A regular meeting of the State Lands Commission was held in Room 5100 State Capitol, Sacramento 14, California, at 9:35 a.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 1956.

Present: John M. Peirce, Chairman Harold J. Powers, Member Robert C. Kirkwood, Member

Staff Members in Attendance:

Rufus W. Putnam, Executive Officer J. Stuart Watson, Assistant Executive Officer F. J. Hortig, Mineral Resources Engineer Kenneth C. Smith, Supervising Land Title Abstractor Julia T. Stahl, Secretary

Others in Attendance:

Members of the State Legislature Allen Miller, Assemblyman

Representing the Office of the Attorney General Jay Shavelson, Deputy Attorney General

Representing the Office of the State Controller Howard H. Schmidt, Administrative Adviser Pat Sikes

Miscellaneous

Herris E. Hogan (Legislative Budget Committee) Assigned to Allen Miller Subcommittee of the Assembly Committee on Conservation, Planning and Public Works

Representing Mrs. Helen X. Rankin (Minute Item No. 19) Andy Charlton

Representing Oil and Gas Interests

Dolley, Jessen & Painter J. M. Jessen

Edwin W. Pauley & Associates J. Barton Hutching

General Petroleum Corporation W. P. Carver Robert A. Gallison Geo. H. Ketchum

Hancock Oil Company Ralph Cormany

Humble Cil & Refining Company William R. Gardner L. W. Sewell Monterey Oil Company Martin N. Erck The Ohio Oil Company H. T. Sutherland Fhillips Petroleum Company Mark R. Corcoran Reserve 011 & Gas Company R. R. Templeton Richfield Oil Corporation Richard C. Bergen K. M. Cook Signal 011 and Gas Company Paul Ottoson Romett E. Wolter Standard Oil Company of California Paul K. Home Superior Oil Company Paul Lover The Texas Company D. E. Toelle Tidewater Oil Company James B. Rives Union Oil Company of California Sam Grinsfelder Earl M. Welty Western Gulf Cil Company A. S. Hawley Janes G. Leovy W. A. McEachin Emons Sebenius T. H. Wallace Western 011 & Gas Association

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Harry Morrison Robert T. Patton Note: Representatives of the City of Long Beach were unable to be present at the meeting because of weather conditions affecting plane service. However, they informed the staff of the Commission by telephone that it would be satisfactory to take action on Minute Items 14, 15, and 16 inasmuch as there was nothing controversial to be discussed.

1. UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF NOVEMBER 8, 1956, OF NOVEMBER 15, 1956, AND OF NOVEMBER 19, 1956, WERE CON-FIRMED AS WRITTEN AND MAILED TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION.

2. IT WAS TENTATIVELY AGREED THAT THE MEXT MEETING OF THE COMMISSION WOULD BE HELD THE LATTER PART OF THE WEEK BEGINNING JANUARY 7, 1957, WITH THE EXACT DATE TO BE DETERMINED LATER.

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