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REQUEST FOR AN EXEMPTION OF AN OIL AND GAS LEASE FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

APPLICANTA

East Bay Municipal Utility District P. O. Box 24055 Oakland, California 94623 Attn: Mr. Walter D. Goggin, Manager of Properties

AREA, TYPE OF LAND AND LOGATION:

43 acres of land owned in fee by the East Bay Municipal Utility District adjacent to the Mokelumne Aqueduct pipelines in Contra Costa Gounty. The parcels compose a 100 foot wide strip of land bordering directly on the Mokelumne Aqueduct pipelines. The District intends to enter into an oil and gas lease with Taylor Exploration Inc., a Division of Pan Canadian Petroleum Company. The District has requested that the Commission exempt the lease from the procedural requirements of competitive public bidding as specified by Sections 7052 and 7053 of the P.R.C.

PERTINENT INFORMATION:

The parcels owned in fee by the East Bay Municipal Utility District and located in Contra Costa County are surrounded on two sides by parcels Pan Canadian Petroleum Company has under lease. The District parcels are small and irregular in shape being a 100 foot wide strip of land bordering the Mokelumne Aqueduct pipelines. No surface drillsites are available on the parcels because of their irregular shape and due to the presence of the three aqueduct

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pipelines. Drainage from the parcels under lease to Pan Canadian Petroleum Company is imminent. Therefore, the District parcels qualify for an exemption under the provisions of Section 7052 of the P.R.C.

Pan Canadian Petroleum Company has offered to pay the District a rental of \$30 per acre per year and a one fifth royalty share on all oil and gas production. Staff feels that the royalty offered the District is adequate,

The Staff believes that the parcels can be economically developed by the proposed lessee and that it would be impractical for the District to follow the competitive bidding procedures as outlined in Sections 7052 and 7053 of the P.R.C. The parcels are irregular in shape and the potential for drainage from adjacent lands under the control of the potential lessee appears imminent.

In accordance with Section 7052 of the P.R.C., the State Lands Commission may, in its discretion, exempt particular leases from the procedures of public bidding if it deems that such procedures are impractical by reason of the small size of the property or drainage from surrounding land.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA because it is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: P.R.C. 21065 and 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15378.

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EXHIBITS:

A. Legal Description.

.B. Lease Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEOA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 BEGAUSE IT IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C, 21065 AND 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15378.
- 2. EXEMPT THE EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT FROM THE PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS OF P.R.C. SECTIONS 7052 AND 7053 IN THE PROPOSED LEASING OF THE DISTRICT S ORWOOD TRACT PARCELS IN CONTRACOSTA COUNTY.

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EXHIBIT "A"

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the county of Contra Costa, State of California and more particularly bounded and described as follows, to wit:

PARCEL ONE:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of the 153.89 acre tract conveyed to the Toyon Duck Club by Deed dated August 24, 1925 and recorded September 15, 1925 in Vol. 2 of Official Records, Page 141, records of Contra Costa County and running thence from said point along the South boundary of the fight of way of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, 5. 870 06" W., 2844.0 feet to the Northeast corner of a 2.28 acre tract previously conveyed by Horace L. Hill, Jr. and Jeanne Galleis Hill, his wife, to the Toyon Duck Club, a corporation, by Deed dated June 3, 1924 and recorded July 10, 1924 in Vol. 476 of Deeds, Page 100; and continuing thence along the South boundary of the right of way of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, S. 890 06' W., 520.00 feet to the point of beginning and running thence from said point of beginning along the South boundary of the right of way of the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway S. 890 06' W., 68.00 feet to the outer toe of the levee forming the Westerly boundary of the Orwood Tract; thence S. 200 52' E., 133.00 feet along the outer toe of said levee; thence N. 89° 06' E., 68.00 feet; thence N. 20° 52' W., 133.00 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL TWO:

BEGINNING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14, and 15, in T1N, R3E., MDM, thence N. 89° .06' E. parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the main tracks of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, 3776.00 feet to the point of beginning of the tract of land described herein; and running thence from said point S. 20° 52' E. 133.00 feet; thence N. 89° 06' E. 40° .06 feet; thence N. 26° 46' E. 141.14 feet to a point on the South Boundary of the right of way of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway; thence along the South boundary of the right of way of said railway S. 89° 06' W., 520.00 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL THREE:

8EGINNING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15, of T1N, R3E, MDM, and running thence N. 890 06' East parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway right of way, 4296.00 feet to the point of beginning of the tract of land described herein; thence continuing N. 890 06' E. 252.00 feet to the center line of a 4-foot ditch; thence S. 110 32' E. 127.19 feet along the center line of said ditch; thence S. 890 06' W. 341.04 feet; thence N. 260 46' E. 141.14 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL FOUR:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of the 153.89 acre tract conveyed to the Toyon Duck Club, by Dead dated Autust 24, 1925, and recorded September 15, 1925 in Vol. 2 of Official Records, Page 141, records of Contra Costa Gounty, California, and running thence from said point of beginning, along the South boundary of the Fight of way of the Atchison, Toneka and Santa Fe Railway S. 890 06! W. 2592.00 feet to the center of a four foot ditch; thence along the center line of said ditch, S. 10 33! E. 127.19 feet; thence N. 890 06! E. 2553.88 feet to the center line of a drainage canal; thence N. 050 46! E. 125.85 feet along the center line of said drainage canal to the point of beginning.

PARCEL FIVE:

COMMENCING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15 TMN, R3E, MDM, and running thence parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway N. 890 06 E. 7140 6 feet to the intersection with the center line of a drainage canal running Southerly, the point of beginning of the parcel hereinafter described and running thence from said point of beginning parallel to and 200.00 feet south of the center line of the main track of the Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, said line being the Southerly right of way line of the said Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, N. 890 06 E 2078.35 feet to an intersection with the East bank of a slough; thence along the Easterly and Southerly bank of said slough, S. 500 41 W. 100.00 feet; N. 880 21 W. 200.00

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feet; S. 750 36' W. 87.00 feet; S. 140 02' W. 88.53 feet; thence leaving said slough S. 890 06' W. 1417.39 feet to the intersection with the center line of said drainage canal; thence along the center line of said drainage canal, N. 050 46' E. 125.85 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL SIX:

BEGINNING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, TIN, R3E, MDM, and running thence parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway North 890 06' East 10,875.00 feet to the intersection with the center line of a drainage canal running Southerly, the point of beginning of the tract hereinafter described; thence from said: point of beginning along the center line of said drainage canal, South 000 58 East 425.00 feet; thence leaving said drainage canal South 899 O6! West 2334, 96 feet to an intersection with the East bank of a slough; thence along the Easterly and Southerly bank of said slough North 140 02' East 88.53 feet; thence North 769 36' East 87.00 feet; thence North 870 02 East 200.00 Feet; thence South 610 49 East 80.00 feet; thence South 880 24' East 220.00 feet; thence North 500 41! East 100.00 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way line of the said Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway; thence leaving said slough and following said Southerly right of way line, North 890 06 East 1652.42 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL SEVEN:

BEGINNING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15, TIN, R3E, MDM, and running thence parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atchison Topeka and Sanca fe Railway, North 890.06 East 10,875.00 feet, to the intersection with the center line of a drainage canal running Southerly, the point of beginning North 899.06 East 992.00 feet to the intersection with the center line of a four foot ditch running Southerly; thence along the center line of said four foot ditch South 000 57 East 125.00 feet; thence, leaving said four foot ditch, South 899.06 West 992.00 feet to the intersection with the center line of said drainage canal North 000 58 West 125.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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PARCEL EIGHT

BEGINNING at a point 200 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, T1N, R3E, MDM, and running thence parallel to and 200 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, N. 890 06 E. 11,867 feet to the intersection with the center line of a four foot ditch running Southerly, the point of beginning of the parcel hereinafter described; thence from said point of beginning N. 890 06 E. 1584.37 feet; thence S. 000 37 E. 69.92 feet; thence S. 780 15 E. 1665.82 feet; thence due South 36.10 feet to the intersection with the center line of a seepage ditch running parallel to the levea forming the North houndary of the Orwood Tract; thence along the center line of said seepage ditch, N. 780 15! W. 1612.93 feet; thence S. 890 06 W. 1373.10 feet to the intersection with the center line of said seepage ditch, N. 780 15! W. 1612.93 feet; thence S. 890 06 W. 1373.10 feet to the intersection with the center line of said four foot ditch; thence along the center line of said four-foot ditch, N. 000 57 W. 125.00 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL NINE:

BEGINNING at a point 200 feet South of the conner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15; T1N, R3E, MDM, and running thence parallel to and 200 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, N. 890 06 E. 14,648 feet to a point in the center line produced of a four foot ditch running Southerly; thence along the center line of said ditch, S. 000 36 W. 483 feet to the intersection with the center line of a seepage ditch paralleling the levee forming the North boundary of Orwood Tract; thence along the center line of said ditch N. 870 29 E. 445 feet to the point of beginning of the hereinafer described parcel; thence from said point of beginning, leaving said seepage ditch due North 36.10 feet; thence S. 780 15 E. 134.05 feet; thence S. 020 30 E. 3.02 feet to an intersection with the center line of said seepage ditch; thence along the center line of said seepage ditch, S. 870 29 W. 131.5 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL TEN:

BEGINNING at a point 200.00 feet South of the corner common to Sections 10, 11, 14 and 15, Tin, R3E, MDM, and running thence

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parallel to and 200.00 feet South of the center line of the main track of the Atcheson Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, N. 890 06' E. 14,648 feet to a point in the center line produced of a four-foot ditch, running Southerly; thence along said center line produced S. 000 36' W. 483.00 feet to the intersection with the center line of a seepage ditch paralleling the levee forming the North boundary of Orwood Tract; thence along the center line of said seepage ditch, N. 870 29' E. 186.92 feet to the point of beginning of the parcel hereinafter described; thence from the said point of beginning along the center line of said seepage ditch, N. 870 29' E. 393.84 feet; thence, leaving said seepage ditch, N. 870 29' E. 393.84 feet; thence, leaving said seepage ditch, N. 870 29' E. 207.5.76 feet; thence S. 780 15' E. 12.24 feet to the intersection with the center line of said seepage ditch, N. 870 29' E. 207.5.76 feet to the Low Water Line on the West shore of old River; thence along said Low Water Line, S. 010 32' E. 225.64 feet, and S. 100/00' W. 76.57 feet; thence leaving said Low Water Line, S. 880 22' W. 143.28 feet; thence N. 870 29' W. 89.14 feet; thence N. 020 31' E. 25.00 feet; thence N. 870 29' W. 89.14 feet; thence N. 020 31' E. 25.00 feet; thence N. 870 29' W. 1824.72 feet; thence N. 780 15' W. 426.64 feet to the point of beginning.

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