

6. Lessee is hereby given the right and power to pool or combine the land covered by this lease or any portion thereof with any other land, lease or leases when in Lessee's judgement it is necessary or advisable to do so in order to properly develop and operate said premises. If production is found on the pooled acreage, it shall be treated as if production is had from this lease whether the well or wells be located on the premises covered by this lease or not. In lieu of the royalties elsewhere herein specified, Lessor shall receive on production from a unit so pooled only such portion of the royalty stipulated herein as the amount of his acreage placed in the unit or his royalty interest therein bears to the total acreage so pooled in the particular unit involved.

7. Lessee shall have the right at any time without Lessor's consent to surrender all or any portion of the leased premises and be relieved of all obligation as to the acreage surrendered. Lessee shall have the right at any time during or after the expiration of this lease to remove all property and fixtures placed by Lessee on said land, including the right to draw and remove all casing. When required by Lessor, Lessee will bury all pipe lines below ordinary plow depth, and no well shall be drilled within two hundred (200) feet of any residence or barn now on said land without Lessor's consent.

8. The rights of either party hereunder may be assigned, in whole or in part, and the provisions hereof shall extend to the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto, but no change or division in ownership of the land, rentals, or royalties, however accomplished, shall operate to enlarge the obligations or diminish the rights of Lessee. No change in the ownership of the land, or any interest therein, shall be binding on Lessee until Lessee shall be furnished with a certified copy of all recorded instruments, all court proceedings and all other necessary evidence of any transfer, inheritance, or sale of said rights. In event of the assignment of this lease as to a segregated portion of said land, the rentals payable hereunder shall be apportionable among the several leasehold owners ratably according to the surface area of each, and default in rental payment by one shall not affect the rights of other leasehold owners hereunder. In case Lessee assigns this lease, in whole or in part, Lessee shall be relieved of all obligations with respect to the assigned portion or portions arising subsequent to the date of assignment.

9. All express and implied covenants of this lease, both before and after production is obtained upon the leased premises, shall be subject to all Federal and State laws, executive orders, rules and regulations, and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this lease shall not expire, terminate or be forfeited in whole or in part, nor shall Lessee be liable for damages for failure to comply with any of said covenants so long as or if compliance therewith is hindered, delayed or prevented by such law, order, rule or regulation. If drilling operations or compliance with the provisions of this lease, both expressed and implied, is hindered, delayed or prevented by reason of any such law, order, rule or regulation at the expiration of the primary term hereof, the primary term shall be and the same is hereby extended for the full term of such hindrance, delay or prevention and for a period of one (1) year after such law, order, rule or regulation causing or resulting in the delay, hindrance or prevention has as to the lands herein leased become wholly ineffective. Prior to the discovery of oil, gas or other mineral upon the leased premises the extension herein granted shall be ineffective unless Lessee shall, at or before the expiration of the primary term and during the period of such hindrance delay or prevention, continue to pay or tender the annual delay rentals hereinabove mentioned as to all lands then subject to this lease on each anniversary rental paying date as the same become due and payable or until drilling operations are commenced or production of oil, gas or other mineral is obtained in accordance with the other provisions of this lease and the payment or tender of such rentals at such times shall have the same force and effect as rental payments paid or tendered during the primary term hereinabove mentioned. If rental payments have been suspended under the terms of this lease by reason of the commencement of operations for drilling or on account of the production of oil, gas or other minerals prior to the time Lessee is hindered, delayed or prevented by any such law, order, rule or regulation, Lessee may resume the payment or tender of the annual delay rental on the rental date next ensuing after Lessee has been hindered, delayed or prevented from complying with provisions of this lease as aforesaid, and the resumption of the payment of delay rentals shall have the same force and effect as though rentals had been continuously paid on each rental paying date, and by continuing such rental payments Lessee may extend this lease beyond the primary term for the full period hereinabove mentioned.

If, during the term of this lease, oil, gas or other mineral is discovered upon the leased premises, but Lessee is prevented from producing the same by reason of any of the aforementioned laws, orders, rules or regulations, this lease shall nevertheless be considered as producing and shall continue in full force and effect until Lessee is permitted to produce the oil, gas or other mineral and as long thereafter as such production continues in paying quantities or drilling or reworking operations are continued as elsewhere herein provided.

10. Lessor hereby warrants and agrees to defend the title to said land and agrees that Lessee at its option may discharge any tax, mortgage or other lien upon said land, either in whole or in part, and in event Lessee does so, it shall be subrogated to such lien with the right to enforce same and apply rentals and royalties accruing hereunder toward satisfying same. Without impairment of Lessee's rights under the warranty in event of failure of title, it is agreed that if Lessor owns an interest in said land less than the entire fee simple estate, then the royalties and rentals to be paid lessor shall be reduced proportionately.

11. Lessors hereby release and waive all rights of homestead.

All of the provisions of this lease shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns.

This agreement shall be binding on each of the above named parties who sign the same, regardless of whether it is signed by any of the other parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

WITNESSES:

Lillian C. Allen

Spencer Hecox

Richard Hecox

Dorothy Hecox