

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That MARATHON OIL COMPANY, an Ohio corporation, hereby constitutes and appoints Robert H. Steed, its Casper Division Exploration Manager, as its Attorney-in-Fact for the limited purposes herein stated.

The Attorney-in-Fact is authorized and empowered in the name, and on behalf of, Marathon Oil Company to: execute and accept for and on behalf of Marathon Oil Company, as Lessee, oil and gas leases taken in the name of the Company or assigned to it, and amendments and ratifications of leases; assign oil and gas leases and to release and cancel the same; execute on behalf of this Company unit agreements, division orders, farmout agreements, and right of way agreements; accept on behalf of this Company change of depositories and subordination agreements limited to subordinating others' interests to that of this Company; and execute for and on behalf of this Company instruments, contracts, and agreements relative to drilling, operation and development of the Company's properties.

The powers and authority herein granted to the Attorney-in-Fact are further expressly limited to instruments affecting or pertaining to the Company's properties located within the following States: Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Washington, Oregon, and California.

This Power of Attorney shall continue in full force and effect until revoked by instrument duly executed and recorded.

EXECUTED this 1st day of May, 1978.

WITNESSES:

MARATHON OIL COMPANY



Susan M. Stout

By RR Burke
Vice President

Susan L. Ford

Attest: J. H. Jones
Assistant Secretary



STATE OF OHIO }
COUNTY OF HANCOCK } SS.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, on this day personally appeared R. H. Burke and J. H. Jones known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and known to me to be Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of MARATHON OIL COMPANY, an Ohio corporation, which executed the foregoing instrument, and who, being first duly sworn, acknowledged to me the execution of the foregoing instrument in the name of and upon behalf of said corporation as such officers respectively; that the same is their free act and deed as such officers respectively and the free and corporate act and deed of said corporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed; that they were authorized thereunto by its Board of Directors; and that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of such corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal at Findlay, Ohio, this 1st day of May, 1978.



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Marathon Oil Co.
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MARY LOU SMITH
NOTARY PUBLIC, HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 28, 1981

Mary Lou Smith
Notary Public

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