MINUTE ITEM

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QUITCLAIM OF STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 4031.1

LESSEE:

Conoco Inc.

P. O. Box 218850

16350 Park 10 Place Drive Houston, Texas 77218 Attention: Arden Specia

SUMMARY:

Conoco has filed with the State a lease quitclaim deed dated June 23, 1981. Section 5 of State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 4031.1 states that the lessee (Conoco Inc.) may at any time make and file with the State a written quitclaim or relinquishment of all rights under this lease. Such quitclaim or relinquishment shall be effective as to the date of filing.

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:

State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 4031.1 contains approximately 2,332 acres of submerged lands lying offshore the City of Summerland in the Santa Barbara Channel, County of Santa Barbara.

PREREQUISITE ITEMS:

A. Lease Quitclaim Deed has been duly executed by lessee and reviewed for legal sufficiency by Staff Counsel.

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- B. An ocean floor inspection of the area surrounding the drillsite was conducted.
- C. All rental payments are current and no liability or default appears to exist on this lease.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 4031.1 was issued to Continental Oil Company, now Conoco Inc., on August 28, 1968, for a term of twenty years. Conoco now wishes to quitclaim back to the State all their interest or rights in this lease. Only one well was drilled on this lease (October and November 1968) but it was abandoned as a dry hole. An inspection of the ocean floor surrounding this drillsite was conducted on May 27, 1982, to determine if hazardous conditions or leakage existed; no evidence was found.

This activity is exempt from CEQA because it is not considered to be a project pursuant to 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15037.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

A. Sections 1 and 5 of the lease.

B. P.R.C.: Section 6804.1.

AB 884:

N/A.

EXHIBIT:

A. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. DETERMINE THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS ACTIVITY AS SUCH DOCUMENT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF P.R.C. 21065, 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15037 AND 15060.
- 2. ACCEPT THE LEASE QUITCLAIM DEED OF CONOCO INC. DATED JUNE 23, 1981 (A COPY OF WHICH IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICES OF THE COMMISSION) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 4031.1, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.

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