

MINUTE ITEM  
This Calendar Item No. 37  
was approved as Minute Item  
No. 37 by the State Lands  
Commission by a vote of 3  
to 0 at its 1-21-88  
meeting.

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DEFERMENT OF DRILLING OPERATIONS  
STATE OIL AND GAS LEASES, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
PRC 1824, PRC 3133, PRC 3150 AND PRC 4000

LESSEES:

Chevron U.S.A., Inc.  
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Ventura, California 93006

Exxon Company, U.S.A.  
Attn: Bruce Bowen  
P.O. Box 5025  
Thousand Oaks, California 91359

ARCO Oil and Gas Company  
Attn: Doug Logan  
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Bakersfield, California 93302

AREA, TYPE LAND AND LOCATION:

State oil and gas Lease PRC 1824, issued on January 10, 1957, contains approximately 5,500 acres of tidelands. Current lessees of PRC 1824 are Chevron U.S.A., Inc. (Chevron) and Exxon Company, U.S.A. (Exxon). State oil and gas Lease PRC 3133, issued on May 28, 1964, contains 5,535 acres. The current lessee is Exxon. State oil and gas Lease 3150 are Chevron and ARCO. State oil and gas Lease PRC 4000, issued August 28, 1968, contains 204 acres. Current lessees of PRC 4000 are Chevron and ARCO. By separate agreement dated June 22, 1968, Chevron is operator of the existing facilities (platforms and onshore) which serve all four tracts.

SUMMARY:

Resumptions of drilling operations from existing facilities (platforms) on oil and gas Leases PRC 1824, PRC 3150 and PRC 4000 were authorized by the Commission October 28, 1976. Resumption of drilling on PRC 3133 from existing Chevron facilities, located on Platform Heidi on Lease PRC 3150, was authorized on December 17, 1981. As a condition to the resumption of drilling on these four leases, the Commission has required that no more than one drilling rig can be operated at any time on any of the four platforms. The drilling obligations on each of the four leases, the Commission has required that no more than one drilling rig can be operated at any time on any of the four platforms. The drilling obligations on each of the four leases was modified so that drilling on any one of the leases satisfied the drilling obligation for all four leases. The leases were also modified to provide for a 90-day interval between drilling obligations. Since resumption of drilling was approved, 27 wells have been drilled on the four leases.

On May 28, 1987 the State Lands Commission approved the deferment of the drilling obligation under the four leases until November 5, 1987. The lessees are now ready to continue drilling activity from Platform Heidi into the PRC 3133 lease. It is expected that management approvals and drill rig mobilization can be obtained by July 5, 1988. Up to seven wells are planned to be drilled. Production will enter existing facilities; no new or modified facilities will be constructed. All operations will be conducted consistent with previously obtained permits from responsible agencies. This drilling activity will fulfill the obligations of all four State oil and gas leases.

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. 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.

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. 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 A DEFERMENT OF THE DRILLING OBLIGATION UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC'S 1824, 3133, 3150 AND 4000 FROM NOVEMBER 5, 1987 THROUGH JULY 4, 1987.

# DEFERMENT OF DRILLSTRING OBLIGATION

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

PRCs 1824, 3133, 3150 and 4000

CHEVRON EXXON ARCO

VENTURA COUNTY

Point  
Conception

HERMAN

HELEN

HOLLY

SANTA  
BARBARA

HILDA

HAZEL

HOPE

HEIDI

RINCON  
ISLAND

VENTURA

SANTA  
BARBARA  
CHANNEL

PROJECT AREA

SAN MIGUEL  
ISLAND

SANTA ROSA  
ISLAND

SANTA CRUZ  
ISLAND

ANACAPA ISLAND

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LEGEND

▲ PRODUCTION PLATFORM

● DRILLING ISLAND

■ DRILLING PLATFORM

□ STATE OFFSHORE LEASES

EXHIBIT A