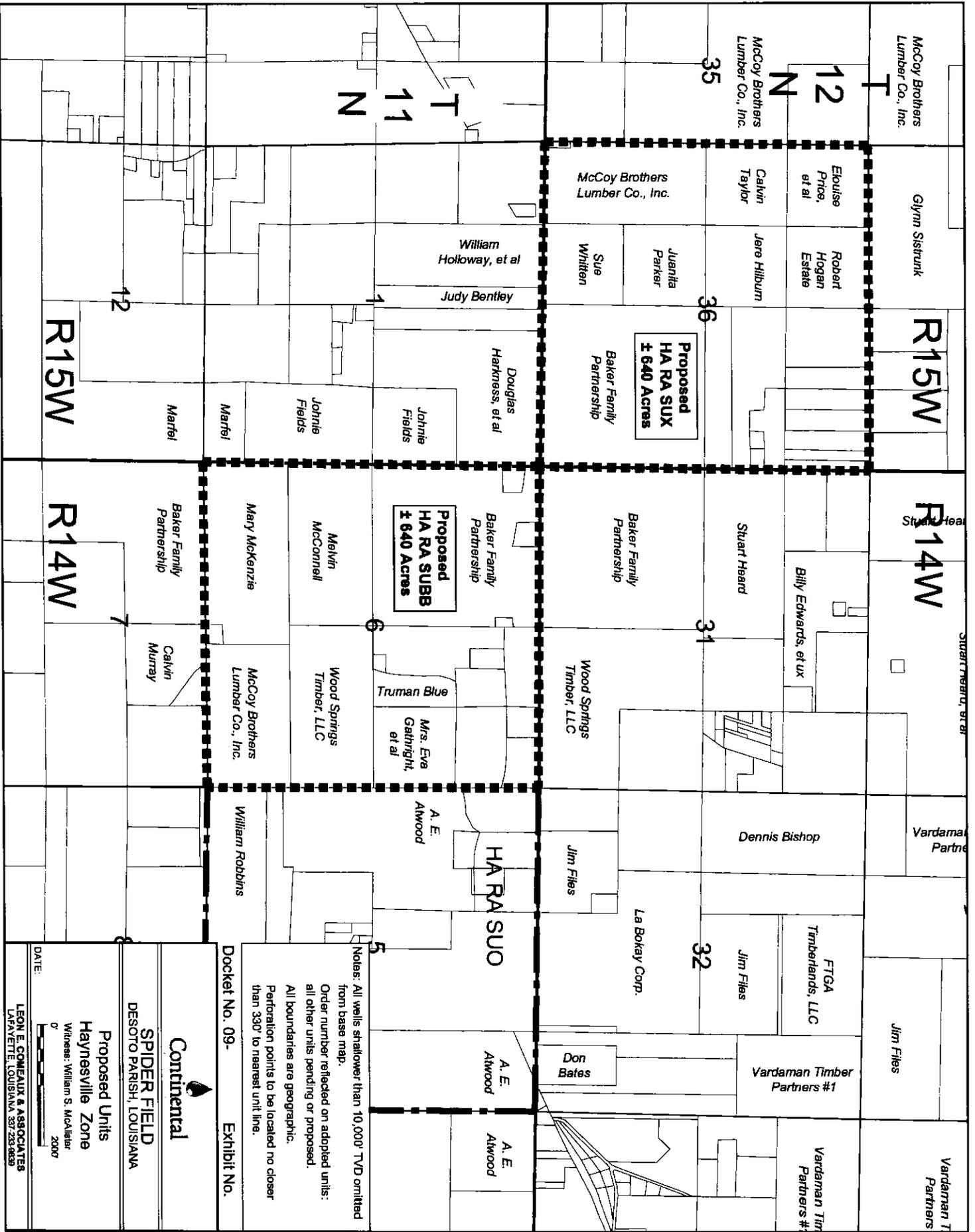
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties,
and Interested Parties

Mr. Jim Broussard, District Manager
Office of Conservation

P.S. To all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties:

You may have received this 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 Application does not require you to attend the conference on August 12, 2009, nor does it require you to take any other action. It is meant to notify you of these proceedings so that you have the opportunity to participate if you so desire.



Notes: All wells shallower than 10,000' TVD omitted from base map.
 Order number reflected on adopted units: all other units pending or proposed.
 All boundaries are geographic.
 Perforation points to be located no closer than 330' to nearest unit line.

Docket No. 09- Exhibit No.

Continental
 SPIDER FIELD
 DESOTO PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Units
 Haynesville Zone
 Witness: William S. McAllister
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 2000

DATE:
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