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**ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AIO 6.003 (Revised)**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AIO 6.004 (Revised)**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AIO 6.007 (Revised)**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AIO 6.008 (Revised)**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL AIO 6.009 (Revised)**

Mr. J. Hal Martin  
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RE: Request for Administrative Approval Revision

Dear Mr. Martin:

Union Oil Company of California (Union) requests a permanent revision to the anniversary date for temperature surveys for water injection wells located on the Anna Platform (Granite Point Field). The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (Commission) approves Union's request to change the anniversary date for temperature surveys in the following wells from March 29 to May 20:

- Granite Pt. State 18742 Well No. 5; PTD 1670140; AIO 6.003;
- Granite Pt. State 18742 Well No. 19; PTD 1680060; AIO 6.008;
- Granite Pt. State 18742 Well No. 21; PTD 1760490; AIO 6.009;
- Granite Pt. State 18742 Well No. 25; PTD 1680360; AIO 6.004;
- Granite Pt. State 18742 Well No. 38; PTD 1880340; AIO 6.007.

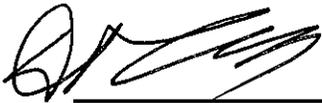
The Commission granted administrative approvals to Union allowing temperature surveys every 2 years in lieu of pressure tests of the tubing-casing annulus. Temperature surveys are intended to demonstrate that injected fluids are exiting the wellbore and remaining confined as required by Area Injection Order 6.000. Union argues that performing temperature surveys in May will allow warmer weather conditions to improve the slickline operations on these water injection wells.

Daily surveillance of wellhead pressures and injection rates with monthly reporting to the Commission – mandated by the administrative approvals – provide for early detection and action regarding any deterioration of well integrity that might occur during the 2-year interval between

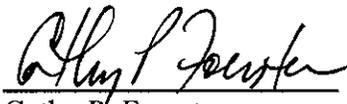
temperature surveys. Administrative approvals also require Union to immediately shut in the well and notify the Commission if there is any measurable change in the well's mechanical integrity.

The Commission finds that moving the anniversary date for temperature surveys from March 29 to May 20 will not compromise overall well integrity so as to threaten the environment or human safety.

**DONE** at Anchorage, Alaska and dated March 31, 2009.



Daniel T. Seamount, Jr.  
Chair



Cathy P. Foerster  
Commissioner



John K. Norman  
Commissioner

**RECONSIDERATION AND APPEAL NOTICE**

As provided in AS 31.05.080(a), within **20** days after written notice of the entry of this order or decision, or such further time as the Commission grants for good cause shown, a person affected by it may file with the Commission an application for reconsideration of the matter determined by it. If the notice was mailed, then the period of time shall be **23** days. An application for reconsideration must set out the respect in which the order or decision is believed to be erroneous.

The Commission shall grant or refuse the application for reconsideration in whole or in part within 10 days after it is filed. Failure to act on it within 10-days is a denial of reconsideration. If the Commission denies reconsideration, upon denial, this order or decision and the denial of reconsideration are **FINAL** and may be appealed to superior court. The appeal **MUST** be filed within **33** days after the date on which the Commission mails, **OR 30** days if the Commission otherwise distributes, the order or decision denying reconsideration, **UNLESS** the denial is by inaction, in which case the appeal **MUST** be filed within **40** days after the date on which the application for reconsideration was filed.

If the Commission grants an application for reconsideration, this order or decision does not become final. Rather, the order or decision on reconsideration will be the **FINAL** order or decision of the Commission, and it may be appealed to superior court. That appeal **MUST** be filed within **33** days after the date on which the Commission mails, **OR 30** days if the Commission otherwise distributes, the order or decision on reconsideration. As provided in AS 31.05.080(b), "[t]he questions reviewed on appeal are limited to the questions presented to the Commission by the application for reconsideration."

In computing a period of time above, the date of the event or default after which the designated period begins to run is not included in the period; the last day of the period is included, unless it falls on a weekend or state holiday, in which event the period runs until 5:00 p.m. on the next day that does not fall on a weekend or state holiday.

