

Lease No. 77927

SURRENDER OF OIL AND GAS LEASE IN WHOLE

WHEREAS, Under date of December 1, 1991, the Secretary of the Interior of the United States, pursuant and subject to the terms and provisions of the Act of Congress, approved February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 437), as amended, issued that certain Oil and Gas Lease bearing Serial Number N-55176 to D. M. Yates, recorded in Book 100, Page 455 of the records of Lincoln County, Nevada, and covering the following described lands situated in Lincoln County, Nevada, to-wit:

Township 1 North, Range 65 East
Section 10: All
Section 11: All
Section 12: All
Containing 1,920.00 acres, more or less

WHEREAS, Hunt Oil Company of Nevada, 1445 Ross at Field, Dallas, Texas 75202, and Winn Exploration Co. Inc., One Shoreline Plaza, 19th Floor - North Tower, 800 North Shoreline Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401, are the present owners and holders of said Oil and Gas Lease and all rents, royalties, and other obligations due and payable under said lease have been duly paid to the United States of America and there is not now due or owing any wages or monies to workmen employed in operations conducted on the above described lands, and the public interest will not be impaired if said lease is surrendered in its entirety; and full provisions for the conservation and protection of the said property have been made by the Assignee; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Oil Company of Nevada and Winn Exploration Co., Inc. now desire to surrender to the United States of America, pursuant to the right of surrender, contained in said lease, all of the above described lands.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises, the undersigned, Hunt Oil Company of Nevada and Winn Exploration Co., Inc., the present owners of said lease, do hereby surrender, release, assign and relinquish to the United States of America all of their right, title and interest in and to the lands described above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this 24 day of December 1996.

HUNT OIL COMPANY OF NEVADA

By: [Signature]
Thomas J. Cwikla
Vice President-Exploration

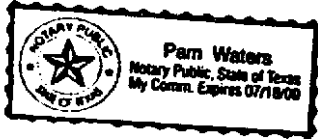
WINN EXPLORATION CO., INC.

By: [Signature]

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on December 24, 1996, by Thomas J. Cwikla, Vice President-Exploration of HUNT OIL COMPANY OF NEVADA, a Nevada corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

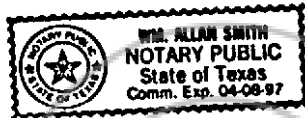


Pam Waters
Notary Public

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF Nueces §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on December 24, 1996, by Michael W. Cailley, U.P. of WINN EXPLORATION CO., INC., on behalf of said corporation.



W.A. Smith
Notary Public

NO. 106690
FILED AND RECORDED AT THE REQUEST
OF HUNT OIL COMPANY OF NEVADA
ON DECEMBER 30, 1996 AT 40 MINUTES
PAST 9 O'CLOCK A.M. IN BOOK 123,
PAGE 155, OFFICIAL RECORDS,
LINCOLN COUNTY NEVADA.

YURIKO SETZER, RECORDER
By Julie Boucher, DEPUTY