

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
COUNTIES OF DeWITT }  
AND LAVACA }

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the undersigned  
HIGHLAND RESOURCES, INC., a Texas corporation (formerly known  
as HIGHLAND OIL COMPANY prior to the change of its corporate  
name on July 17, 1968) does hereby release, remise, relinquish  
and surrender unto the lessors named in the Oil, Gas and  
Mineral Lease hereinafter described (and unto the heirs, suc-  
cessors and assigns of said lessors), all of the right, title  
and interest of the undersigned in and to said lease, INSOFAR  
ONLY as said lease covers land lying outside the boundaries  
of the unit described below, situated in DeWitt and Lavaca  
Counties, Texas, said lease and said unit being as follows,  
to-wit:

Lease dated June 16, 1933 executed by Edwin Stein-  
man et al, as lessors, to Shell Petroleum Corpora-  
tion, as lessee, recorded in Vol. 8 at page 633 of  
the Oil & Gas Records of DeWitt County, and in Vol.  
17 at page 97 of the Lease Records of Lavaca County,  
Texas, as amended by that certain lease amendment  
dated March 8, 1940 executed by Edwin Steinman et al  
to Shell Oil Company, Incorporated, recorded in Vol.  
16 at page 41 of the Oil & Gas Records of DeWitt  
County, and in Vol. 26 at page 578 of the Lease Re-  
cords of Lavaca County, Texas, covering 600 acres,  
more or less, of land in the John Garelli 1/3 League,  
A-198, the Charles P. Delmas 1/3 League, A-157, and  
adjoining surveys in DeWitt and Lavaca Counties,  
Texas, which said lease is hereby released INSOFAR  
ONLY as same covers land described therein which lies  
outside the boundaries of the Brushy Creek Gas Unit  
as such unit is described in Gas Pooling Agreement  
dated May 25, 1942, one counterpart of which Gas Pool-  
ing Agreement executed by D. G. McManus et al is re-  
corded in Vol. 21 at page 194 of the Oil & Gas Records  
of DeWitt County, and in Vol. 34 at page 489 of the  
Lease Records of Lavaca County, Texas (which land  
described in said lease and lying outside the bound-  
aries of the above mentioned unit is estimated to be  
450 acres, more or less).