

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
ASSIGNMENT AFFECTING RECORD TITLE
TO OIL AND GAS LEASE

100573

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0034
Expires: August 31, 1983

Lease Serial No.
N - 16899

Lease effective date
JANUARY 1, 1979
FOR BLM OFFICE USE ONLY

New Serial No.

PART I

1. Assignee's Name

SEE ATTACHED RIDER.
Address (include zip code)

The undersigned, as owner of 22.5% percent of the record title of the above-designated oil and gas lease, hereby transfers and assigns to the assignee shown above, the record title interest in and to such lease as specified below.

2. Describe the lands affected by this assignment

BUT INsofar ONLY AS IT COVERS:
TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST, M.D.M.
SECTION 23: ALL.
SECTION 26: ALL.
1,280.00 acres, more or less.
Eureka County, Nevada.

Assignment approved as to lands described below

SAME AS ITEM 2

3. Specify interest or interests in record title interest being conveyed to assignee 11.25%

4. Specify interest or interests in record title interest being retained by assignor, if any 11.25%

5. Specify overriding royalty being reserved by assignor -0-

6. Specify overriding royalty previously reserved or conveyed, if any SEE ATTACHED RIDER 5.000Z

7. If any payments out of production have previously been created out of this lease, or if any such payments are being reserved under this assignment, attach statement giving full details as to amount, method of payment, and other pertinent terms as provided under 43 CFR 3106. It is agreed that the obligation to pay any overriding royalties or payments out of production of oil created herein, which, when added to overriding royalties or payments out of production previously created and to the royalty payable to the United States, aggregate in excess of 17 1/2 percent, shall be suspended when the average production of oil per well per day averaged on the monthly basis is 15 barrels or less.

I CERTIFY That the statements made herein are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Executed this 17th day of MAY, 19 85.
APC OPERATING PARTNERSHIP
Stanley F. Schindler
(Assignor's Signature)

ATTEST:
Barbara G. Nielson
Barbara G. Nielson, Ass't Secretary
1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 4900
(Assignor's Address)

Stanley F. Schindler, Vice President of Apache Corporation, the Sole General Partner of APC Operating Partnership.

Denver, Co 80203-4549
(City) (State)



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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Assignment approved effective SEP 01 1985
By William K. Stone
(Authorized Officer)

80-NV-01, Expl. Agmt.
84-NV-04, ORRI Purch.
DEPCO's NV-00150 APC ---NV001-19167

Acting Chief, Branch of Lands & Minerals Operations
OCT 02 1985
(Date)

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RIDER ATTACHED TO ASSIGNMENT PERTAINING TO N-16899 (DEPCO's NV-00150) APC

1. ASSIGNEE'S NAME, ADDRESS AND PERCENT:
- DEPCO, Inc..... 61.25% of 11.25% = 6.89% total
1000 Petroleum Building
110 Sixteenth Street
Denver, Colorado 80202
 - NICOR Exploration Company..... 27.50% of 11.25% = 3.09% total
1667 Cole Boulevard
Golden, Colorado 80401
 - M. B. Rudran..... 11.25% of 11.25% = 1.27% total
711 Mercantile Dallas Building
Dallas, Texas 75201
6. SPECIFY OVERRIDE PREVIOUSLY RESERVED OR CONVEYED, IF ANY:
- DEPCO, Inc..... 2 1/2% override owned
 - M. Peyton Bucy et ux..... 1 1/2% override owned
 - Harry K. Veal et ux..... 1 1/2% override owned

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Executed this 17th day of MAY, 19 85.

APC OPERATING PARTNERSHIP

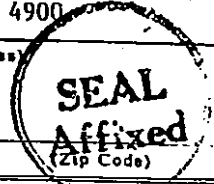
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Denver, Co 80273-4549
(City) (State)



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(Date)

ASSIGNEE'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT

A. ASSIGNEE CERTIFIES THAT the assignee and all other parties in interest (as defined in 43 CFR 3100.0-5(b)) in this assignment are:

- 1. Citizens of the United States or qualified alien stockholders in a domestic corporation; associations of the United States; or any State or Territory thereof; or municipalities.
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- 3. In compliance with the acreage limitation set forth in 43 CFR 3101.1-5 and 3101.2-4.

B. ASSIGNEE AGREES That, upon approval of this assignment by the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management, he will be bound by the terms and conditions of the lease described herein as to the lands covered by this assignment, including, but not limited to, the obligation to pay all rentals and royalties due and accruing under said lease, to condition all wells for proper abandonment, to restore the leased lands upon completion of any drilling operations as prescribed in the lease, and to furnish and maintain such bond as may be required by the lessor to assure compliance with the terms and conditions of the lease and the applicable regulations.

C. I, K. G. Ranum, HEREBY CERTIFIED That the statements made herein are true, complete, and correct to the best of undersigned's belief and are made in good faith.

Executed this 16th day of July, 1985
DEPCO, Inc.

K. G. Ranum
(Assignee's Signature)

K. G. Ranum, Vice President

ATTEST:
Michael D. Shepard
Michael D. Shepard, Secretary

1000 Petroleum Bldg.

(Assignee's Address)

110 - 16th Street

Denver, CO 80202

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

STATE OF COLORADO)
CITY AND) ss.
COUNTY OF DENVER)

On this 17th day of May, 1985, before me personally appeared Stanley F. Schindler, to me personally known who, being by me duly sworn, did say he is Vice President of APACHE CORPORATION, the Sole General Partner of APC OPERATING PARTNERSHIP, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and that he acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on this 17th of May

My commission expires: 02/22/86

Dorbin Lim
Dorbin Lim, Notary Public
1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 4900
Denver, CO 80203-4549

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF DENVER) ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 16th of July 1985 by K. G. Ranum, Vice President of DEPCO, Inc. a Delaware corporation on behalf of the corporation.

My commission expires:

June 19, 1989

DEPCO, Inc.
1000 Petroleum Building
Denver, Colorado 80202

Deanna L. Leiff
Notary Public
110 16th Street
1000 Petroleum Building
Denver, Colorado 80202

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- C. IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED That the statements made herein are true, complete, and correct to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

NICOR Exploration Company
Executed this 26th day of July, 19 85

BY: Robert W. Kearby
(Assignee's Signature)
Robert W. Kearby, Vice President

(Assignee's Address)
1667 Cole Boulevard
Golden, CO 80401
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

BY: Stephen E. Hollonbeck
Stephen E. Hollonbeck, Assistant Secretary

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STATE OF COLORADO }
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON }

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 26th day of July, 19 85 by Robert W. Kearby, Vice President of NICOR Exploration Company a Delaware corporation on behalf of the corporation.

NOTARY PUBLIC
BRIDGEWATER
My commission expires: 10/15/89
STATE OF COLORADO

Sherry T. Bridgewater
Notary Public
1667 Cole Boulevard
Golden, CO 80401

- (1) The adjudication of the assignee's rights to the land or resources.
- (2) Documentation for public information in support of notations made on land status records for the management, disposal, and use of public lands and resources.
- (3) Transfer to appropriate Federal agencies when concurrence is required prior to granting a right in public lands or resources.
- (4)(5) Information from the record and/or the record will be transferred to appropriate Federal, State, local or foreign agencies, when relevant to civil, criminal or regulatory investigations or prosecutions.

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION - If all the information is not provided, the assignment may be rejected.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) requires us to inform you that:
Bureau of Land Management collects this information pursuant to the law (see 43 CFR 3105-3(c)).
Bureau of Land Management uses the information to create a record of lease assignment and to determine the qualifications of assignees.
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ASSIGNEE'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT

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Executed this 22nd day of July, 1985.

M. B. RUDMAN

By:

Sherral Goodwin
(Assignee's Signature)

711 Mercantile Dallas Building

(Assignee's Address)

Sherral Goodwin, Attorney-in-Fact

Dallas, Texas 75201
 (City) (State) (Zip Code)

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STATE OF TEXAS I
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 COUNTY OF DALLAS I

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22nd day of July, 1985, by SHERRAL GOODWIN, Attorney-in-Fact for M. B. RUDMAN.

ALICE H. HOWE

Notary Public for State of Texas
My Commission Expires 10-31-88

Alice H. Howe
 Notary Public in and for
 The State of Texas

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Affixed

provide that you be furnished the following information in connection with information required by this assignment and request for approval.

AUTHORITY: 30 U.S.C. 181 et. seq.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE - The information is to be used to process the assignment and request for approval.

ROUTINE USES:

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RECORDED AT REQUEST OF
DEPCO, Inc
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OFFICIAL RECORDS
 EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA
 N.M. REGALEAL RECORDER
 FILE NO: 100523
 FEE \$ 9.00

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