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ACCEPT THE QUITCLAIM DEED FOR STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 3809, LOS ANGELES COUNTY

APPLICANT:

Damson Oil Corporation Attn: K. B. Battaglini P. O. Box 4391 396 West Greens Road Houston, Texas 72210

BACKGROUND:

State oil and gas lease PRC 3809 (no surface use lease) was issued to Mobil Oil Corporation (Mobil) on July 27, 1967 and contains 3.44 acres of Dockweiler Beach State Park at Venice, California (leased lands).

In consideration for granting the lease, Mobil offered a bonus of \$1,000.00, a royalty on production of 16 2/3 percent and 0.3 percent share of the net profits paid to the City of Los Angeles under its Lease No. 135. The State Lands Commission approved unitization with the adjoining Los Angeles City 135 lease held by Mobil Oil Corporation and Standard Oil Company of California on July 27, 1967. Mobil assigned 100 percent of its interest to Damson Oil Corporation effective November 11, 1977.

P.R.C. 6804.1 and Lease Paragraph 37 permit the lessee to make at any time a written quitclaim of all rights under the lease or of any portion of the leased lands comprising a ten-acre parcel or multiple thereof in a compact form. The quitclaim will be effective when it is filed with the State subject to the

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continued obligation of the lessee and its surety to pay all accrued rentals and royalties. There were no wells drilled into the leased lands.

On June 17, 1992, the lessee filed at the Commission's Long Beach office the document "Surrender Quitclaim Deed for State Oil and Gas Lease". This document was dated March 27, 1992, and quitclaims to the State all of the lessee's right, title and interest in the leased lands described in Exhibit "A" of State oil and gas lease PRC 3809 dated July 27, 1967.

A review of the Commission's records reveals that no default exists on the lease and that the lessee has complied with all applicable laws.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

A. P.R.C. 6804.1 and Paragraph 37.

AB 884:

N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. No wells were drilled into State lands.
- 2. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that the acceptance of the quitclaim 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. 21065 and 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15378.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description
- B. Location Map

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15378.

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- 2. ACCEPT FROM DAMSON OIL CORPORATION (LESSEE) THE QUITCLAIM DEED FOR STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 3809 DATED MARCH 27, 1992, WHEREIN THE LESSEE QUITCLAIMS TO THE STATE ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN THE LEASED LANDS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" OF STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 3809 DATED MARCH 27, 1967.
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF ANY DOCUMENT NECESSARY TO EFFECT THE COMMISSION'S ACTION.

PRC 3809

EXHIBIT "A"

A parcel of land in the City of Los Angeles, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the Northwesterly prolongation of the Northeasterly line of Lot "A" of Tract No. 898, as per map recorded in Book 16, Page 128 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said County, with the Northwesterly line of Horizon Avenue, 40 feet wide, as shown on the map of the Country Club Tract, recorded in Book 3 Page 76 of said Maps; thence Southwesterly along said Morthwesterly line and the Southwesterly prolongation thereof to a point distant thereon 209 feet Southwesterly from the most Southerly corner of Lot 5 in Block 5 of said Country Club Tract, said point being in a line of mean high tide of the Pacific Ocean as described in judgment rendered July 31, 1925 in Case No. 140756 of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles; thence Southeasterly along said mean high tide line to a point in the Southwesterly prolongation of the Northwesterly line of Market Street, formerly Zephyr Avenue, as shown on Map of Venice of America, recorded in Book 6 Pages 126 and 127 of said Maps, records of said County; distant Southwesterly along said Northwesterly line and Southwesterly prolongation 232 feet from the most Southerly corner of Lot 5 in Block "A" of said Venice of America; thence continuing Southeasterly along said high tide line to a point in the Southwesterly prolongation of the Northwesterly line of Windward Avenue, distant Southwesterly thereon 225 feet from the most Southerly corner of Lot 2 in Block 1 of said Venice of America; thence continuing Southeasterly along said high tide line to a point in the Southwesterly prolongation of the Northwesterly line of 17th Avenue, formerly Lorelei Avenue; distant Southwesterly thereon 168 feet from the most Southerly corner of Lot 4, Block 2 of said Venice of America; thence North paperly

along said last mentioned prolongation 148 feet, more or less, to a line

parallel with and distant 10 feet Southwesterly, measured at right angles, from the Northeasterly line of Lot "C" of said Tract No.898; thence Northwesterly along said parallel line, 77 feet; thence Northerly in a direct line 12.19 feet to a point in said Northeasterly line of Lot "C" which is Northwesterly thereon 83.97 feet from the most Easterly corner of said Lot "C"; thence Northwesterly along the Northeasterly lines of Lots "C", "B" and "A" of said Tract No. 898 and the Northwesterly prolongation of the Northeasterly line of said Lot "A" to the point of beginning, containing 3.07 acres more or less, and the adjacent strip of land 20 feet wide underlying Ocean Front Walk containing 0.37 acres. The parcel contains 3.44 acres more or less.

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