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RELEASE

This instrument is made as of the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1978, by Exxon Corporation, a New Jersey corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Exxon".

PREMISES:

By instrument dated December 13, 1977, entitled Placer Mining Claims Purchase Option with Right to Locate Lode Claims (hereinafter referred to as the "Option"), Lory M. Free, Mary Ann Free Smith,

Myrtle Joy Free and Helen Free VanderBeek hereinafter referred to as "Owner", whether one or more, granted to Exxon an option to purchase certain placer mining claims located in Township 2S, Range 68E, in Lincoln County, State of Nevada, described in more detail in Exhibit A attached to and made a part of this Release.

A memorandum of the Option was recorded in the official records of Lincoln County, State of Nevada at Page 58 of Book 25.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for good and valuable consideration received, Exxon hereby releases, terminates and surrenders to Owner, its heirs, successors and assigns, all right, title, interest and obligation granted to Exxon, as Optionee under the above-described Option. This release, termination and surrender is effective as of the date set out above.

Exxon, for itself and its successors and assigns, makes no representations or warranties whatsoever concerning the title to, or the right to possession of, any of the mining claims or properties described in or covered by the Option, or any other warranties or representations concerning any of the above mining claims or properties.

IN WITNESS THEREOF this Release is executed as of the date first written above.

EXXON CORPORATION

By H. F. Gready  
H. F. Gready, Senior Supervisor,  
Landowner Relations  
(Unoperated Acreage)  
Exxon Company, U.S.A., a  
division of Exxon Corporation

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STATE OF TEXAS )  
COUNTY OF HARRIS ) ss.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 1978, personally appeared before me H. F. GREADY, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the Agent for EXXON CORPORATION, and that said instrument was signed in behalf of said corporation by authority of a resolution of its Board of Directors, and said H. R. GREADY acknowledged to me that said corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year first above written.

My commission expires:  
7-31-80

Myrtle J. Clayton  
Notary Public

MYRTLE J. CLAYTON  
Notary Public, Lincoln County, Texas  
My Commission Expires July 31, 1980

Lincoln County

EXHIBIT A

TO RELEASE OF

PLACER MINING CLAIMS PURCHASE OPTION

WITH RIGHT TO LOCATE LODE CLAIMS

dated December 13, 1977

from Lory M. Free and Myrtle Joy Free, husband and wife, Mary Ann Free Smith, a married woman dealing with her separate property, and Helen Free VanderBeek, a married woman dealing with her separate property, OWNER,

to Exxon Corporation, OPTIONEE.

The properties covered by the within instrument of purchase option are described as follows, to-wit:

Six (6) Placer Mining Claims covering 960.00 acres, more or less, situate in Lincoln County, Nevada, being:

Township 2 South - Range 68 East

Section 10: All  
Section 11:  $W\frac{1}{2}$

Recording Data:

Location Notices

Claim Name	Date of Location	Recorded		Date Recorded
		Book	Page	
Diatomite 1	10-9-62	V-1	96	10-9-62
Diatomite 2	10-9-62	V-1	96, 97	10-9-62
Diatomite 3	10-9-62	V-1	97	10-9-62
Diatomite 4	10-9-62	V-1	97	10-9-62
Diatomite 5	10-9-62	V-1	97, 98	10-9-62
Diatomite 6	10-9-62	V-1	98	10-9-62

Location Certificates

Diatomite 1	12-21-62	V-1	176	3-18-63
Diatomite 2	12-21-62	V-1	176	3-18-63
Diatomite 3	12-21-62	V-1	176	3-18-63
Diatomite 4	12-21-62	V-1	177	3-18-63
Diatomite 5	12-21-62	V-1	177	3-18-63
Diatomite 6	12-21-62	V-1	177	3-18-63

And the foregoing particular descriptions shall be deemed (without increase in the considerations stated in the within instrument) to include all interests of OWNER now owned or hereafter acquired in lands which are:

A. Contiguous with or cornering the particularly described properties; or within mining claims or millsites which conflict with or overlie the same in whole or in part, or within the area bounded by straight lines around the exterior limits of the above described properties.

B. Within an area extending one (1) mile from the exterior lines of the properties particularly described or included under the provisions of the foregoing subparagraph A; provided, however, that the inclusion of after acquired interests under the terms of this subparagraph B shall apply only to acquisitions consummated within two (2) years after the date of the within instrument.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the attached instrument, executed by H. P. Gready as Senior Supervisor, Landowner Relations, (Unoperated Acreage), was duly authorized by Exxon Corporation, and that the execution and delivery of such instrument are the acts of Exxon Corporation.

Executed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1978.

EXXON CORPORATION

By James H. Taylor  
Assistant Secretary



No. 63569

FILED AND RECORDED AT REQUEST OF  
EXXON CORP.  
JANUARY 15, 1979  
AT 1 MINUTES PAST 1 O'CLOCK  
P.M. IN BOOK 38 OF OFFICIAL  
RECORDS, PAGE 503 LINCOLN  
COUNTY, NEVADA.

Gurchie Suther  
COUNTY RECORDER