

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Minutes of the meeting of October 24, 1985
of the State Lands Commission
Sacramento, California

APPEARANCES

Commissioners Present

Kenneth Cory, State Controller, Chairman
Susan Wallace, Commission-Alternate for Leo T.
McCarthy, Lieutenant Governor
Jesse R. Huff, Director of Finance, Member

Staff Members in Attendance

Claire T. Dedrick, Executive Officer
James F. Trout, Assistant Executive Officer
R. C. Hight, Chief Counsel
Lance Kiley, Chief, Division of Land Management
and Conservation
W. M. Thompson, Chief, Extractive Development
Program
Frederick O. Ludlow, Staff Counsel

Representing the Office of the Attorney General

Dave Judson, Deputy Attorney General

Regarding Minute Item 29:

Mr. Andrew Katz, Attorney
Chevron U.S.A.

Regarding Minute Item 31:

- 1) Mr. Sam Snyder, General Counsel
Union Oil Company of California.
- 2) Mr. Ray Martens
Union Oil Company of California.
- 3) Mr. Richard Gillen
Union Oil Company of California.

MINUTES OF THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION
MEETING OF
OCTOBER 24, 1985

The regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was called to order by Chairman Kenneth Cory at 11:05 a.m. in Room 447 of the State Capitol, Sacramento, California.

Also present were Jesse Huff, Director of Finance and Susan Wallace, Commission-Alternate for Leo T. McCarthy, Lieutenant Governor.

The minutes of the meeting of September 26 and October 7, 1985 were approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Attached as Exhibit "A".

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EXHIBIT A
EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

BY
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10/24/85

PLACEMENT OF JACKET FOR CHEVRON'S PLATFORM "EST" FR FRC 3095
BELMONT OFFSHORE FIELD, ORANGE COUNTY

ON COLUMBUS DAY, OCTOBER 14, 1985, IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING, CHEVRON USA TOOK THE FIRST MAJOR STEP IN REPLACING THE STORM DESTROYED (MARCH 1 AND 2, 1983) OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING PRODUCTION FACILITY KNOWN AS ISLAND "ESTHER". A LARGE STEEL TRUSS/FRAMEWORK MEASURING 250' LONG X 39' WIDE X 35' HIGH WAS PLACED BETWEEN THE ROWS OF EXISTING WELLS TO SERVE AS THE BASE SECTION OF THE NEW PLATFORM. AFTER 48" DIAMETER STEEL PILING ARE DRIVEN THROUGH THE BASE SECTION (OR "JACKET") TO APPROXIMATELY 120' BELOW THE ORIGINAL SEA FLOOR, THE TWO DECKS WILL BE INSTALLED IN FOUR PREASSEMBLED SECTIONS, RESULTING IN A STRUCTURE 175' LONG X 84' WIDE X 58' HIGH (ABOVE SEA LEVEL).

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THIS INSTALLATION WORK OF THE PLATFORM AND THE HOOK-UP OF THE PRODUCTION HANDLING FACILITIES, ALONG WITH THE INTEGRATED SAFETY SHUT-DOWN SYSTEM WILL CONTINUE ABOUT FOUR MONTHS, OR INTO FEBRUARY 1986. NEAR THE END OF THIS PERIOD, A DRILLING WORKOVER RIG WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE PLATFORM TO BEGIN THE REPAIR AND RECONDITIONING OF THE WELLS WHICH IS EXPECTED TO REQUIRE FOUR OR MORE MONTHS. PRODUCTION OF OIL WILL PROBABLY BE RESUMED ABOUT JUNE 1, 1986 AND CHEVRON HOPES TO EVENTUALLY ACHIEVE 1,000 BBLs OIL PER DAY (PRE-1983 RATE WAS 1850 BOPD).

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RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
STATE LANDS COMMISSION
AT ITS MEETING OF OCTOBER 24, 1985

During the meeting, the recommendation of the staff relative to Calendar Items C1, C3-C11, C13-C17, 18, 21, 23, 27, 28, 30 were adopted as resolutions of the Commission by unanimous vote.

Commission action on Calendar Items C2, 22, 29 and 31 are set forth on pages 2901, 3054, 3094, 3103.

Calendar Items 12, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26 were withdrawn from the agenda prior to the meeting.

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