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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston A & B Zones, WEST BRYCELAND FIELD,
Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO PRODUCTION COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston A Zone and to the Hosston B Zone in the West Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to complete, designate and utilize its Woodard-Walker P No. 1 Well, located as shown on the attached plat, as an alternate unit well for HOSS A SUJJ, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 241-A, effective December 1, 1966.

2. To find that the proposed alternate unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston A Zone underlying HOSS A SUJJ which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on this unit.

3. To approve the downhole combination of production from the Hosston A Zone and the Hosston B Zone in the wellbore of the proposed alternate unit well and in the wellbore of any existing well, or subsequently drilled well, located on HOSS A & B SUJJ in which the ownership interests in the units are identical.

4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston A Zone in West Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 241-A, effective December 1, 1966. The Hosston B Zone in West Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 241-A-8, effective March 16, 1972.

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Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of West Bryceland Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

David L. Smelley

David L. Smelley
-- Attorney for El Paso Production Company

DLS:dp
Enclosures
cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Jerry Anderson (w/encls.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

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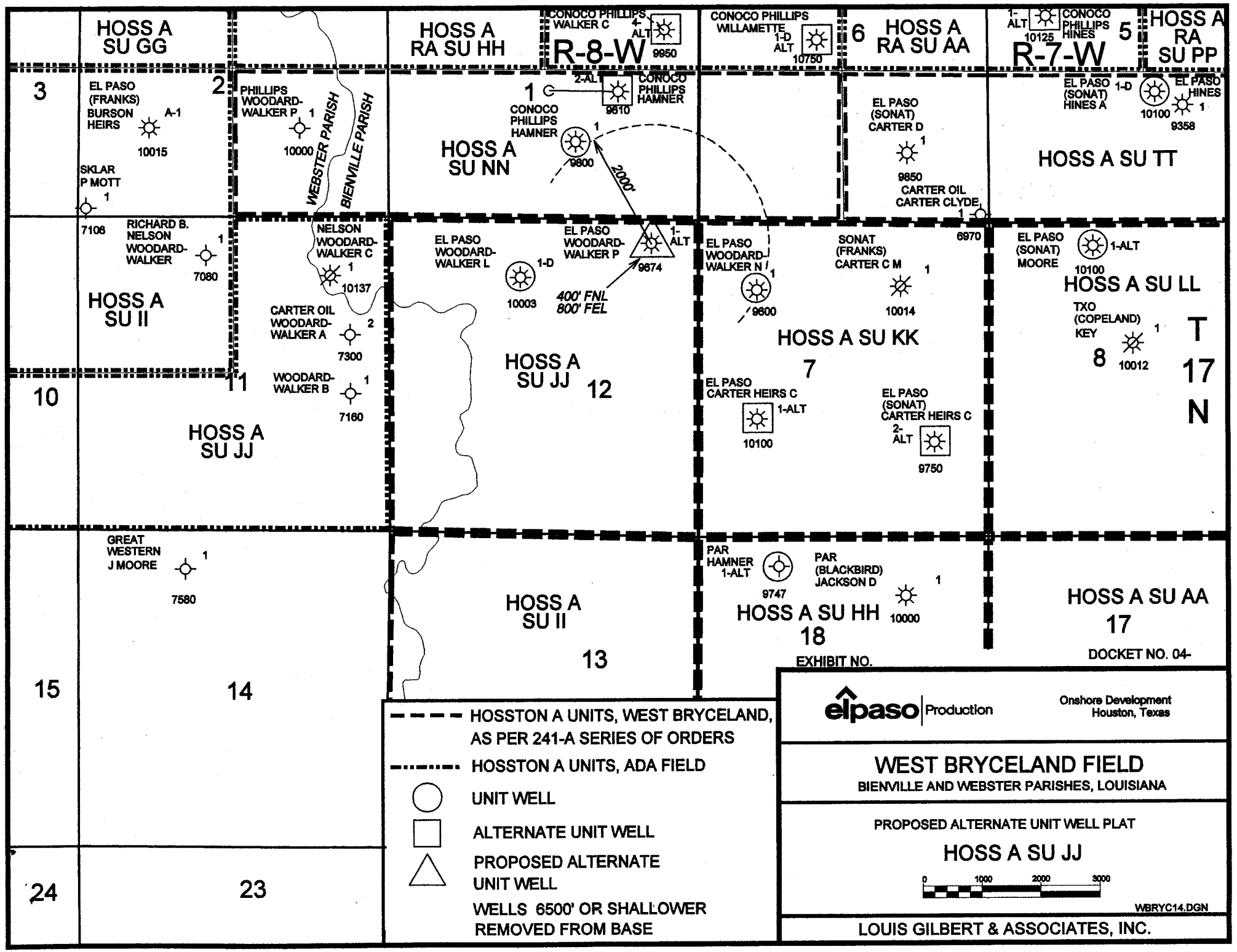
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BIENVILLE AND WEBSTER PARISHES, LOUISIANA
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