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MINUTE ITEM
This Calendar Item No. C53
was approved as Minute Item
No. 53 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
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meeting 5/26/94

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APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF INTERESTS IN
STATE OIL AND GAS LEASES
E-392, PRC 91, PRC 163, PRC 425 AND PRC 426
HUNTINGTON BEACH FIELD,
ORANGE COUNTY

ASSIGNOR:

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ASSIGNEE:

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AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:

Five State oil and gas leases located in the Huntington
Beach Offshore Field, Orange County, totaling approximately
3, 539 acres more or less of tide and submerged lands..

LAND USE:

Oil and gas production.

BACKGROUND:

The subject State oil and gas leases are located within the
Huntington Beach Offshore Field, Orange County. These
leases were issued between March 21, 1943 and September 24,
1958, and have been assigned a number of times since their
issuance. Shell is the present majority interest holder and
operator of these leases.

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The partial interests in these leases, which are held in two trusts, result from the partial assignment of interests in these leases from Signal Oil and Gas Company, the majority interest holder, to Pauley Petroleum, Inc., and Edwin W. Pauley. This assignment was approved November 13, 1964. Later, the minority interests in these leases were placed in a series of trusts by Edwin W. Pauley and his wife, Barbara Jean McHenry Pauley. Subsequent to Edwin W. Pauley's death in January 1987, interests in the jointly held trusts were transferred to the present two trusts. Barbara Pauley Pagen was appointed as trustee of the trusts.

On April 7, 1994, Shell Onshore Ventures, Inc. (Shell) requested Commission approval of the assignment of 100 percent of the trusts' interests in the five (5) State oil and gas leases in the Huntington Beach Offshore Field, Orange County to Shell Onshore Ventures, Inc.

The leases are currently held by production and operated by Shell.

PREREQUISITE CONDITIONS, FEES AND EXPENSES:

Filing Fee, processing costs have been received.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

- A. Article 3.5 Cal. Code Regs.
- B. Section 2163, Cal. Code Regs.
- C. Section 4 of Leases.
- D. P.R.C. Section 6804.

AB 884:

N/A

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity 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.

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2. The State Lands Commission approves the assignment of interest in these leases conditionally, not as a warranty of title.

EXHIBIT:

- A. 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.
2. APPROVE THE ASSIGNMENT OF PARTIAL INTEREST IN STATE OIL AND GAS LEASES E-392.1, PRC 91.1, PRC 163, PRC 425.1 AND PRC 426.1 IN THE HUNTINGTON BEACH FIELD, ORANGE COUNTY, FROM THE BARBARA PAULEY MARITAL TRUST AND BARBARA MCHENRY PAULEY TRUST TO SHELL ONSHORE VENTURES INC., CONDITIONALLY, WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE.
3. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS TO EFFECT THIS ASSIGNMENT.
4. THIS ASSIGNMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ON JULY 1, 1994.

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