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

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Hodge-Hunt Sand and Sligo Formation, Reservoir A,
BEAR CREEK FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO E&P COMPANY, L.P. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hodge-Hunt Sand and to the Sligo Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit Applicant to designate and utilize its Harrison A No. 1 Well as an additional alternate unit well for H-H SUJ, and as an additional alternate unit well for SLI RA SUI, said well being located as shown on the attached plats, in exception to the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78, effective February 9, 1944 (applicable to the Hodge-Hunt Sand).
2. To find that designation and use of this proposed alternate unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hodge-Hunt Sand underlying H-H SUJ, and a portion of the Sligo Formation, Reservoir A, underlying SLI RA SUI, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well within these units.
3. To permit the operator of H-H SUJ and of SLI RA SUI to produce the allowables assigned to these units from either the unit well, from any alternate unit well, or from any combination of such wells, at the option of the operator.
4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hodge-Hunt Sand in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 78, effective February 9, 1944, as the Hosston Formation (restricted) and was subsequently renamed the Hodge-Hunt Sand.

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The Sligo Formation, Reservoir A, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 78-X, effective December 1, 1979.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person desiring 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 pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

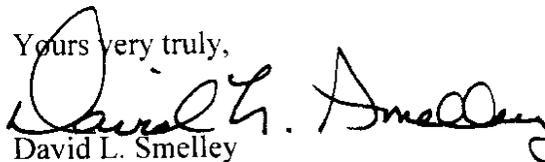
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

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 each of the attached plats, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plats, 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 Bear Creek Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,


David L. Smelley
-- Attorney for El Paso E&P Company, L.P.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. James C. Broussard (w/encls.)
Ms. Mary DiBenedetto (w/encls.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)

HOSS A
SU K
(BRYCE
-LAND)

EL PASO
CUMMINGS
2-ALT
10545

R-6-W 25

EL PASO
(BLACKBIRD)
WILLAMETTE

BLACKBIRD
(CROW MCCORD)
CON CAN

30 EL PASO
(SONAT)
PIPES A

1-ALT 9700

1 EL PASO
(BLACKBIRD)
CUMMINGS
10400

1-ALT 9502

1 7827

EL PASO
CUMMINGS 28
26 1 13170

HOSS A SU I
(BRYCELAND)

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17 35
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EL PASO
(SONAT)
LOE C
1-ALT 10275

EL PASO
ARTHUR
SOUR, ET AL
2-ALT 10324

EL PASO
HARRISON A
2-ALT 10400

EL PASO
(SONAT)
HARRISON A
1-ALT 9305

EL PASO
(SONAT)
CULBERTSON A
1-ALT 10400

SLI RA SU I

R-5-W

EL PASO
ARTHUR
SOUR, ET AL
3-ALT 10170

1000' FNL
1000' FEL

EL PASO
LONETTE JONES
2-ALT 10170

EL PASO
(SONAT)
SOUR ARTHUR
1 12311

EL PASO
(SOUTHERN NAT)
CUMMINGS T J
4 10689

31

EL PASO
LOE
B-3-ALT 10080

EL PASO
(SONAT)
LONETTE JONES
1-ALT 11010

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SOUTHERN NAT GAS CO
HODGE-HUNT LBR CO
1 7947

EL PASO
(SONAT)
PULLIG A
1-ALT 9250

14959

EL PASO
(SONAT)
CUMMINGS T J
6-ALT 10716

EL PASO
T A LOE HRS H
1-ALT 10750
6590 VD

EL PASO
PULLIG
2-ALT 10184

EL PASO
T A LOE
HRS H
1-ALT 12400
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EL PASO
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EL PASO
(SONAT)
CUMMINGS
5 10600

EL PASO
T J CUMMINGS
7-ALT 9990

EL PASO
LA MINERALS C
1-ALT 10130

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EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. 10-

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Company, L.P.

Onshore Development
Houston, Texas

BEAR CREEK FIELD
BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL PLAT
SLIGO RA SU I



DATE:

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LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

LEGEND

- - - SLIGO FORMATION, RESERVOIR A UNITS AS PER 78-X SERIES OF ORDERS
- UNIT WELL
- ALTERNATE UNIT WELL
- △ PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL

WELLS 6500' OR SHALLOWER
REMOVED FROM BASE

SONAT
T J
CUMMINGS
1 7553