

Contract Assignment

Hess Energy Services Company, LLC, "Shipper" and **Transwestern Gas Pipeline Company (TW)** "Transporter" are parties to the interruptible Service Agreement as referenced below. By letter dated August 15, 2001, Shipper has notified TW of its intent to assign the below listed agreement(s) to **Amerada Hess Corporation** effective **September 1, 2001**.

Supply Pooling Agreement dated October 1, 1998 as amended, between Transwestern Pipeline Company and **Hess Energy Services Company, LLC** TW Contract No. **26460**

Amerada Hess Corporation agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Agreement. Furthermore, **Amerada Hess Corporation** agrees to assume all liabilities and obligations of the Agreement(s). This assignment of the above mentioned contract(s) shall be effective as of September 1, 2001.

The Parties agree that a facsimile of this agreement, when properly executed and transmitted, shall be considered for all purposes to be an original agreement, and shall be deemed for all purposes to be signed and constitute a binding agreement. To submit an agreement via FAX, the entire agreement must be faxed to Transporter's Contract Department. The agreement must also be properly and fully executed. Upon Transporter's acceptance and execution, an executed copy will be returned via FAX to such number as directed by Shipper.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this instrument to be executed in multiple originals on this ____ day of _____, 2001.

TRANSWESTERN PIPELINE COMPANY

Amerada Hess Corporation

By: _____

By: _____

Title: Vice President
Transwestern Commercial Group

Title: _____