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C14. ASSIGNMENT OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES LEASE; EDWARD V. PRATI, JOHN T. SINK, PETER H. FLOOD & RICHARD J. WALL (TRUSTEE), (ASSIGNORS); AMINOIL USA, INC. (ASSIGNEE); W 4008-7.

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ASSIGNMENT OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES LEASE

LEASE: PRC 5217.2.

LOCATION: Geysers Area, Sonoma County.

TYPE OF LAND: Reserved Mineral Interests.

ACREAGE: 434.16 acres.

ASSIGNOR: Edward V. Prati, John T. Sink, Peter H. Flood and Richard J. Wall, as Trustee. One Embarcadero Center, Suite 2201, San Francisco, California 94111.

ASSIGNEE: Aminoil USA, Inc.
(Formerly Burmah Oil & Gas Company)
P. O. Box 2828
Long Beach, California 90801

PREREQUISITES: 1. Assignment forms have been executed.
2. Assignee is qualified to hold a State lease.
3. The statutory filing fee and expense deposit have been submitted.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

State Geothermal Resources Lease PRC 5217.2 was issued to the surface owners Edward V. Prati, John T. Sink, Peter H. Flood and Richard J. Wall, as Trustee, on February 25, 1977. Aminoil has entered into a lease with the surface owners with respect to the surface owner's interest, if any, in the geothermal resources. Under this lease Aminoil has been granted whatever rights this surface owner may have to develop the geothermal resources including assignment of the State lease to Aminoil. In the interim, Aminoil has acted as operator on behalf of the Lessee and now proposes to drill a well within the lease area to evaluate the geothermal potential of the parcel.

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Section 36, of the lease, provides that the lessee may assign the lease subject to the written prior consent of the Commission.

The proposed assignment will not have an environmental impact and is considered to be a ministerial project under the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (Title 14, Cal. Adm. Code). An environmental impact report was prepared by the Sonoma County Board of Zoning Adjustments covering geothermal development in the area and was considered by the Commission prior to issuing the lease.

EXHIBIT: A. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. DETERMINE THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS ACTIVITY AS SUCH REPORT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 14, CAL. ADM. CODE 15073.
2. APPROVE THE ASSIGNMENT OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES LEASE PRC 5217.2, BY THE LESSEES, EDWARD V. PRATI, JOHN T. SINK, PETER H. FLOOD AND RICHARD J. WALL, AS TRUSTEE, TO AMINOIL USA, INC., ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT TO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.