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

Re: D-3 RA SUA
AVERY ISLAND FIELD
Iberia Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Texas Petroleum Investment Company 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 D-3 Zone, Reservoir A, in the AVERY ISLAND FIELD, Iberia Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

1. To create a single drilling and production unit for the D-3 Zone, Reservoir A, to be designated the D-3 RA SUA, as shown on the attached plat.
2. To designate Texas Petroleum Investment Company as the unit operator for the proposed D-3 RA SUA.

3. To designate the Texas Petroleum Investment Company – Avery Island Inc. M Well No. 7 as the unit well for the proposed D-3 RA SUA.
4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in the unit production on a surface acre basis of participation.
5. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil, gas and condensate from the said unit.
6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the reservoir by supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted based upon evidence furnished to the Commissioner of Conservation.
7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the D-3 Zone, Reservoir A, in the Avery Island Field, Iberia Parish, Louisiana.

The D-3 Zone, Reservoir A, in the AVERY ISLAND FIELD, Iberia Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that oil, gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the electrical log depths of 15,858' and 16,032' (14,819' and 14,979' TVD) in the Texas Petroleum Investment Company – Avery Island Inc. M Well No. 7 located in Section 23, Township 13 South, Range 5 East, Iberia Parish, Louisiana.

All pertinent data relating to the above proposal may be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Louis Gilbert & Associates, Geologist, 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Metairie, Louisiana 70002; Phone No.: (504) 834-8112.

A pre-application conference was held on March 30, 2010. A copy of the attendance list is attached hereto. At the pre-application conference, Patrick S. Ottinger opened the meeting. Louis Gilbert explained the basis of the application. An opportunity for questions and answers ensued. No person stated an intent to file an opposition or submit a counter-plan with respect to this application.

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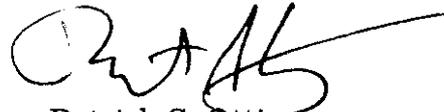
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the proposed D-3 Zone, Reservoir A, in the Avery Island Field, Iberia Parish, Louisiana. Also enclosed herewith to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager is a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent; however, a copy of this list will be provided to any party upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice which issues in respect of this application, and of the enclosed plat, 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 the Avery Island Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Additionally, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner of Conservation.

In addition, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation in the amount of \$755.00, in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

OTTINGER HEBERT, L.L.C.



Patrick S. Ottinger

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

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D-3 RA SU A
Avery Island Inc. M No. 7
+/- 80 Acres

Avery Island, Inc.
Texas Petroleum Investment

Chas. G. Hooks, Etal

Texas Crude
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TPIC
Avery Island, Inc.

M-7

16,420' MD
15,334' TVD

SL 4
15,830'

9S 1 15
15,338' MD

9S 2 15
15,306' TVD

15,688' MD

15,627' TVD

Texas Crude
Petit Anse Texas Crude
Petit Anse

State
Lease 532

3,076'

SL 10 11
15,550' MD

15,391' TVD

Humble
Petit Anse

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15,440' MD
15,295' TVD

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EXHIBIT No.

DOCKET No. 10-

TEXAS PETROLEUM INVESTMENT COMPANY

AVERY ISLAND FIELD
IBERIA PARISH, LOUISIANA

Proposed Unit
D-3 ZONE, RESERVOIR A



Date: _____ averyisland.dgn

Geology: LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

----- - PROPOSED UNIT

○ - UNIT WELL

NOTE: ALL UNIT BOUNDARIES
ARE GEOGRAPHIC

