

MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. 26  
was approved as Minute Item  
No. 26 by the State Lands  
Commission by a vote of 2  
to 0 at its 3/28/85  
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APPROVAL OF AMENDED GAS SALES AGREEMENT  
STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 5995  
SOLANO COUNTY

LESSEE: Casex Company  
1370 Brea Boulevard  
Fullerton, California 92635.

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:  
A 238-acre parcel of tide and submerged land,  
located within the bed of Lindsay Slough,  
Solano County.

APPROVALS REQUESTED:  
Approval of gas sales agreement between Casex  
Company, the State's Lessee, and Pacific Gas  
and Electric Company.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:  
1. Casex Company is operator for Casex and  
Seahawk International, Inc. who are joint  
Lessees under PRC 5995 at Lindsay Slough.  
The lease provides for 16 2/3 percent  
royalty and 80 percent of the net profits  
to the State. Casex has submitted for  
Commission approval an amended sales  
agreement with Pacific Gas and Electric for  
natural gas produced from two of three  
existing wells on the State Lease.

The gas sales contract as amended with  
Pacific Gas and Electric covers wells  
Number 1-1, and 2-1.

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The amended contract provides for the sales of gas at \$3.00/MMHTU and 1/3 load factor (minimum purchase is 33 percent of the wells maximum deliverability) for the calendar year 1985. Every two years thereafter the price may be determined based on the fair market value of the gas as mutually agreed upon or established through arbitration proceedings. The overall term of the agreements extends to January 1, 2001.

AB 884: N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to paragraph 15 of Lease PRC 5995, the Lessee must obtain prior state approval before entering into any sales contract for the disposition of production from the leased lands.
2. 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 the activity is not a "project" as defined by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

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

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15378.
2. APPROVE THE AMENDED GAS SALES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CASEX COMPANY AND PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY DATED MARCH 7, 1985, FOR GAS PRODUCED UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 5995.

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