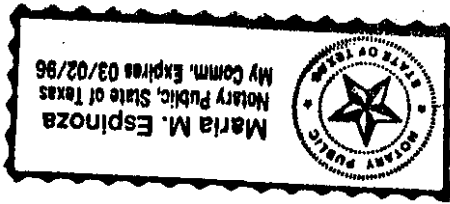


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My Commission Expires:

Maria M. Espinoza
Notary Public

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and official seal as of the date hereinabove stated.

therein mentioned.
in-fact, freely and voluntarily and for the uses and purposes thereto as Managing General Partner, and his own name as Attorney-Partner on behalf of SUN OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument as Attorney-in-Fact of ORYX ENERGY COMPANY, as Managing General Partner on behalf of SUN OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, on this the 16th day of January, 1995, personally David E. Mc Clellan, known to me to be

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

By: David E. Mc Clellan
Attorney-in-Fact

SUN OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
BY ORYX ENERGY COMPANY
ITS MANAGING GENERAL PARTNER

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this instrument is executed this 16th day of January, 1995.

THAT, SUN OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Delaware Limited Partnership, acting by and through its Managing General Partner, ORYX ENERGY COMPANY, P. O. Box 2880, Dallas, Texas 75221-2880, does hereby release, relinquish and surrender all of its right, title and interest in and to the oil and gas leases identified and described on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof, as to all lands covered thereby, said oil and gas leases being recorded in the records of and covering lands situated in the Counties of Elko and Eureka, State of Nevada.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

RELEASE OF OIL AND GAS LEASES

STATE OF NEVADA
COUNTY OF ELKO & EUREKA

EXHIBIT "A"
Attached to and made a part of
Ordinary 16, 1995
Release dated
Elko and Eureka Counties, Nevada

ORXX LEASE NO.: 724488-000

SOUTHERN PACIFIC NO.:

5905

Southern Pacific Land Company
LESSOR:
LESSEE: Sun Exploration and Production Company
and Reading & Bates Petroleum Co.

LEASE DATE: 12/1/82

RECORDING:

EUREKA COUNTY
BOOK 111, PAGE 68
ELKO COUNTY
BOOK 422, PAGE 130

DESCRIPTION:

Township 28 North, Range 52 East
Section 1: Lot 1 (NE/4 NE/4), Lot 2
(NW/4 NE/4), Lot 3 (NE/4 NW/4), Lot 4
(NW/4 NW/4), S/2 N/2
Section 3: Lot 1 (NE/4 NE/4), Lot 2
(NW/4 NE/4), S/2 NE/4
Section 5: NE/4
Section 7: NE/4
Section 9: NE/4
Section 11: NE/4
Section 23: W/2
Section 27: NE/4, W/2
Section 29: NE/4
Section 31: NE/4
Section 33: NE/4
Section 35: ALL

ORXX LEASE NO.:

SOUTHERN PACIFIC NO.:

724489-000

Southern Pacific Land Company
LESSOR:
LESSEE: Sun Exploration and Production Company
and Reading & Bates Petroleum Co.

LEASE DATE: 12/1/82

RECORDING:

EUREKA COUNTY
BOOK 111, PAGE 75
ELKO COUNTY
BOOK 422, Page 137

DESCRIPTION:

Township 29 North, Range 52 East
Section 3: ALL
Section 5: Lot 2 (NW/4 NE/4)
Section 7: NE/4
Section 9: NE/4
Section 11: W/2
Section 15: ALL
Section 17: NE/4 NW/4
Section 19: NE/4
Section 21: NE/4
Section 23: NE/4
Section 25: NE/4
Section 27: NE/4
Section 29: NE/4
Section 31: NE/4
Section 33: NE/4
Section 35: ALL

ORXX LEASE NO.:

SOUTHERN PACIFIC NO.:

724490-000

Southern Pacific Land Company
LESSOR:
LESSEE: Sun Exploration and Production Company
and Reading & Bates Petroleum Co.

LEASE DATE: 12/1/82

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Santa Fe Energy Resources

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Township 30 North, Range 52 East

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ELKO COUNTY
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EUREKA COUNTY

LEASE DATE:

12/1/82

LESSEE:

Sun Exploration and Production Company
and Reading & Bates Petroleum Co.

LESSOR:

5908

SOUTHERN PACIFIC NO.:

724491-000

ORXX LEASE NO.:

Section 11: All

Section 9: NE/4

Section 7: NE/4

Section 5: Lot 2 (NW/4 NE/4), S/2 NE/4

(NW/4 NE/4), S/2 NE/4

Section 3: Lot 1 (NE/4 NE/4), Lot 2

Section 1: All

DESCRIPTION:

Township 30 North, Range 52 East

RECORDING:

BOOK 115, PAGE 188
ELKO COUNTY
BOOK 435, PAGE 626