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September 11, 2001

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

RE: **Upper Hosston Zone**
Hosston 6700' Zone, Reservoir A
Ruston Field
Lincoln Parish, Louisiana

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Dear Sir:

Ocean Energy, Inc. hereby makes application pursuant to the revised rules of procedure for a public hearing to consider evidence relating to the following matters pertaining to the Upper Hosston Zone and the Hosston 6,700' Zone, Reservoir A, in the Ruston Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Ocean Energy, Inc. to designate and utilize its J.B. Jiles No. 3 Well as the substitute unit well for U HOSS SUM at the exceptional location shown on the plat attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A";

2. To establish that to designate the J. B. Jiles No. 3 Well as the substitute unit well at an exceptional location is necessary to recover hydrocarbons underlying U HOSS SUM that cannot be produced from any other well located on the unit;

3. To authorize Ocean Energy, Inc. to designate and utilize its J. B. Jiles No. 3 Well as an alternate unit well for HOSS 6700' RA SUH at the exceptional location shown on the plat attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "B";

4. To authorize the unit allowable for HOSS 6700' RA SUM to be recovered from the existing well(s) on the unit, the proposed alternate unit well, or from any combination thereof, at the discretion of the operator;

5. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem appropriate and necessary under the circumstances.

The Upper Hosston Zone in the Ruston Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 164-O, effective on and after September 1, 1964.

The Hosston 6,700' Zone, Reservoir A, in the Ruston Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 164-O-27, effective on and after May 18, 1993.

The subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Ms. Mary Bentley, Ocean Energy, Inc., 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 1700, Houston, Texas 77002, telephone number (713) 265-6795.

The attached list includes the names of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties known to applicant after a diligent search and a copy of this notice, with plat attached, is being sent to each such party. Pursuant to Office of Conservation regulations, such list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be provided to any person requesting a copy of it. Also enclosed is the application fee herein.

Yours very truly,

COOK, YANCEY, KING & GALLOWAY

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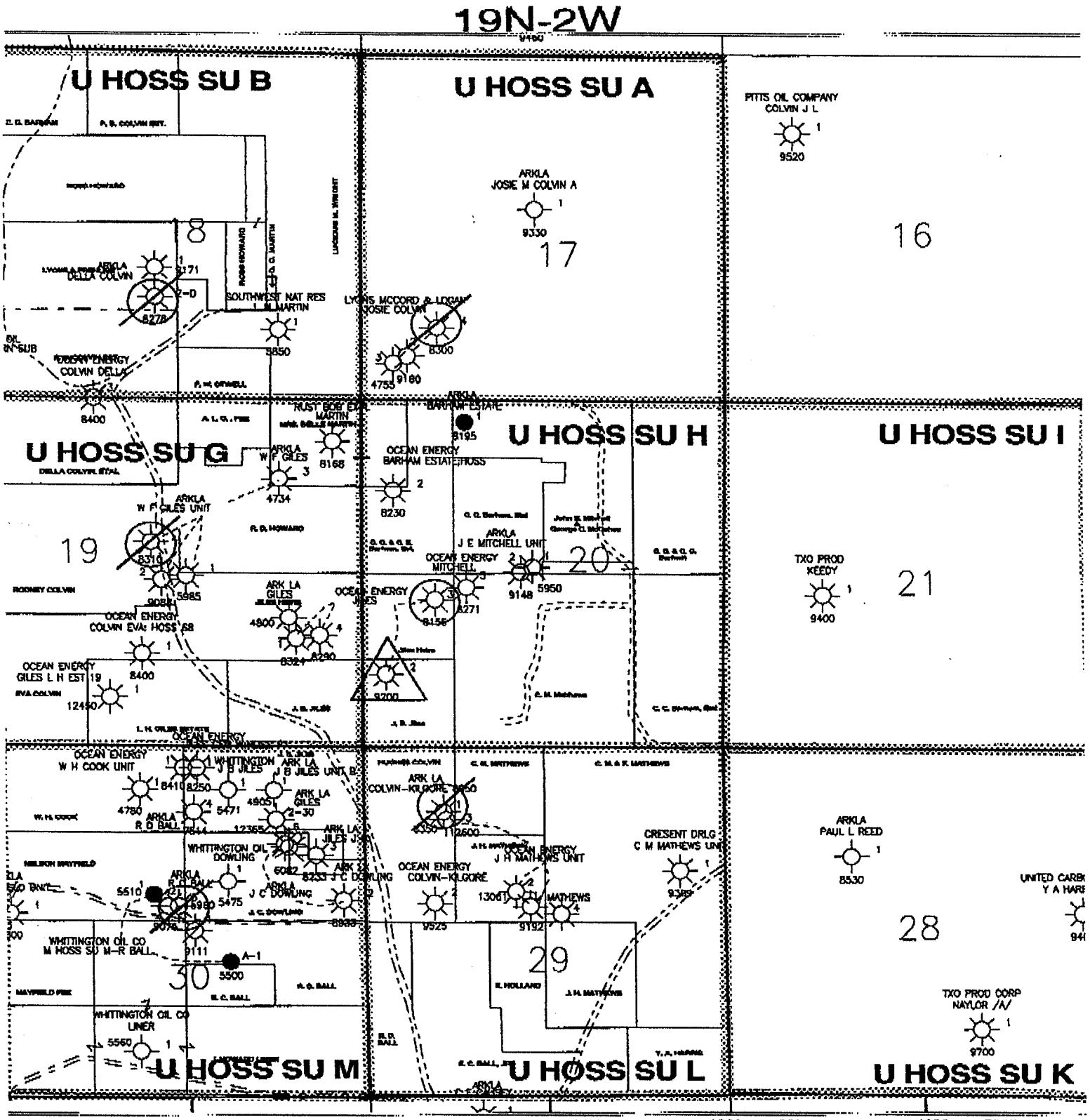
Enclosures
cc: James C. Broussard, District Manager
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties



LEGEND

- Existing Upper Hosston Sand Units
- Existing Upper Hosston Unit Wells
- Proposed U HOSS SUH Alternate Unit Well
- Proposed U HOSS SUM Substitute Unit Wel

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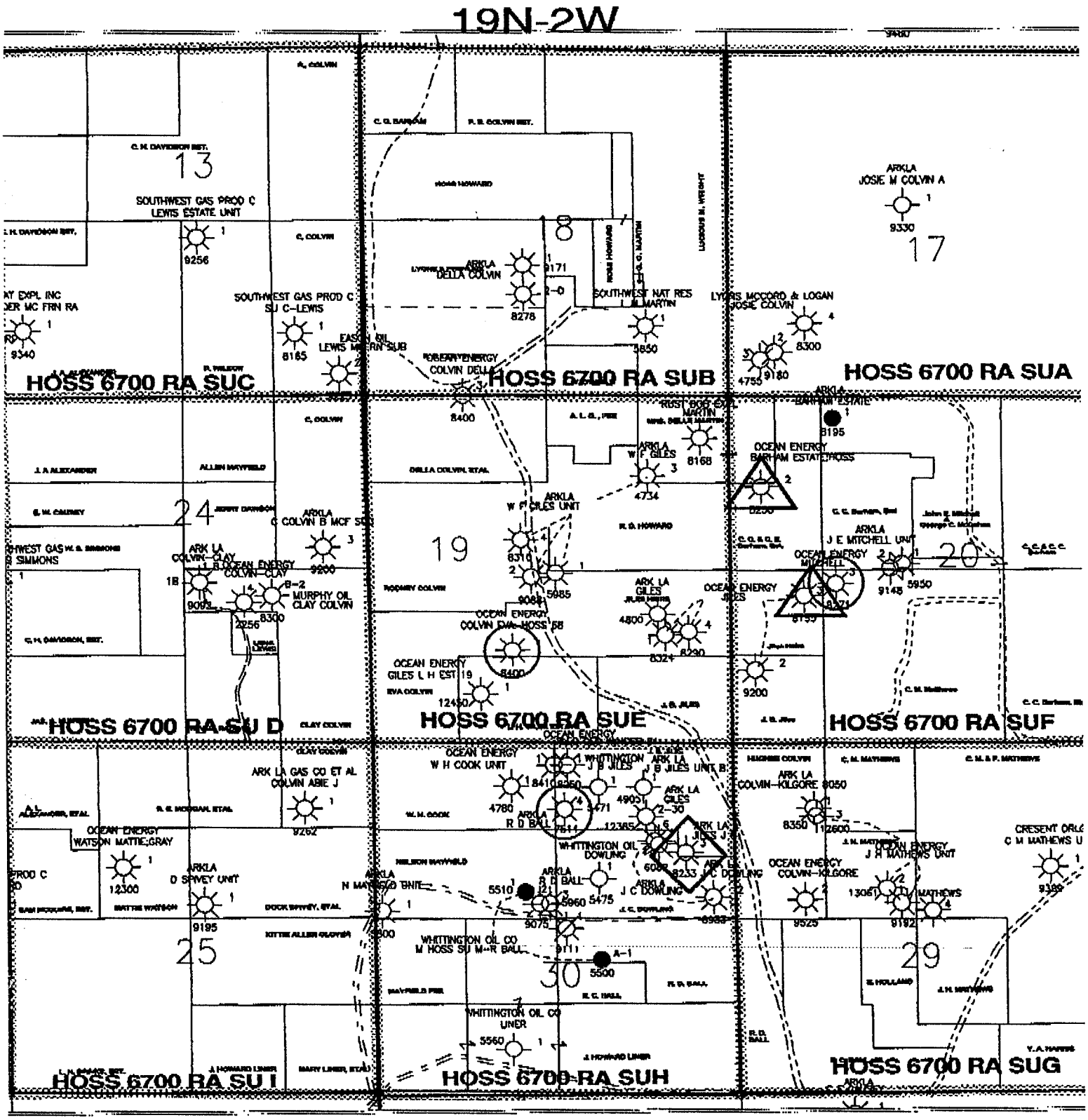
EXHIBIT NO.:	
DOCKET NO.:	
DATE:	

Exhibit "A"

OCEAN ENERGY, INC.		
RUSTON FIELD - LINCOLN PARISH, LA Prop. Alternate & Substitute Unit Wells U HOSS RA SUH & U HOSS RA SUM		
Mary Bentley		9/7/01
	Scale 1:24000.	



LEGEND

- Existing Hoss 6700 RA Sand Units
- Existing Hoss 6700 RA Unit Wells
- Existing Hoss 6700 RA Alternate Unit Wells
- Proposed Hoss 6700 RA Alternate Unit Well

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OCEAN ENERGY, INC.

RUSTON FIELD - LINCOLN PARISH, LA
Location Plat - Hoss 6700' RA SU H Unit
for JB Jiles No. 3

Exhibit "B"