

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
NEVADA STATE OFFICE  
850 HARVARD WAY  
P. O. BOX 12000  
RENO, NEVADA 89520

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached reproduction(s) is a copy of documents  
on file in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the  
seal of this office to be affixed on the above day and year.

*Katherine M. Taylor*  
(Authorized Signature)

RENO, NEVADA  
(Office Location)

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BLM 270-13  
(January 1988)

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

FORM APPROVED  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
NO. 1004-6  
Revised August 31, 1985

Lease Serial No.  
N - 16900

Lease effective date  
JANUARY 1, 1979

FOR BLM OFFICE USE ONLY

New Serial No.

PART I  
1. Assignor's Name  
DEPCO, Inc.  
Address (include zip code)  
1000 Petroleum Building, 110 Sixteenth Street  
Denver, Colorado 80202  
9:00 AM SEP 2 1985  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
NEVADA LAND OFFICE  
NEVADA STATE OFFICE  
RENO, NEVADA

The undersigned, as owner of 32.14% 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

Assignment approved as to lands described below

BUT IN SO FAR ONLY AS IT COVERS:  
TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST, M.D.M.  
SECTION 13: ALL.  
SECTION 14: ALL.  
SECTION 24: N<sup>1/2</sup>, S<sup>1/2</sup>.  
1,760.00 acres, more or less.  
Eureka County, Nevada.

SAME AS ITEM 2

THIS ASSIGNMENT IS MADE WITHOUT ANY  
REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF TITLE,  
EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED.

Approval does not warrant that either  
party to this transfer holds legal  
or equitable title to this lease.

3. Specify interest or percent of assignor's record title interest being conveyed to assignee	4.640%
4. Specify interest or percent of record title interest being retained by assignor, if any	27.500%
5. Specify overriding royalty being reserved by assignor	-0-
6. Specify overriding royalty previously reserved or conveyed, if any	5.000%
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 3104. 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 to 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 18th day of AUGUST 1986

NICOR Exploration Company

By: *[Signature]*  
Name/Title: (Assignor's Signature)

1667 Cole Boulevard

(Assignor's Address)

ATTEST: *[Signature]*  
Name/Title: REBECCA R. STRAUSS

Golden Colorado 80401  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Title 18 U.S.C., Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Assignment approved effective  
80-NV-01, Expl. Agent.  
84-NV-04, ORRI Purch.  
DEPCO's NV-00151 N  
MDS/rc

OCT 01 1986

By: *[Signature]*  
(Authorized Officer)

Chief, Branch of Lands  
& Minerals Operations

OCT 20 1986

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(Date)

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## PART II

## ASSIGNEE'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the assignee and all other parties in interest (as defined in 43 CFR 3100.0-1) in this assignment are:

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.

Of the age of majority in the State where the lands to be assigned are located.

3. In compliance with the acreage limitation set forth in 43 CFR 3101.1-3 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. 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.

Executed this 23rd day of September, 1986.  
DEPCO, Inc.

(Assignee's Signature)

K. G. Ranum, Vice President  
ATTEST:

By: Michael D. Shepard, Secretary

110-16th St.

(Assignee's Address)  
1000 Petroleum Bldg.

Denver

CO.

80202

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. USE OF FORM - Use only for assignment of record title interest in oil and gas leases. If more than one assignment is made out of a lease, a separate instrument of transfer is required for each assignment. A separate instrument of assignment shall be used for each lease out of which an assignment is made.
2. FILING AND NUMBER OF COPIES - File three (3) completed and manually signed copies at the appropriate BLM office. A \$25.00 non-refundable filing fee must accompany the assignment. File assignment within ninety (90) days after date of final execution.
3. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ASSIGNMENT - Assignment, if approved, takes effect on the first day of the month following the date of filing of all required papers. If bond is necessary, it must be furnished prior to approval of the assignment.
4. EFFECT OF ASSIGNMENT - Approval of assignment of a definitely described portion of the leased lands creates separate leases of the retained and the assigned portions. It does not change the terms and conditions of the lease or the lease anniversary date for purposes of payment of annual rental.
5. A copy of the lease out of which this assignment is made should be obtained from the assignor.

## NOTICE

The Privacy Act of 1974 and the regulation in 43 CFR 2.40(d) 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 - This information is to be used to process the assignment and request for approval.

## ROUTINE USES:

- (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 3106-3(c)).

Bureau of Land Management uses the information to create a record of lease assignment and to determine the qualifications of assignees.

Federal lessee is obligated to report this information under provisions of 43 CFR 3106.

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## PART II

## ASSIGNEE'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT

BE CERTIFIED THAT the assignee and all other parties in interest (as defined in 43 CFR 3100.1-2) in this instrument 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.
  2. Of the age of majority in the State where the lands to be assigned are located.
  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. 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.

Executed this 23rd day of September, 1986.  
DEPCO, Inc.

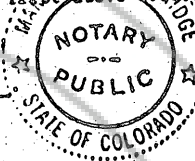
K. G. Ranum  
(Assignee's Signature) 110-16th St.  
1000 Petroleum Bldg.  
(Assignee's Address)  
ATTEST: Michael D. Shepard Denver CO. 80202  
By: Michael D. Shepard, Secretary (City) (State) (Zip Code)

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) SS.  
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON )

On this 23rd day of September, 1986, before me personally appeared K. G. Ranum, known to me to be the Vice President of NICOR Exploration Company that executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath stated that he was authorized to execute said instrument and that the seal affixed is the corporate seal of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.

My commission expires: 1/1/89



Michael D. Shepard  
Notary Public in and for the  
State of Colorado  
1667 Cole Boulevard  
Golden, Colorado 80401

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

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) SS.  
COUNTY OF DENVER )

On September 23rd 1986, personally appeared before me, a notary public, K. G. Ranum, Vice President of the corporation who acknowledged that he executed the above instrument.

My commission expires:

June 19th, 1989

Dorinda L. Williams  
Notary Public

110-16th St.  
Denver, CO. 80202

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Dorinda Williams 6:1 Producers  
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OFFICIAL RECORDS  
EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA  
M.H. REBALEATI, RECORDER  
FILE NO. FEE \$ 8.00

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