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OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

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THIS AGREEMENT made this 25th day of August 1982 between

W. E. Brasher and his wife, Betty Sue Brasher

lessor (whether one or more), whose address is Route 1, Box 70, Vandiver, Alabama 35176  
and AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY, P.O. Box 50879, New Orleans, La. lessor WITNESSETH:

1. Lessor, in consideration of Ten and Other Valuable Consideration (\$10.00 & OVC) Dollars, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the covenants and agreements of lessee hereinafter contained, does hereby grant, lease and let unto lessee the land covered hereby for the purpose and with the exclusive right of exploring, drilling, mining and operating for, producing and owning oil, gas, sulphur and all other minerals (whether or not similar to those mentioned), together with the right to make surveys on said land, lay pipe lines, establish and utilize facilities for surface or subsurface disposal of salt water, construct roads and bridges, dig canals, build tanks, power stations, power lines, telephone lines, employee houses and other structures on said land, necessary or useful in lessee's operations in exploring, drilling for, producing, treating, storing and transporting minerals produced from the land covered hereby or any other land adjacent thereto. The land covered hereby, herein called "said land", is located in the County of Shelby State of Alabama and is described as follows:

TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST

Section 12: All that part of the North 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 lying and being West of Whitfield Branch.

This lease does not cover coal, iron ore or any other hard rock minerals.

It is agreed and understood between the Lessor and the Lessee that wherever the term 1/8 appears in paragraph 3 below, this lease is amended to read 1/6.

It is further agreed and understood that the Lessee will begin no operations on the above described property without obtaining the prior written consent of the surface owner.

This lease does not cover and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by lessor by limitation of prescription, accession, reversion or unrecovered instrument or (b) as to which lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by lessee for a more accurate or accurate description of said land. For the purpose of determining the amount of any bonus or other payment hereunder, said land shall be deemed to contain

9 acres, whether actually containing more or less, and the above recital of acreage in any tract shall be deemed to be the true acreage thereof. Lessor accepts the bonus and consideration for this lease and all rights, and options hereunder.

2. Unless sooner terminated or longer kept in force under other provisions hereof, this lease shall remain in force for a term of five (5) years from the date hereof, hereinafter called "primary term", and as long thereafter as operations, as hereinafter defined, are conducted upon said land with no cessation for more than ninety (90) consecutive days.

3. As royalty, lessee covenants and agrees: (a) To deliver to the credit of lessor, in the pipe line to which lessee may connect its wells, the equivalent of one-eighth part of all oil produced and saved by lessee from said land, or from time to time, at the option of lessee, to pay lessor, the average posted market price of such one-eighth part of such oil at the wells as of the day it is run to the pipe line or storage tanks, lessor's interest, in either case, to bear one-eighth of the cost of treating oil to render it marketable pipe line oil; (b) To pay lessor on gas and casinghead gas produced from said land (1) when sold by lessee, one-eighth of the amount realized by lessee, computed at the month of the well, or (2) when used by lessee off said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the month of the well, of one-eighth of such gas and casinghead gas; (c) To pay lessor on all other minerals mined and marketed or utilized by lessee from said land, one-tenth either in kind or value at the well or mine at lessor's election, except that on sulphur mined and marketed the royalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per long ton. If, at the expiration of the primary term or at any time or times thereafter, there is any well on said land or on lands with which said land or any portion thereof has been pooled, capable of producing gas or any other mineral covered hereby, and all such wells are shut-in, this lease shall, nevertheless, continue in force as though operations were being conducted on said land for so long as said wells are shut-in, and thereafter this lease may be continued in force as if no shut-in had occurred. Lessee covenants and agrees to use reasonable diligence to produce, utilize, or market the minerals capable of being produced from said wells, but in the exercise of such diligence, lessee shall not be obligated to install or furnish facilities other than well facilities and ordinary lease facilities of flow lines, separator, and lease tank, and shall not be required to settle labor trouble or to market gas upon terms unacceptable to lessee. If, at any time or times after the expiration of the primary term, all such wells are shut-in for a period of ninety consecutive days, and during such time there are no operations on said land, then at or before the expiration of said ninety day period, lessee shall pay or tender, by check or draft of lessee, as royalty, a sum equal to one dollar (\$1.00) for each acre of land then covered hereby. Lessee shall make like payments or tenders at or before the end of each anniversary of the expiration of said ninety day period if upon such anniversary this lease is being continued in force solely by reason of the provisions of this sub-paragraph. Each such payment or tender shall be made to the parties who at the time of payment would be entitled to receive the royalties which would be paid under this lease if the wells were producing, or may be deposited to such parties credit in

the Central Bank of the South Bank at Leeds, Alabama or its successors, which shall continue as the depositories, regardless of changes in the ownership of shut-in royalty. If at any time that lessee pays or tenders shut-in royalty, two or more parties are, or claim to be, entitled to receive same, lessee may, in lieu of any other method of payment herein provided, pay or tender such shut-in royalty, in the manner above specified, either jointly to such parties or separately to each in accordance with their respective ownerships thereof, as lessee may elect. Any payment hereunder may be made by check or draft of lessee deposited in the mail or delivered to the party entitled to receive payment or to a depository bank provided for above on or before the last date for payment. Nothing herein shall impair lessee's right to release as provided in paragraph 5 hereof. In the event of assignment of this lease in whole or in part, liability for payment hereunder shall rest exclusively on the then owner or owners of this lease, severally as to acreage owned by each.

4. Lessee is hereby granted the right, at its option, to pool or unitize all or any part of said land and of this lease as to any or all minerals or horizons thereunder, with other lands, lease or leases, or portion or portions thereof, or mineral or horizon thereunder, so as to establish units containing not more than 80 surface acres plus 10% acreage tolerance; provided, however, a unit may be established or an existing unit may be enlarged to contain not more than 640 acres plus 10% acreage tolerance, if unitized only as to gas and liquid hydrocarbons (condensate) which are not a liquid in the subsurface reservoir. If larger units are required, under any governmental rule or order, for the drilling or operation of a well at a regular location, or for obtaining maximum allowable, from any well to be drilled, drilling, or already drilled, any such unit may be established or enlarged, to conform to the size required by such governmental order or rule. Lessee shall exercise said option as to each desired unit by executing an instrument identifying such unit and filing it for record in the public office in which this lease is recorded. Each of said options may be exercised by lessee from time to time, and whether before or after production has been established either on said land or on the portion of said land included in the unit or on other land unitized therewith and any such unit may include any well to be drilled, being drilled or already completed. A unit established hereunder shall be valid and effective for all purposes of this lease even though there may be land or mineral, royalty or leasehold interests in land within the unit which are not pooled or unitized. Any operations conducted on any part of such unitized land shall be considered, for all purposes, except the payment of royalty, operations conducted under this lease. There shall be allocated to the land covered by this lease a proportionate share of the total production of unitized minerals from wells in the unit, after deducting any used to lease or on operations, which the number of surface acres in the land covered by this lease bears to the total number of surface acres in the unit. The production so allocated shall be considered for all purposes, including the payment of royalty, as if it were produced from the land covered by this lease. The owner of the reversionary estate of any term royalty or mineral estate agrees that the accrual of royalties pursuant to the paragraph hereof shall not be affected by any change of ownership of any shut-in production royalty which may become payable under this lease. Neither shall it impair the right of lessee to release from this lease all or any portion of said land, except that lessee may not so release as to lands within a unit while there are operations thereon for unitized minerals unless all pooled leases are released as to lands within the unit. Lessee may dissolve any unit established hereunder by filing for record in the public office where this lease is recorded a declaration to that effect, if at that time no operations are being conducted thereon for unitized minerals. Subject to the provisions of this paragraph 4, a unit once established hereunder shall remain in force so long as any lease subject thereto shall remain in force. A unit may be so established, modified or dissolved during the life of this lease.

5. Lessee may at any time and from time to time execute and deliver to lessor or file for record a release or releases of this lease as to any part or all of said land or of any mineral or horizon thereunder, and thereby released of all obligations as to the released acreage or interest.

6. This is a PAID-UP LEASE. In consideration of the down cash payment, Lessor agrees that Lessee shall not be obligated except as otherwise provided herein, to commence or continue any operations during the primary term. Whenever used in this lease the word "operations" shall mean operations for and any of the following: drilling, testing, completing, reworking, recompleting, deepening, plugging back or repairing of a well in search for or in an endeavor to obtain production of oil, gas, sulphur or other minerals, excavating a mine, production of oil, gas, sulphur or other mineral, whether or not in paying quantities.

7. Lessee shall have the use, free from royalty, of water, other than from lessor's water wells, and of oil and gas produced from said land in all operations hereunder. Lessee shall have the right at any time to remove all machinery and fixtures placed on said land, including the right to draw and remove casing. No well shall be drilled nearer than 200 feet to the house or barn now on said land without the consent of the owner. Lessee shall pay for damages caused by its operations to growing crops and timber on said land.

12. In the event that Lessee, 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, in whole or in part, 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 Lessee elect to purchase the lease pursuant to the terms hereof, it shall so notify Lessor in writing by mail or telegram prior to expiration of said 15-day period. Lessee shall promptly thereafter furnish to Lessor the new lease for execution on behalf of Lessor(s) along with Lessee's sight draft payable to Lessor in payment of the specified amount as consideration for the new lease, such draft being subject only to approval of title according to the terms thereof. Upon receipt thereof, Lessor(s) shall promptly execute said lease and return same along with the endorsed draft to Lessee's representative or through Lessor(s) bank of record for payment.

*Thomas A. Snowden, Jr.*  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF SHELBY

JOINT OR SINGLE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
(MISSISSIPPI-ALABAMA-FLORIDA)

I hereby certify, that on this day, before me, a Notary Public  
duly authorized in this Shelby county aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared W. E. Brasher and his wife, Betty Sue Brasher  
to me known to be the person s who are described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and the y  
acknowledged to me that, being informed of the contents of the same, the y voluntarily signed and delivered  
the within and foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 25th day of AUGUST, 1982

(Affix Seal)

Notary Public  
(Title of Official)  
My commission expires 5/16/86 in and for State of Ala. County, At large

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**Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease**

FROM \_\_\_\_\_

TO \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

No. Acres \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Term \_\_\_\_\_

This instrument was filed for record on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ and duly recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ records of this office.

County Clerk

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy

When recorded return to \_\_\_\_\_

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