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DEFERMENT OF DRILLING OBLIGATION STATE OIL AND GAS LEASES PRC 4001 AND PRC 4002

APPLICANT:

Cheuron U.S.A., Inc.

P.O. Box 5050

San Ramon, California 94583-0905

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:

State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 4001 contains approximately 780 acres of submerged lands located immediately south of State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 2206, the site of former Platform Helen from which the Cuarta Offshore Field was developed. See Exhibit "A", location map.

State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 4002 contains approximately 600 acres of submerged lands located immediately south of State Oil and Gas Lease PRC 2199, in the Gaujota area, Santa Barbara County.

LEASE INFORMATION:

These leases were issued on August 28, 1968 to Standard Oil Company of California, now Cheuron, for a cash bonus bid of \$53,600 for lease PRC 4001 and a cash bonus bid of \$61,200 for PRC 4002. In early 1986, Cheuron conducted an extensive 3-D geophysical survey covering the subject leases as well as adjoining Federal and State lands. As a result of preliminary interpretation of the geophysical data, a prospect has been identified on PRC 4002 and several adjoining Federal and State leases.

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Cheuron is continuing its review and evaluation of the 3-D survey data and has requested a one-year extension of time to evaluate the prospect for exploration drilling.

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N/A.

ENUIRONMENTAL INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: P.R.C. 21056 and 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15378.

EXHIBIT:

A. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODF REGS. 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15378.
- 2. APPROVE A DEFERMENT OF THE DRILLING OBLIGATIONS UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASES PRC 4001 and PRC 4002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1989.

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