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

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Formation, Reservoir B; Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B; and Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; WOODARDVILLE FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EMPRESA ENERGY, 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 Hosston Formation, Reservoir B; to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B; and to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; all in the Woodardville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create four (4) additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, such units being shown on an attached plat and being designated HOSS RB SU92 through HOSS RB SU95.
2. To create four (4) additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B, such units being shown on an attached plat and being designated CV RB SU92 through CV RB SU95.
3. To create four (4) additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, such units being shown on an attached plat and being designated HA RA SU84 through HA RA SU87.
4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed additional units 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.
5. To designate a unit operator of, and unit wells for, the proposed additional units as may be appropriate.
6. To provide that for horizontal wells drilled within or to serve the proposed units for the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, where the horizontal portion of the well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, the distance to any unit boundary and any offset well(s) will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well and not based on the penetration point or terminus.

7. To permit Applicant to combine downhole production from the Hosston Formation, Reservoir B; the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B; and the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; or any combination thereof, in any well drilled on the identical units proposed herein for these formations in which the interests in the units from which production is to be combined downhole are identical.

8. To redefine the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B, INSOFAR AND ONLY INSOFAR as to the additional units proposed herein, as being that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 9,383 feet and 10,200 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Questar Exploration and Production Co. (formerly Will-Drill Production Co., Inc.)--Woodard Villa Inc. No. 1 Well, located in Section 27, Township 15 North, Range 9 West, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

9. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 990-C series of Orders, and of all applicable Statewide Orders, to the proposed additional units for the Hosston Formation, Reservoir B.

10. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 990-B series of Orders, and of all applicable Statewide Orders, to the proposed additional units for the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B.

11. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 990-D series of Orders, and of all applicable Statewide Orders, to the proposed additional units for the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A.

12. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, in the Woodardville Field, Bienville and Red River Parishes, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 990-C, effective February 1, 2006, and was further defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 990-C-8, effective January 9, 2007.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir B, in the Woodardville Field, Bienville and Red River Parishes, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 990-B, effective September 13, 2005, and was redefined as to certain units in subsequent Orders of the 990-B series of Orders.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Woodardville Field, Bienville and Red River Parishes, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 990-D, effective July 15, 2008.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing 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

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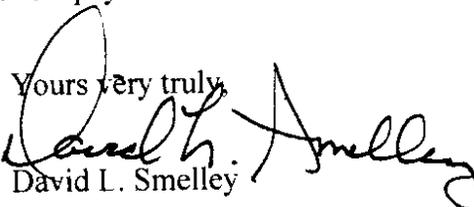
copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated June 8, 2010, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set June 30, 2010, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. No timely conference request was received; accordingly, no pre-application conference will be held.

Pursuant to the Revised 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 each of the unit plats (which are identical to the unit plats attached to the pre-application notice) is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and 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 as 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 Woodardville Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, 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.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,  
  
David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Empresa Energy, L.P.

DLS:dp  
Enclosures

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

**EMPRESA ENERGY, LP**

**WOODARDVILLE FIELD**  
BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT PLAT  
**HOSSTON FORMATION,**  
**RESERVOIR B**

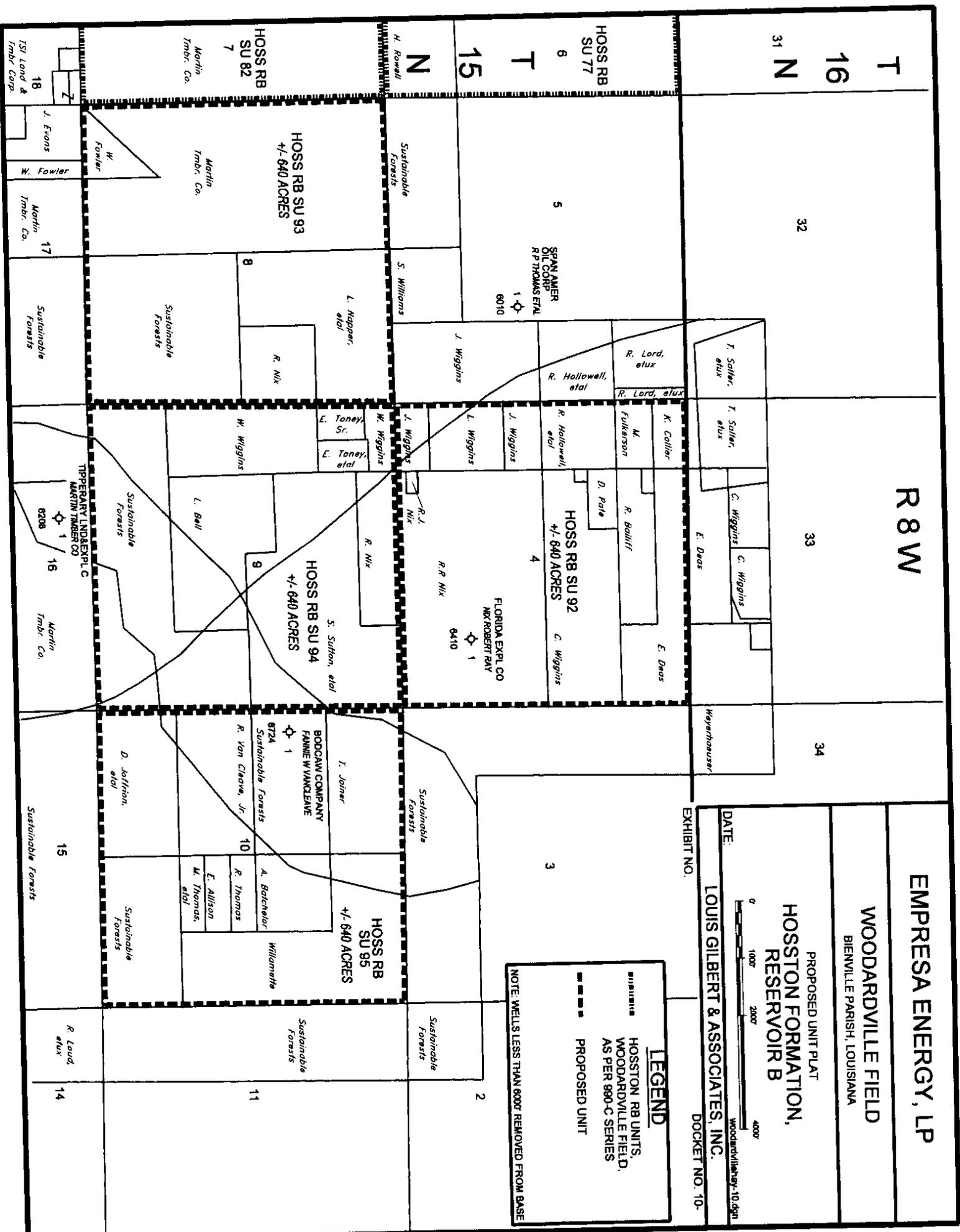


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LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

EXHIBIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DOCKET NO. 10-

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NOTE: WELLS LESS THAN 8000' REMOVED FROM BASE





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BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

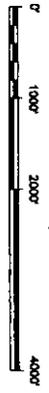
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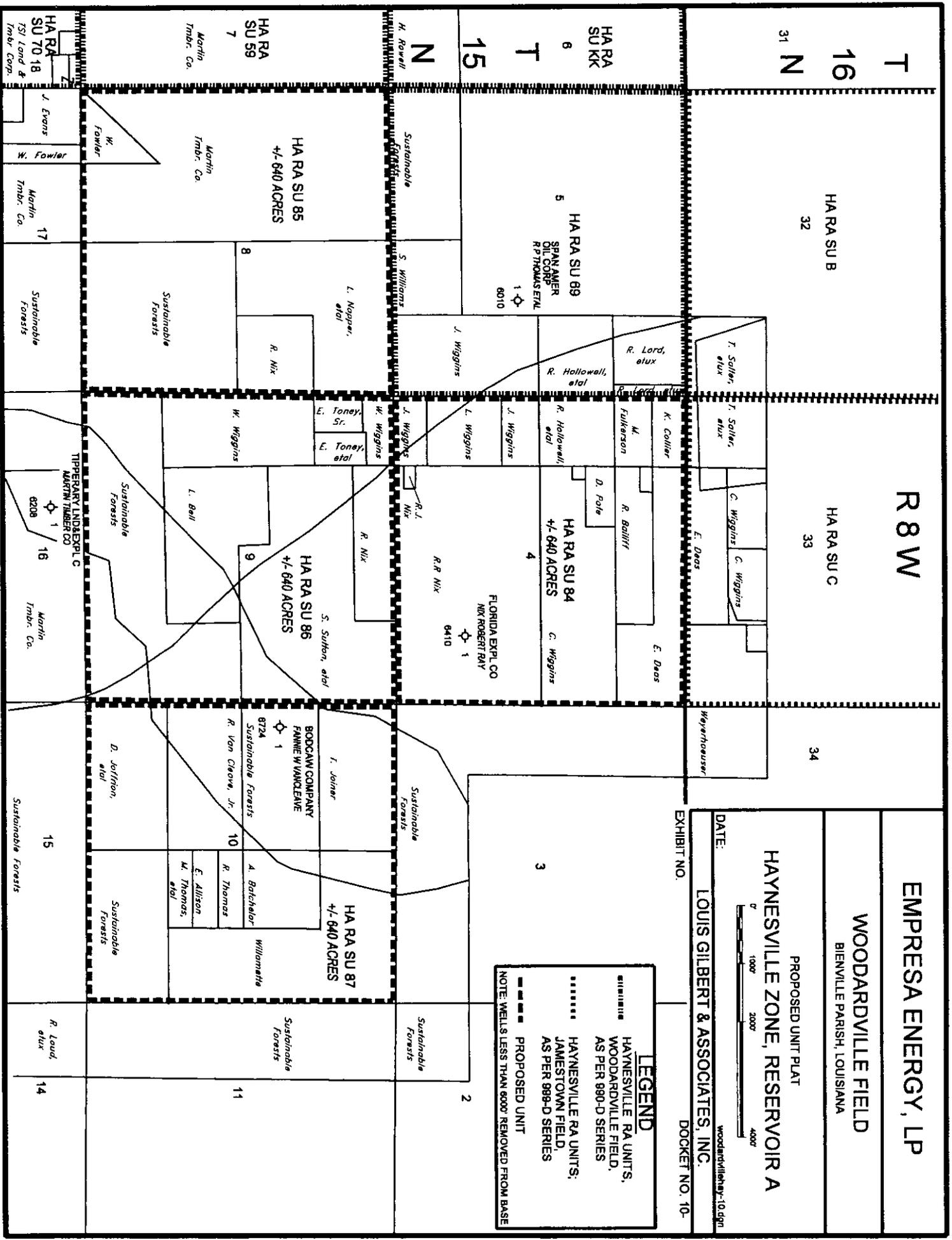
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- PROPOSED UNIT

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