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January 5, 2010

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Re: Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A
Lake Bistineau Field
Bienville and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Dear Sir:

Petrohawk Operating Company hereby makes application pursuant to the revised rules of procedure for a public hearing to consider evidence relating to the following matters pertaining to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Lake Bistineau Field, Bienville and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana:

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Lake Bistineau Field, Bienville and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, to be designated HA RA SUSS, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;

2. To force pool and integrate all of the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests located within the proposed unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;

3. To designate a unit well and unit operator, as appropriate;

4. To provide that with respect to horizontal wells drilled to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in or to serve the proposed unit, where the horizontal lateral portion of the well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, the distance to any unit boundary or offset well will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well, and not based on the penetration point or terminus;

5. To the extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 287-F, effective December 16, 2008, as amended and supplemented by the Order No. 287-F Series of Orders, and all applicable Statewide Orders, to the proposed unit, except to the extent inconsistent herewith; and

6. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem appropriate and necessary under the circumstances.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Lake Bistineau Field, Bienville and Bossier Parishes, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 287-F, effective December 16, 2008.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Mr. Craig Barclay, 522 Dumbarton Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana 71106, at telephone number (318) 869-2223.

A Pre-Application Notice letter dated December 21, 2009, was circulated in connection with this matter. There was no request received for a conference; accordingly, no conference will be held.

The proposed unit, HA RA SUSS, comprises all of Irregular Section 28, Township 16 North, Range 10 West. The historical boundary separating Bienville and Bossier Parishes in this area, which was formerly a bayou running through what is now Lake Bistineau, traverses very close to, and possibly crosses, the Northwest corner of Section 28, as that section is projected. It is not clear if the proposed unit is located wholly within Bienville Parish, or possibly whether it may be located in both Bienville and Bossier Parishes. This matter will be addressed as if the proposed unit is located in both parishes, although the "Indefinite Boundary" is shown on the attached plat as located wholly within Bossier Parish, resulting in the unit being wholly within Bienville Parish, which is the most likely scenario.

The list of parties attached to the copies of this application being sent to the Office of Conservation includes the names of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties known to Applicant after a diligent search. A copy of this application, with plat attached, is being sent to each such party. Pursuant to Office of Conservation regulations, the 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 person requesting a copy of it. Enclosed with the copy of this application being sent to the Commissioner is a check for the application fee.

Yours very truly,

COOK, YANCEY, KING & GALLOWAY

J. William Fleming

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Enclosures
cc: James C. Broussard, District Manager
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties
Mr. Craig Barclay
Mr. Aaron Latham

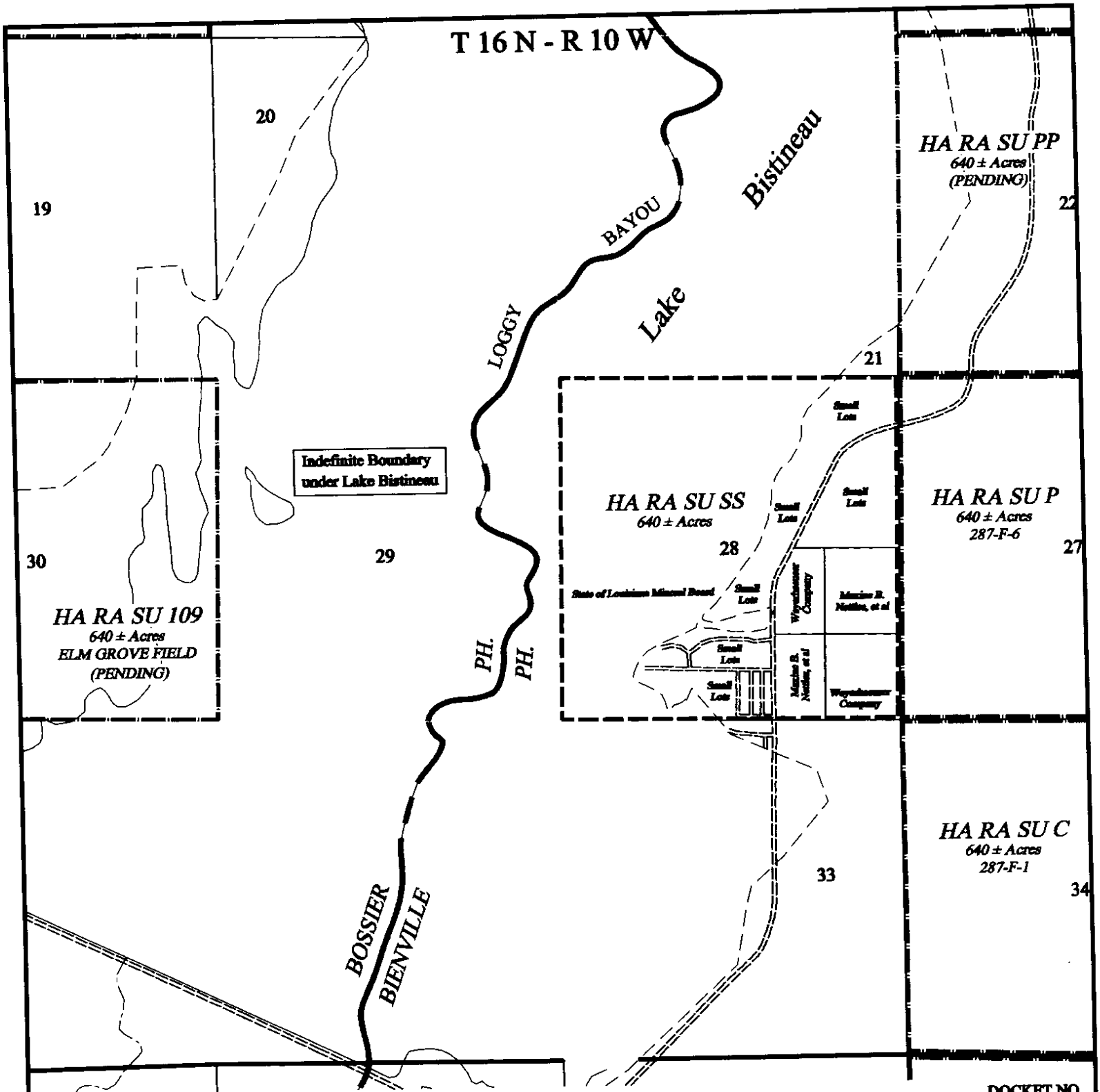

EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO.

PETROHAWK OPERATING COMPANY

Tulsa, Oklahoma

LAKE BISTINEAU FIELD

Bossier and Bienville Parishes, Louisiana

PROPOSED HAYNESVILLE ZONE, RESERVOIR A SAND UNIT SS

:PROPOSED HAYNESVILLE RESERVOIR A SAND UNIT SS

:EXISTING/PENDING HAYNESVILLE RESERVOIR A SAND UNITS

0 2000' 4000'

GRAPHIC SCALE

NOTE: WELLS SHALLOWER THAN 7000' NOT SHOWN

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