

1 in paying quantities and the percentage of allocation shall 1  
2 also be revised accordingly. The effective date of any revis- 2  
3 ion shall be the first of the month in which is obtained the 3  
4 knowledge or information on which such revision is predicated, 4  
5 provided, however, that a more appropriate effective date may 5  
6 be used if justified by the Unit Operator and approved by the 6  
7 Director. No land shall be excluded from a participating area 7  
8 on account of depletion of the unitized substances. 8

9 It is the intent of this section that a participating 9  
10 area shall represent the area known or reasonably estimated to 10  
11 be productive in paying quantities; but, regardless of any 11  
12 revision of the participating area, nothing herein contained 12  
13 shall be construed as requiring any retroactive adjustment for 13  
14 production obtained prior to the effective date of the revision 14  
15 of the participating area. 15

16 In the absence of agreement at any time between the 16  
17 Unit Operator and the Director as to the proper definition or 17  
18 redefinition of a participating area, or until a participating 18  
19 area has, or areas have, been established as provided herein, 19  
20 the portion of all payments affected thereby may be impounded 20  
21 in a manner mutually acceptable to the owners of working inter- 21  
22 ests, except royalties due the United States, which shall be 22  
23 determined by the Supervisor and the amount thereof deposited, 23  
24 as directed by the Supervisor, to be held as unearned money 24  
25 until a participating area is finally approved and then 25  
26 applied as earned or returned in accordance with a determina- 26  
27 tion of the sum due as Federal royalty on the basis of such 27  
28 approved participating area. 28

29 Whenever it is determined, subject to the approval of 29  
30 the Supervisor, that a well drilled under this agreement is 30  
31 not capable of production in paying quantities and inclusion 31  
32 of the land on which it is situated in a participating area is 32