

MINUTE ITEM CO9

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CONSENT TO THE POOLING OF 28 ACRES OF LEASED LANDS
UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 7383
HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Consent Calendar Item CO9 was moved and considered during the regular session.

Minute Item CO9 was presented by Al Willard, Supervising Mineral Resources Engineer, in regards to an application for Atlantic Richfield for 28.00 acres of leased lands they have in Humboldt County. Arco has requested the approval of the Commission to the pooling of these lands. Staff has evaluated the geologic and reservoir data and determined that this lease will be economically advantageous to the State.

Mr. Lee Piper, a private property owner in the area spoke against this action and asked that we postpone the matter. He presented a plat map of the area claiming that Arco's drilling and pipeline activity infringed upon his lands and that the pipeline involved dredging of the river, which he claimed to own. Mr. Piper further complained of gravel operations on the river opposite his lands.

Jim Frey, staff counsel, advised that recently we were contacted by several agencies about property that is being mined near Mr. Piper's property. Mr. Frey advised that as of yet we do not know if the mining is taking place on state land.

Mr. Warren advised the Commissioners that State Lands Commission staff had recently undertaken to investigate all illegal operations on the river and we would be anxious to receive any information that the witness can supply us about illegal mining on state waterways but at this time we do not see any conflict on the activities before us.

After considerable discussion it was voted 3-0 to approve the project.

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This Calendar Item No. C09
was approved as Minute Item
No. 9 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 3
to 0 at its 8-12-91
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LESSEE/OPERATOR:

Atlantic Reichfield Company
Attn: Frank E. Holmes
P. O. Box 147
Bakersfield, California 93302

SUMMARY:

Negotiated subsurface (no surface use) State oil and gas lease PRC 7383 was entered into with Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) on March 27, 1990. This lease contains approximately 106 acres in the bed of the Eel River located within Sections 14, 15, 22 and 23, T2N, R1W, HBM, Humboldt County, California.

Paragraph 22(b) of the lease allows the Lessee, with the consent of the State and under terms and conditions approved by the State, to pool or unitize all or part of the leased lands with lands held by the Lessee or others.

ARCO proposes to form an operating unit that contains a total of 491.51 acres of State and private leased lands (described in Exhibit "A"). ARCO's unit is called the "Christiansen Unit #1" and is created for the development and production of natural gas. ARCO has requested that the Commission consent to the pooling of 28.00 acres of leased lands under State oil and gas lease PRC 383 by approving ARCO's Declaration of Pooling dated March 13, 1991 which created the Christiansen Unit #1.

The staff has evaluated the geologic and reservoir data and has determined that this unit will be economically advantageous to the State to share in the production from the proposed unit.

BASIS FOR CONSIDERATION:

P.R.C. 6829.2, P.R.C. 6832 and Paragraph 22(b) of State oil and gas lease 7383.

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AB 884:
N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority, and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15061), the staff has determined that this activity, consent to the pooling of a portion of leased lands under State oil and gas lease PRC 7383, 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. Code Regs. 15378.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Land Description of Christiansen Unit #1.
- B. Map of Christiansen Unit #1.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THIS ACTIVITY, CONSENT TO THE POOLING OF A PORTION OF LEASED LANDS UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 7383, EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY P.R.C. 21065 AND 14 CAL. CODE REGS. 15378.
2. CONSENT TO THE POOLING OF 28.00 ACRES OF LEASED LANDS UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 7383 WITH OTHER PRIVATE LEASED LANDS HELD BY ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY (ARCO). CONSENT IS GIVEN BY APPROVING ARCO'S DECLARATION OF POOLING DATED MARCH 13, 1991, WHICH CREATES THE "CHRISTIANSSEN UNIT #1" DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" (APPROXIMATELY 491.51 TOTAL ACRES INCLUDING 28.00 ACRES OF LEASED LANDS UNDER STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 7383) AND IN EXHIBIT "B". THE UNITIZED AND NON-UNITIZED LEASED LANDS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF STATE OIL AND GAS LEASE PRC 7383, ANY CONDITIONS IN THE DECLARATION OF POOLING TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING.

EXHIBIT "A"

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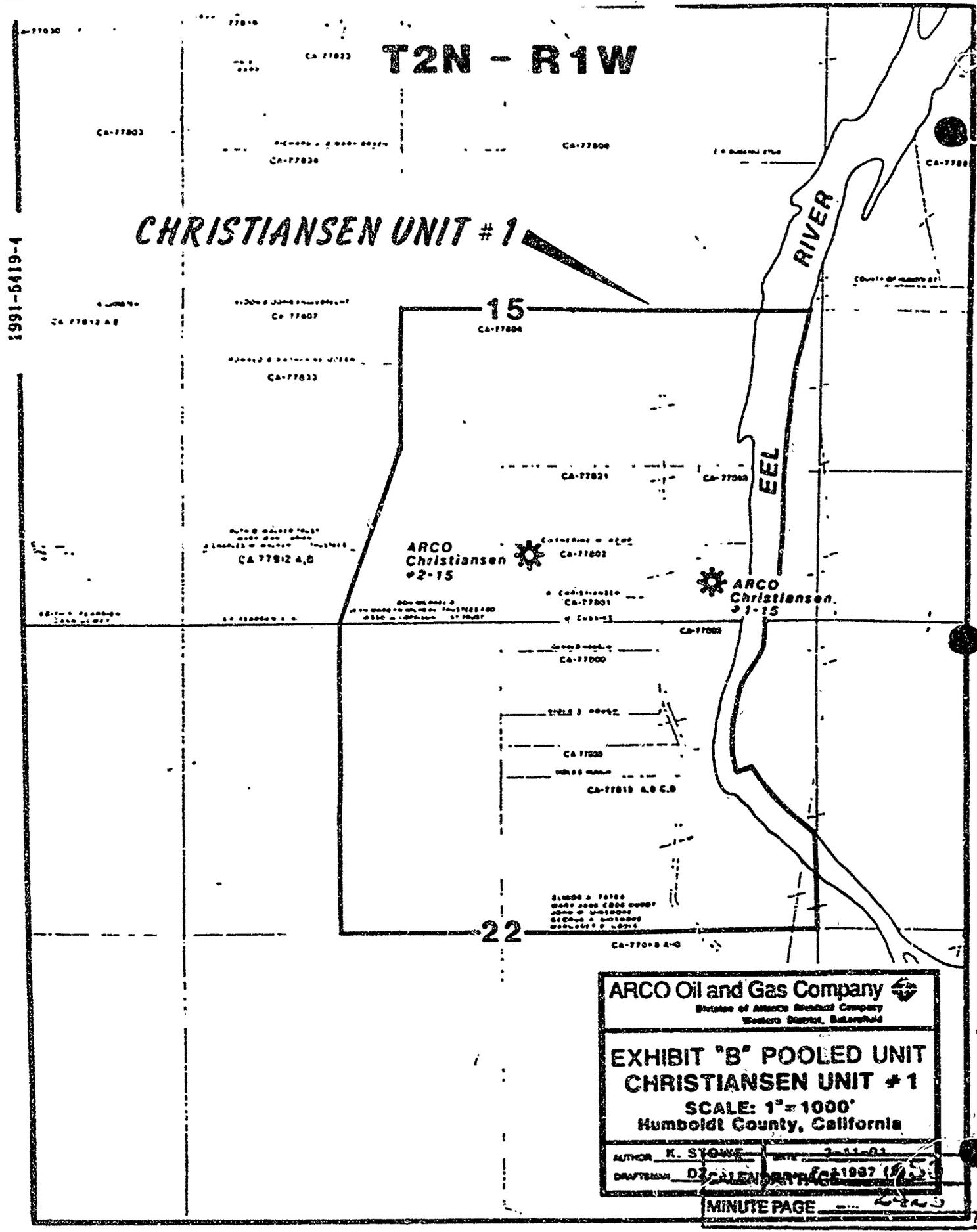
ARCO LEASE NUMBER	LESSOR	LEASE DATE	RECORDING DATE	RECORDING INFO	NET ACRES	DESCRIPTION
CA 77800	Viola S. Hough	4-20-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 316	25.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77801	Darrel T. Cussins and Rena B. Cussins	4-20-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 319	4.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 PTN SE/4
CA 77802	Kenneth Christiansen and Linda L. Christiansen	4-20-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 322	35.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 PTN SE/4
CA 77808	Mary I. Fleek	4-26-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 338	43.18	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77813A	Elinor A. Tatke	4-21-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 396	19.20	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77813B	Mary Jane Cobb Mundt, formerly Mary Jane Cobb	4-21-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 59	19.20	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77813C	John W. Dinsmore	4-21-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 385	19.20	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77813D	George A. Dinsmore	4-21-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 362	19.20	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77813E	Margaret D. Goble	4-21-88	6-01-88	Vol 1875 Pg 365	19.20	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77871	Catherine M. Kemp	5-12-88	6-01-88	Vol 1878 Pg 836	22.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 PTN SE/4
CA 77846	Lee R. Piper, Karen Erickson Piper and Evelyn H. Erickson, all as Joint Tenants	7-08-88	11-01-88	Vol 1891 Pg 1180	19.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 PTN SE/4
CA 77879	Terry E. Russ	1-14-89	2-15-89	Vol 1989-3129-2	80.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 E/2NW/4 (ONLY)
CA 77884	Don Michael and Jean Marilyn Michael, Trustees of the John M. Lorenson Testamentary Trust, f/b/o Jessie G. Lorenson and Jennie G. Lorenson, Individually	7-06-89	8-8-89	Vol 1989-1578-2	131.83	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 PTN SE/4 AND PTN SW/4
CA 77890	Gerald Hansen and Gloria J. Hansen	3-17-90	4-16-90	Vol 1990-8665-2	7.50	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 22 PTN NE/4
CA 77919	State of California, State Lands Commission	3-27-90	4-12-90	Vol 1990-8391-3	28.00	T2N-R1W HBM SEC 15 & 22 (PTN) DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A PARCEL OF LAND BEING ALL OF THE BED OF THE EEL RIVER WITHIN SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T2N-R1W, HBM EXCEPTING THEREFROM A PORTION LYING LANDWARD OF THE ORDINARY LOW WATER MARK OF SAID RIVER.

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CHRISTIANSSEN UNIT #1

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ARCO Christiansen #2-15

ARCO Christiansen #1-15

ARCO Oil and Gas Company
 Division of ARCO Energy Company
 Western District, Berkeley, CA

EXHIBIT "B" POOLED UNIT
CHRISTIANSSEN UNIT #1
 SCALE: 1" = 1000'
 Humboldt County, California

AUTHOR: K. STONE DATE: 3-11-81
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