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OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT made this 22nd day of January 19 82 betweenNontcreek Land CompanyLessor (whether one or more) whose address is 2728 Woodridge Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35243
and Amoco Production Company, P. O. Box 50879, New Orleans, La. 70150 Lessee, WITNESSETH1. Lessor in consideration of Ten and No/100 and other valuable considerations Dollars
10.00 & OVCdo hereby grant, lease and let exclusively unto Lessee for the purpose of investigating, exploring, prospecting, drilling and mining for and producing oil, gas and all other minerals, laying pipe lines, building roads, tanks, power stations, telephone lines and other structures to run to produce, save, take care of, treat, transport and own said products, and having employees, the following described land in Shelby County, Alabama to-wit:TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST

Section 27: $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$; and 10 acres more described as follows:
Begin at the SE corner of the said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section; thence North along the East line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section for a distance of 140 yards; thence West and parallel to the South line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section for a distance of 350 yards; thence South, parallel to the East line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section for a distance of 140 yards to a point on the South line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section; thence East and along South line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ Section for a distance of 350 yards to the point of beginning and said 10 acres being a part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ making these lands a contiguous tract containing 170 acres, more or less.

It is understood and agreed that this lease covers only oil, gas, gaseous derivatives and other gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons and sulphur, but does not cover coal, iron ore, or any other hard rock minerals.

It is agreed and understood between Lessor and Lessee that wherever the fraction $\frac{1}{8}$ appears in Paragraph 3 it is decreed to read $\frac{1}{6}$.

Lessee will not use the above described property for storage of equipment nor will they build any structure on said property that is not needed for the production of said minerals, from the above described property, without first getting Lessor's written permission.

It is the intention of Lessor and Lessee that this lease shall also include, and there is hereby included, granted, leased and let, for the purposes and consideration herein stated, all the land owned or claimed by Lessor, adjacent or contiguous to the land particularly described above, whether the same be in said section or sections, grant or grants, or in adjacent sections or grants, although not included with the boundaries of the land particularly described above. For the purpose of determining the amount of any money payment hereunder, the lands herein shall be treated as comprising 170 acres, whether there be more or less, and in the event of a partial assignment of or surrender hereunder, the assigned or surrendered portion or portions shall be deemed to contain the number of acres stated in such assignment or surrender.

2. Subject to the other provisions herein contained, this lease shall be for a term of Five (5) years from this date (called "primary term") and as long thereafter as oil, gas or other mineral is produced from said land or lands with which said land is pooled hereunder.

3. The royalties to be paid by Lessee are: (a) on oil, one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) of that produced and saved from said land, the same to be delivered at the well or to the credit of Lessor into the pipeline to which the well may be connected; Lessee may from time to time purchase any royalty oil in its possession, paying the market price therefor prevailing for the field where produced on the date of purchase; in either case such interest to bear its proportion of any expense of treating marketable oil to render it marketable, as evidenced on tax one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) of the market value at the well of the gas produced or saved in operations not connected with the land leased or any pooled land containing all or a part of said land; the royalty on gas to be one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) of the amount realized at market; (b) on gas, one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) of the market value at the mouth of the well of gas used by Lessee in manufacturing gasoline or other by-products, except that in computing such value, there shall be included only the components thereof used in lease or pool operations; and (c) on all other minerals mined and marketed, one-tenth ($\frac{1}{10}$) either in kind or value at the well or mine, at Lessee's election, except that sulphur mined and marketed, the royalty shall be fifty cents (\$0.50) per long ton. In the event that any well on the land or on property pooled therewith (or with any part thereof) is capable of producing oil or gas or gaseous substances in paying quantities but such minerals are not being produced, then Lessee's rights may be maintained, in the absence of production or drilling operations, by commencing or resuming rental payments hereon from time to time referred to as shut-in payments as hereafter provided in paragraph 4. Should such conditions recur or exist at the end of or after the primary term or within said shut-in period prior to the expiration thereof, Lessee's rights may be extended beyond and after the primary term by the commencement, resumption or continuance of such payments at the rate and in the manner hereinafter provided for rental payments during the primary term; and for the purpose of computing and making such payments the expiration date of the primary term and each anniversary date thereof shall be considered a fixed rental paying date; and if such payments are made, it will be considered that oil or gas or gaseous substance is being produced within the meaning of paragraph 2 hereof. Lessee shall have free use of oil, gas, coal, wood and water from said land, except water from Lessor's wells, for all operations hereunder, and royalty on oil, gas and coal shall be computed after deducting any so used.

4. Lessee, at its option, is hereby given the right and power to pool or combine the acreage covered by this lease with any portion thereof with other land, lease or leases in the immediate vicinity thereof, when in Lessee's judgment it is necessary or advisable to do so in order properly to develop and operate said premises in compliance with any federal spacing rules which may be prescribed for the field in which the lease is situated by any duly authorized authority, or when to do so would, in the judgment of Lessee, promote the conservation of the oil and gas in and under and that may be produced from said premises. Lessee shall execute in writing an instrument identifying and describing the pooled acreage. The entire acreage so pooled into a tract or unit shall be treated, for all purposes except the payment of shut-in payments on production from the pooled unit as if it were included in this lease. If production is found on the pooled acreage, it shall be treated as if production is had from this lease, whether the well or wells located on the premises covered by this lease or not. In lieu of the royalties elsewhere herein specified, Lessor shall receive on production from a unit so pooled only such portion of the royalty stipulated herein as its amount of its acreage placed in the unit or its royalty interest therein on an acreage basis bears to the total acreage so pooled in the particular unit involved.

5. If operations for drilling are not commenced on said land or on acreage pooled therewith as above provided on or before one year from this date the lease shall then terminate as to both parties, unless on or before such anniversary date Lessee shall pay or tender to Lessor or to the credit of Lessor in Birmingham Trust National Bank, Centennial Branch Alabama (which bank and its successors are Lessor's agent and shall continue as the depository for all rentals payable hereunder) the sum of One Hundred Seventy and No/100 Dollars.

as 170.00 thereon called rentals, which shall cover the privilege of deferring commencement of drilling operations for a period of twelve (12) months. In like manner and upon like payments or tenders annually the commencement of drilling operations may be further deferred for successive periods of twelve (12) months each during the primary term. The payment or tender of rental may be made by the check or draft of Lessee, mailed or delivered to Lessor or to said bank on or before such date of payment. If such bank for any successor bank should fail, liquidate or be succeeded by another bank, or for any reason fail or refuse to accept rental, Lessee shall not be held in default for failure to make such payment or tender of rental until thirty (30) days after Lessee shall deliver a proper recordable instrument naming another bank as agent to receive such payments or tenders. The down cash payment is consideration for this lease according to its terms and shall not be allocated as more rental for a period. Lessee may at any time or times execute and deliver to Lessor or to the depositories above named or place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the above described premises and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions and be relieved of all obligations as to the acreage surrendered, and thereafter the rentals payable hereunder shall be reduced in the proportion that the acreage covered hereby is reduced by said release or releases.

6. If prior to discovery of oil, gas or other mineral on said land or on acreage pooled therewith Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon, or if after discovery of oil, gas or other mineral the production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences additional drilling or reworking operations within 60 days thereafter or if it be within the primary term, commences or resumes the payment or tender of rentals, or commences operations for drilling or reworking on or before the rental paying date next ensuing after the expiration of 60 days from date of completion of the hole or cessation of production. If at any time subsequent to sixty (60) days prior to the beginning of the last year of the primary term and prior to the discovery of oil, gas or other mineral on said land or on acreage pooled therewith Lessee should drill a dry hole thereon, no rental payment or operations are necessary in order to keep the lease in force during the remainder of the primary term. If at the expiration of the primary term no oil, gas or other mineral is being produced on said land or on acreage pooled therewith, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon or shall have completed a dry hole thereon within sixty (60) days prior to the end of the primary term, the lease shall remain in force so long as operations are prosecuted with no cessation of more than sixty (60) consecutive days, and if a well is completed in the production of oil, gas or other mineral, so long thereafter as oil, gas or other mineral is produced from said land or on acreage pooled therewith. In the event a well or wells produce oil or gas in paying quantities, the lease shall be deemed to be in force and no further drilling or reworking operations shall be necessary to keep the lease in force. If the lease is terminated, Lessee agrees to drill such a well or wells as may be required by the lease.

7. The rights of either party hereunder may be assigned in whole or in part, and the provisions hereof shall extend to their heirs, successors and assigns, but no change or division of ownership of the land, rentals or royalties, however accomplished, shall operate to enlarge the obligations or diminish the rights of Lessee, and no change or division in such ownership shall be binding on Lessee until thirty (30) days after Lessee shall have been furnished by registered U. S. mail at Lessee's principal place of business with a certified copy of a recorded instrument of instruments evidencing same. In the event of a change of interest in whole or in part hereof by breach of any obligation hereunder shall rest exclusively upon the owner of this lease or a portion thereof who commits such breach. In the event of the death of any person entitled to rentals hereunder, Lessee may pay or tender such rentals to the credit of the deceased or the estate of the deceased until such time as Lessee is furnished with proper evidence of the appointment and qualifications of an executor or administrator of the estate, or if there be none, then until Lessee is furnished with evidence satisfactory to it as to the heirs or devisees of the deceased, and that all be of the estate have been paid. If at any time two or more persons be entitled to participate in the rental payable hereunder, Lessee may pay or tender said rental jointly to such persons or to their joint credit in the depository named hereon or, at Lessee's election, the proportionate part of said rental to which each participant is entitled may be paid or tendered to him separately or to his separate credit in said depository, and payment or tender to any participant of his portion of the rentals hereunder shall maintain this lease as to such participant. In event of assignment of this lease as to a segregated portion of said land, the rental payable hereunder shall be apportionable as between the several leasehold owners ratably according to the surface area of each, and default in rental payment by one shall not affect the rights of other leasehold owners hereunder. If six or more parties become entitled to royalty hereunder, Lessee may withhold payment thereof unless and until furnished with a recordable instrument executed by all such parties designating an agent to receive payment.

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13. In the event that Lessor, during the primary term of this lease, receives a bona fide offer which Lessor is willing to accept from any party offering to purchase from Lessor a lease covering all or part of the substances covered by this lease and covering all or a portion of the land described herein, with the lease becoming effective upon expiration of this lease, Lessor hereby agrees to notify Lessee in writing of said offer immediately, including in the notice the name and address of the offeror, the price offered and all other pertinent terms and conditions of the offer. Lessee, for a period of fifteen days after receipt of the notice, shall have the prior and preferred right and option to purchase the lease or part thereof or interest therein, covered by the offer at the price and according to the terms and conditions specified in the offer. All offers made up to and including the last day of the primary term of this lease shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Section. Should Lessor elect to purchase the lease pursuant to the terms hereof, it shall so notify Lessee in writing by mail no later than five days prior to expiration of said 15-day period. Lessee shall promptly transfer funds to Lessor as set forth for recording in full of the purchase price of the lease in a single check payable to Lessor or payment of the specified amount as consideration for the new lease; such third-party instrument must be approved in form according to the relevant standard. If Lessor declines to purchase the lease pursuant to the terms hereof, it shall so notify Lessee in writing by mail no later than five days after expiration of said 15-day period. Lessee's representative or through agent or hand of record may, however,

Producers Service Co.

No. _____

Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease

THOMAS

TO _____

Dated _____ 19____

No. Acres _____

County Alabama

Township _____ Range _____

This instrument was filed for record on the _____ day of _____ at _____ M., and duly recorded in _____ Book _____ Page _____

& the _____ records of this office

(Official Title)

B. _____

When recorded returns to _____