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**RELEASE OF LIEN**

WHEREAS, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1996, Providence Energy Corp. (the "Grantor"), whose address is 3838 Oaklawn, Suite 1222, Dallas, Texas 75219, did execute, acknowledge and deliver for the use and benefit of Compass Bank, (the "Bank") that certain Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage, Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Assignment of Production (the "Mortgage"), covering various oil and gas properties owned by Grantor, which is recorded as set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes, and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 1996 the Bank extended additional credit to the Grantor and Grantor executed that certain Mortgage, Open-Ended Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage, Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Assignment of Production (the "Second Mortgage") dated August 26, 1996, which instrument was recorded as set forth on Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes,

WHEREAS, the Loan Agreement referenced in the Mortgage and the Second Mortgage was renewed and extended and pursuant to such renewal and extension the Grantor and Bank executed that certain Mortgage, Open-Ended Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage, Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Assignment of Production (the "Third Mortgage") dated February 13, 1997, which instrument was recorded as set forth on Exhibit "C" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

WHEREAS, the Loan Agreement referenced in the Mortgage, the Second Mortgage and the Third Mortgage was again renewed and extended and pursuant to such renewal and extension the Grantor and Bank executed that certain Amendment to Mortgage (the "Fourth Mortgage") dated March 1, 1998, which instrument was recorded as set forth on Exhibit "D" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

WHEREAS, the Loan Agreement referenced in the Mortgage, the Second Mortgage and the Third Mortgage was again renewed and extended and pursuant to such renewal and extension the Grantor and Bank executed that certain Amendment to Mortgage (the "Fifth Mortgage") dated September 29, 1998, which instrument was recorded as set forth on Exhibit "E" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

WHEREAS the Bank is the legal and equitable owner and holder of the Mortgage; the Second Mortgage, the Third Mortgage, the Fourth Mortgage and the Fifth Mortgage (collectively the "Mortgages");

WHEREAS the Grantor has repaid in full the indebtedness secured by the Mortgages and has requested that the Bank release its lien created by the Mortgages.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bank, in consideration of the payment of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgages, has this day and does by these presents RELEASE, DISCHARGE and QUITCLAIM unto the Grantor and its successors and assigns all of the titles, liens, interests and estates arising under and pursuant to the Mortgages, and the Bank does hereby declare the same FULLY RELEASED.

Executed on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2000.

COMPASS BANK, N.A. 24 Greenway Plaza  
1298 8080 N. Central Expressway Ste 1400  
Dallas, Texas 75206 Houston, TX 77046

By: Kathleen J. Bower  
Title: Vice President

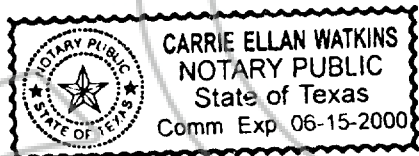
STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Dallas

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2000, by Kathleen J. Bower, Vice President of COMPASS BANK, a national banking association, on behalf of said bank.

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Carrie Ellen Watkins  
Notary Public, State of Texas

My Commission Expires: 6-15-02

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Exhibit "A"

Recording Information for Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage,  
Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and  
Assignment of Production dated June 5, 1996, from Providence Energy  
Corp. to Compass Bank

Instrument	County and State	Recording Information
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Sutter County, California	Instrument No. 199609838
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Chaves County, New Mexico	Volume 266, Page 689
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Eddy County, New Mexico	Volume 253, Page 1120
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Roosevelt County, New Mexico	Volume 33, Page 1027
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Campbell County, Wyoming	Volume 1387, Page 408
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Carbon County, Wyoming	Volume 930, Page 375
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Crook County, Wyoming	Volume 344, Page 392
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Johnson County, Wyoming	Volume 264, Page 318
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Sweetwater County, Wyoming	Volume 876, Page 371

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Exhibit "B"

Recording Information for Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage,  
Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and  
Assignment of Production dated August 26, 1996, from Providence  
Energy Corp. to Compass Bank

Instrument	County and State	Recording Information
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Covington County, Mississippi	Volume 187, Page 409
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Jones County, Mississippi	Volume 1094, Page 208
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Monroe County, Mississippi	Volume 17-B, Page 289
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Simpson County, Mississippi	Volume 996, Page 370
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Smith County, Mississippi	Volume 417, Page 359

Exhibit "C"

Recording Information for Mortgage, Collateral Real Estate Mortgage,  
Deed of Trust, Indenture, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and  
Assignment of Production dated February 13, 1997, from Providence  
Energy Corp. to Compass Bank

Instrument	County and State	Recording Information
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Eureka County, Nevada	Volume 306, Page 205
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Nye County, Nevada	File No. 0414800
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Summit County, Utah	Volume 1030, Page 404

# Exhibit "D"

Recording Information for Amendment to Mortgage dated March 1, 1998,  
from Providence Energy Corp. to Compass Bank

Instrument	County and State	Recording Information
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Sutter County, California	Volume 1998, Page 09989-1
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Chaves County, New Mexico	Volume 323, Page 852
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Eddy County, New Mexico	Volume 311, Page 996
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Roosevelt County, New Mexico	Volume 48, Page 463
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Campbell County, Wyoming	Volume 1472, Page 254
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Carbon County, Wyoming	Volume 358, Page 38-1
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Crook County, Wyoming	Volume 358, Page 600
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Johnson County, Wyoming	Volume 269, Page 143
Mortgage/Collateral Real Estate Mortgage	Sweetwater County, Wyoming	Volume 896, Page 681
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Covington County, Mississippi	Volume 463, Page 56
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Jones County, Mississippi	Volume 1151, Page 516
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Monroe County, Mississippi	Volume 18-L, Page 319
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Simpson County, Mississippi	Volume 1025, Page 619
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Smith County, Mississippi	Volume 433, Page 41
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Eureka County, Nevada	Volume 318, Page 402
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Nye County, Nevada	Book 0 440576
Mortgage/Open End Mortgage	Summit County, Utah	Volume 00379-00383

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Exhibit "E"

Recording Information for Amendment to Mortgage dated September 29, 1998, from Providence Energy Corp. to Compass Bank

Instrument	County and State	Recording Information
Amendment to Mortgage	Sutter County, California	Volume 199815969
Amendment to Mortgage	Chaves County, New Mexico	Volume 346, Page 823
Amendment to Mortgage	Eddy County, New Mexico	Volume 335, Page 736
Amendment to Mortgage	Roosevelt County, New Mexico	Volume 53, Page 597
Amendment to Mortgage	Campbell County, Wyoming	Volume 1507, Page 524
Amendment to Mortgage	Carbon County, Wyoming	Volume 962, Page 97
Amendment to Mortgage	Crook County, Wyoming	Volume 362, Page 372
Amendment to Mortgage	Johnson County, Wyoming	Volume 271, Page 539
Amendment to Mortgage	Sweetwater County, Wyoming	Volume 0905, Page 1
Amendment to Mortgage	Covington County, Mississippi	Volume 469, Page 579
Amendment to Mortgage	Jones County, Mississippi	Volume 1174, Page 409
Amendment to Mortgage	Monroe County, Mississippi	Volume 19-B, Page 173
Amendment to Mortgage	Simpson County, Mississippi	Volume 1038, Page 532
Amendment to Mortgage	Smith County, Mississippi	Volume 438, Page 503
Amendment to Mortgage	Eureka County, Nevada	Volume 321, Page 549
Amendment to Mortgage	Nye County, Nevada	File 0 454957
Amendment to Mortgage	Summit County, Utah	Volume 01190, Page 00655

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