

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL
AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION
WELL 1900' FSL AND 2380' FWL IN SECTION 34,
T31N-R14E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN
EXCEPTION TO THE TIGER RIDGE FIELD RULES.

ORDER NO. 95-2001

Docket No. 64-2001 and 8-2001 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The geological and geophysical evidence establishes that the second well requested is required to efficiently recover Eagle Sand Formation gas reserves underlying Section 34.
3. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for. However, this order will not become effective until and unless the United States Bureau of Land Management issues its order approving the Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. request in Docket No. 8-2001 FED.

BOARD ORDER NO. 95-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
WHITING PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO
DRILL AN ADDITIONAL RED RIVER/INTERLAKE
FORMATION WELL IN THE SE¼ OF SECTION 23,
T25N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS
AN EXCEPTION TO THE SIOUX PASS FIELD RULES
ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDERS 10-75 AND 15-77.

ORDER NO. 96-2001

Docket No. 65-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Board member Jack King recused himself. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The geologic and geophysical evidence indicates that the additional well requested is necessary to efficiently and economically produce the formation underlying the spacing unit.
3. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Whiting Petroleum Corporation is authorized to drill an additional Red River/Interlake Formation well in the SE¼ of Section 23, T25N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, anywhere within said quarter section but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundary.

BOARD ORDER NO. 96-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HEADINGTON
OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL
STONY MOUNTAIN/RED RIVER FORMATION WELL IN
SECTION 8, T22N-R60E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,
AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDER 42-77 AND FOR
PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE STONY MOUNTAIN
AND RED RIVER FORMATIONS. [MON DAK WEST FIELD]

ORDER NO. 97-2001

Docket No. 66-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence establishes that an additional Stony Mountain/Red River Formation well is necessary to efficiently and economically produce the formation underlying fractional Section 8, T22N-R60E, Richland County, Montana.
3. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Headington Oil, Limited Partnership is authorized to drill an additional Stony Mountain/Red River Formation well in Section 8, T22N-R60E, Richland County, Montana, at any location not closer than 450 feet to the east spacing unit boundary and 660 feet to the north, west and south spacing unit boundaries as an exception to Board Order 42-77.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to commingle oil and associated natural gas produced from the Stony Mountain and Red River Formations.

BOARD ORDER NO. 97-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO
DESIGNATE THE NW¼ OF SECTION 16,
T30N-R45E, VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA,
AS A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR
PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED
NATURAL GAS FROM THE CHARLES "C"
FORMATION AND TO DESIGNATE ITS
DAHL #1-16 WELL AS THE PERMITTED
WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER NO. 98-2001

Docket No. 67-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that the application should be granted as applied for as it is evident the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the NW¼ of Section 16, T30N-R45E, Valley County, Montana, is designated as a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Charles "C" Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's Dahl #1-16 well is designated as the permitted well for said spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 98-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL
RESOURCES, INC. TO ALLOW THE PRODUCTION OF OIL
AND ASSOCIATED GAS FROM THE CHARLES "C"
FORMATION AND THE NISKU FORMATION TO BE
COMMINGLED IN THE WELLBORE OF THE DAHL #1-16
WELL IN THE NW¼ OF SECTION 16, T30N-R45E, VALLEY
COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 99-2001

Docket No. 68-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. to allow the production of oil and associated gas from the Charles "C" Formation and the Nisku Formation to be commingled in the wellbore of the Dahl #1-16 well in the NW¼ of Section 16, T30N-R45E, Valley County, Montana, is granted.

BOARD ORDER NO. 99-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL
RESOURCES, INC. TO DESIGNATE THE W½ OF SECTION 6,
T21N-R58E AND THE E½ OF SECTION 1, T21N-R57E,
RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A PERMANENT
SPACING UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND
ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE RED RIVER
FORMATION AND TO DESIGNATE THE SORENSON #14-6H
WELL AS THE PERMITTED WELL FOR SAID SPACING
UNIT.

ORDER NO. 100-2001

Docket No. 69-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application as applied for will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. in this docket is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 100-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CROFT
PETROLEUM COMPANY FOR AN AREA INJECTION
PERMIT FOR THE MADISON FORMATION UNDERLYING
THE BLACKFOOT CUT BANK MADISON SAND UNIT
AREA AND FOR PERMISSION TO USE ITS MUNTZING B-3
WELL IN THE SWNW OF SECTION 11, T37N-R6W,
GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN INJECTION
WELL INTO THE CUT BANK AND MADISON FORMATIONS.

ORDER NO. 101-2001

Docket No. 70-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The United States Environmental Protection Agency has granted applicant an aquifer exemption for the Madison Formation surrounding the Muntzing B-3 well.
3. Granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that applicant's request for an Area Injection Permit for the Madison Formation underlying the Blackfoot Cut Bank Madison Sand Unit Area is modified in that only the Muntzing B-3 well in the SWNW of Section 11, T37N-R6W, Glacier County, Montana, is approved as an injection well into the Cut Bank and Madison formations subject to the following conditions:

1. Surface injection pressure is limited to 2195 psig.
2. Injection volume is limited to 950,000 barrels over the life of the well.
3. A successful mechanical integrity test must be performed before injections may begin.

BOARD ORDER NO. 101-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE
OPERATING, L.P. TO DRILL A RED RIVER TEST WELL
IN THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF THE NE¹/₄NE¹/₄ OF
SECTION 22, T9N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA,
WITH A 175 FOOT TOLERANCE FOR TOPOGRAPHIC
REASONS AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE MONARCH
FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 12-59.

ORDER NO. 102-2001

Docket No. 73-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Encore Operating, L.P. is authorized to drill a Red River test well in the approximate center of the NE¹/₄NE¹/₄ of Section 22, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana, with a 175 foot tolerance for topographic reasons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall apply for permanent spacing within ninety (90) days of completion of a successful well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 102-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE
OPERATING, L.P. TO DRILL A RED RIVER TEST
WELL IN THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF THE
NE¹/₄SE¹/₄ OF SECTION 22, T9N-R58E, FALLON
COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION
TO THE MONARCH FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED
BY BOARD ORDER 12-59.

ORDER NO. 103-2001

Docket No. 74-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Encore Operating, L.P. is authorized to drill a regular test well in the approximate center of the NE¹/₄SE¹/₄ of Section 22, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana, as an exception to the Monarch Field rules established by Board Order 12-59.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

BOARD ORDER 103-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE
OPERATING, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY RED
RIVER HORIZONTAL WELL SPACING UNIT CONSISTING
OF LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, S½N½, NE¼SW¼, SE¼ OF SECTION 1,
T8N-R59E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, AND FOR
PERMISSION TO DRILL A DUAL LATERAL RED RIVER
HORIZONTAL TEST WELL IN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.703.

ORDER NO. 104-2001

Docket No. 75-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that a temporary Red River horizontal well spacing unit consisting of the lands described in the caption is created.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill a dual lateral Red River horizontal test well in said temporary spacing unit provided that all horizontal laterals within the Red River Formation must be located not closer than 660 feet to the exterior boundaries of the temporary spacing unit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall apply for permanent spacing within ninety (90) days of completion of a successful well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

BOARD ORDER NO. 104-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLACK HAWK
RESOURCES TO DRILL AN EAGLE GAS TEST WELL AT
A LOCATION 990' FWL AND 740' FNL OF SECTION 33,
T27N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN
EXCEPTION TO BOARD RULE 36.22.702.

ORDER NO. 105-2001

Docket No. 76-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that applicant is authorized to drill an Eagle gas test well at a location 990' FWL and 740' FNL of Section 33, T27N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to Board rule 36.22.702.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well prove successful, applicant shall apply for permanent spacing within ninety (90) days of completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

BOARD ORDER 105-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLACK HAWK
RESOURCES TO DRILL AN EAGLE GAS TEST WELL
414' FSL AND 505' FEL OF SECTION 16, T27N-R18E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE
SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY
BOARD ORDER 45-76.

ORDER NO. 106-2001

Docket No. 77-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Black Hawk Resources is authorized to drill an Eagle gas test well at a location 414' FSL and 505' FEL of Section 16, T27N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to the Sawtooth Mountain Field rules established by Board Order 45-76.

BOARD ORDER 106-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DRILL AN
EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL
500' FNL AND 1320' FEL OF SECTION 36,
T35N-R15E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA,
WITH A 175 FOOT TOLERANCE
IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC
REASONS AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD
ORDER 90-2001.

ORDER NO. 107-2001

Docket No. 78-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is authorized to drill an Eagle Sand Formation gas well 500' FNL and 1320' FEL of Section 36, T35N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, with a 175 foot topographic tolerance as an exception to Board Order 90-2001.

BOARD ORDER 107-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DRILL AND
PRODUCE AN ADDITIONAL GREENHORN/
SECOND WHITE SPECKS FORMATION GAS
WELL 2600' FNL AND 1320' FEL OF SECTION 19,
T35N-R13E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH
A 150 FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION
FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AS AN
EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

ORDER NO. 108-2001

Docket No. 79-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is authorized to drill and produce an additional Greenhorn/Second White Specks Formation gas well 2600' FNL and 1320' FEL of Section 19, T35N-R13E, Hill County, Montana, with a 150 foot topographic tolerance in any direction as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

BOARD ORDER 108-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DRILL AN
EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL
900' FNL AND 600' FEL OF SECTION 27,
T33N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA,
WITH A 75 FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC
TOLERANCE AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD
ORDER 23-78 WHICH DELINEATED AND
ESTABLISHED THE FIELD RULES FOR THE
LOHMAN GAS FIELD.

ORDER NO. 109-2001

Docket No. 80-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is authorized to drill an Eagle Sand Formation gas well 900' FNL and 600' FEL of Section 27, T33N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, with a 75 foot topographic tolerance in any direction as an exception to the Lohman Gas Field rules established by Board Order 23-78.

BOARD ORDER 109-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

Gary Willis, Board Member

ATTEST:

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
XENO, INC. TO DESIGNATE SECTION 27, T35N-R19E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A PERMANENT
SPACING UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS
AND DRILL FOUR WELLS WITHIN SAID SECTION,
EACH WELL TO BE DRILLED IN COMPLIANCE WITH
THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS OF A.R.M. 36.22.702 AND
BOARD ORDER 62-93.

ORDER NO. 110-2001

Docket No. 82-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Section 27, T35N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated as a permanent spacing unit for production of natural gas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill four wells within said section, each well to be drilled in compliance with the setback requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.702 and Board Order 62-93.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said wells be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

BOARD ORDER NO. 110-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
XENO, INC. TO DRILL FOUR WELLS WITHIN
SECTION 13, T35N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY,
MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M.
36.22.702 AND BOARD ORDER 62-93.

ORDER NO. 111-2001

Docket No. 83-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application as hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Xeno, Inc. is authorized to drill four wells within Section 13, T35N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702 and Board Order 62-93.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each well be drilled in compliance with the setback requirements of A.R.M. 36.22.702 and Board Order 62-93.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said wells be successful, the proceeds of production must be held in escrow until applicant has submitted and received approval of a communitization agreement from the appropriate federal agency.

BOARD ORDER NO. 111-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
XENO, INC. TO DRILL, TEST AND COMPLETE
A THIRD NATURAL GAS WELL WITHIN THE
N½ OF SECTION 16, T35N-R19E, BLAINE
COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO
BOARD ORDER 133-2000. [SOUTH BATTLE
CREEK FIELD]

ORDER NO. 112-2001

Docket No. 84-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Xeno, Inc. is authorized to drill, test and complete a third natural gas well within the N½ of Section 16, T35N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to Board Order 133-2000, provided, however, that said well be no closer than 990 feet to the exterior boundaries of said half section.

BOARD ORDER NO. 112-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
XENO, INC. TO DRILL FOUR WELLS TO TEST
FOR THE PRESENCE OF NATURAL GAS WITHIN
SECTION 9, T35N-R19E, BLAINE COUNTY,
MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M.
36.22.702 AND BOARD ORDER 62-93.
[SOUTH BATTLE CREEK FIELD]

ORDER NO. 113-2001

Docket No. 85-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place, testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Xeno, Inc. is authorized to drill four wells to test for the presence of natural gas within Section 9, T35N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702 and Board Order 62-93, provided, however, that no well be closer than 990 feet to the exterior boundaries of said section.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said section is hereby included within the South Battle Creek Field established by Board Order 58-2000.

BOARD ORDER NO. 113-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF XENO, INC.
TO DESIGNATE THE SW¹/₄ OF SECTION 25, T36N-R19E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TEMPORARY
SPACING UNIT FOR ITS PROPOSED WELL TO TEST
FOR THE PRESENCE OF NATURAL GAS IN THE
JUDITH RIVER, EAGLE AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS.

ORDER NO. 114-2001

Docket No. 86-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the SW¹/₄ of Section 25, T36N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated as a temporary spacing unit for Xeno, Inc.'s proposed well to test for the presence of natural gas in the Judith River, Eagle and/or Niobrara formations.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should said well prove successful, applicant shall apply for permanent spacing within ninety (90) days of completion.

BOARD ORDER NO. 114-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE TOWN
OF SACO TO CHANGE THE SPACING FOR BOWDOIN
GAS UNDERLYING THE NE¼ OF SECTION 7, T31N-R34E,
PHILLIPS COUNTY, MONTANA, TO PERMIT ONE WELL
IN EACH QUARTER QUARTER SECTION OF SAID
QUARTER SECTION.

ORDER NO. 115-2001

Docket No. 3-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that spacing for Bowdoin gas underlying the NE¼ of Section 7, T31N-R34E, Phillips County, Montana, is altered to permit one well in each quarter quarter section of said quarter section. Said wells may not be located not closer than 330 feet to the exterior boundaries of the NE¼ of Section 7, T31N-R34E, Phillips County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER 115-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MOUNTAIN
PACIFIC GENERAL, INC. TO DESIGNATE THE E½ OF
SECTION 7, T30N-R2E, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS
A SPACING UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE
SURFACE TO THE BASE OF THE DAKOTA FORMATION
AND TO ENLARGE THE TIBER GAS FIELD AS
ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDERS 143-81 AND 21-84
TO INCLUDE SAID LAND.

ORDER NO. 116-2001

Docket No. 20-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½ of Section 7, T30N-R2E, Toole County, Montana, is designated as a spacing unit for production of gas from the surface to the base of the Dakota Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Tiber Gas Field as established by Board Orders 143-81 and 21-84 is enlarged to include the E½ of Section 7, T30N-R2E, Toole County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mountain Pacific General, Inc. is authorized to drill two wells in said spacing unit with no less than 1200 feet between wells and no well closer than 660 feet to the E½ half section boundary line with a 75 foot surface tolerance for topographic reasons.

BOARD ORDER NO. 116-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MOUNTAIN
PACIFIC GENERAL, INC. TO ENLARGE THE TIBER FIELD
ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDERS 143-81 AND 21-84
TO INCLUDE SECTION 8, T30N-R2E, TOOLE COUNTY,
MONTANA, AND TO ALLOW FOUR WELLS TO BE
DRILLED IN SAID SECTION.

ORDER NO. 117-2001

Docket No. 22-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Tiber Field established by Board Orders 143-81 and 21-84 is enlarged to include Section 8, T30N-R2E, Toole County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill four wells in said Section 8, said wells to be spaced not closer than 1200 feet between wells and not closer than 660 feet to the section line with a 75 foot tolerance for topographic reasons.

BOARD ORDER NO. 117-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TYLER
OIL COMPANY TO USE A DRILLING RIG RESERVE
PIT AT ITS INFINITY 31-16 STATE ERB TYLER "C"
WATERFLOOD UNIT IN LOT 10 OF SECTION 31,
T12N-R33E, ROSEBUD COUNTY, MONTANA, AS
AN EVAPORATION PIT AS AN EXCEPTION TO
A.R.M. 36.22.1005.

ORDER NO. 118-2001

Docket No. 24-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. The evidence indicates that the application should be granted as applied for.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Tyler Oil Company is authorized to use its drilling rig reserve pit at its Infinity 31-16 State ERB Tyler "C" Waterflood Unit in Lot 10 of Section 31, T12N-R33E, Rosebud County, Montana, as an evaporation pit as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.1005.

BOARD ORDER NO. 118-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN
ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL ITS MOORE
#15-5-27-18 WELL TO THE EAGLE SAND FORMATION
326' FWL AND 1827' FNL OF SECTION 15, T27N-R18E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION
TO BOARD ORDERS 45-76 AND 21-99 (SAWTOOTH
MOUNTAIN FIELD).

ORDER NO. 119-2001

Docket No. 58-2001

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The evidence indicates the topography of the area where the proposed well is to be drilled is such that it may not practicably be located at a legal location within the spacing unit. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that applicant is authorized to drill its Moore #15-5-27-18 well to the Eagle Sand Formation 326' FWL and 1827' FNL of Section 15, T27N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to the Sawtooth Mountain Field rules established by Board Orders 45-76 and 21-99.

BOARD ORDER NO. 119-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVA TION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman

Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Kennedy, Board Member

Jack King, Board Member

Allen Kolstad, Board Member

Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

ATTEST:

Gary Willis, Board Member

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FAILURE OF MARNELL
RESOURCES INC. TO COMPLY WITH THE BONDING
REQUIREMENTS OF THIS BOARD.

ORDER NO 120-2001

Docket No. 251-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 5th day of April, 2001, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. Marnell Resources Inc. has failed to increase its bond to \$25,000 as required by A.R.M. 36.22.1308 (1) (c). It failed to appear at this hearing and has given no reason for its failure to comply with the Board's bonding requirements.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Marnell Resources Inc. shall increase its bond to \$25,000 or, in the alternative, shall plug all three of its wells by October 15, 2001.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Marnell Resources Inc. fails to comply with the terms of this order, this Board will forfeit Marnell Resources Inc.'s bond and plug the wells and hold Marnell Resources Inc. responsible for any costs in excess of the present bond on file.

BOARD ORDER NO. 120-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

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OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE BOND OF REUNION ENERGY
COMPANY.

ORDER NO. 121-2001

Docket No. 253-2001

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. The Board's staff investigation of this matter indicates that the wells covered by Reunion Energy Company's bond have in fact been properly plugged and abandoned.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Show Cause Order previously issued in this matter is withdrawn and the bond is released.

BOARD ORDER NO. 121-2001

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 5th day of April, 2001.

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