MINUTE ITEM

This Calendar Item No. Coff was approved as Minute Item No. 54 by the California State Lands Commission by a vote of 3 to 2 at its 12/10/98 meeting.

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12/16/98 PRC 5107.1 D. Jones

ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

LESSEE/ASSIGNOR:

Shell Western E&P Inc. 5060 California Avenue P.O. Box 11164 Bakersfield, California 93389-1164

ASSIGNEE:

CalResources LLC 5060 California Avenue P.O. Box 11164 Bakersfield, California 93389-1164

ASSIGNOR:

CalResources LLC 5060 California Avenue P.O. Box 11164 Bakersfield, California 93389-1164

ASSIGNEE:

Aera Energy LLC 5060 California Avenue P.O. Box 11164 Bakersfield, California 93389-1164

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

10.901 acres, more or less, of sovereign lands in Honker Bay, Solano County; Suisun Bay, Contra Costa County; Roaring River Slough, Solano County; Grizzley Slough, Solano County; Montezuma Slough, Solano County; and the Sacramento River, Sacramento and Yolo counties; from the city of Martinez to the city of Sacramento.

AUTHORIZED USE:

An existing natural gas pipeline.

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LEASE TERM:

Ten years, beginning April 1, 1991.

CONSIDERATION:

\$3,575, with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1. Assignee has a right to use the uplands adjoining the lease premises.
- 2. Lease PRC No. 5107.1 was assigned to Shell California Production, Inc. effective June 1, 1982 and was subsequently merged into another subsidiary, Shell Western E&P Inc. effective April 1, 1987. On July 6, 1995, Shell Western E&P Inc. assigned and transferred all of its assets to CalResources LLC. On May 27, 1997, all of the assets of CalResources LLC, were assigned and transferred to Aera Energy LLC. Aera Energy LLC is a combined company consisting of CalResources LLC (a Shell Oil Company affiliate) and Mobil Exploration & Producing U.S., Inc., which is Mobil Corporation's domestic exploration and production business unit.

There was no assignment of record of the lease to CalResources LLC. Therefore, the proposed action will ratify and approve the assignment from Shell Western E&P Inc. to CalResources LLC effective July 6, 1995; and from CalResources LLC to Aera Energy LLC effective June 1, 1997.

3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 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 the CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15378.

EXHIBITS:

A. Site Map

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PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 BECAUSE THE ACTIVITY IS NOT A PROJECT AS DEFINED BY PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21065 AND TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15378.

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE THE RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE NO. PRC 5107.1, A GENERAL LEASE - RIGHT OF WAY USE, OF SOVEREIGN LANDS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF, FROM SHELL WESTERN E&P INC. TO CALRESOURCES LLC EFFECTIVE JULY 6, 1995, AND FROM CALRESOURCES LLC TO AERA ENERGY LLC, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 1997.

