

1.24 "Deposit" has the meaning set forth in Article 3.2.

1.25 "Effective Time" means December 1, 1997, at 7:00 a.m., local time where the Properties are located.

1.26 "Environmental Claims" means all Claims which are based on breach of Environmental Laws (as hereinafter defined).

1.27 "Environmental Laws" means any and all Laws that relate to: (a) pollution or environmental damage, (b) the clean up or remediation of pollution or environmental damage, and/or (c) the protection of the environment generally; including without limitation, the Clean Air Act, as amended, the Clean Water Act, as amended, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, the Toxic Substances and Control Act, as amended, the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, as amended, the Hazardous and the Solid Waste Amendments Act of 1984, as amended, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, as amended, and the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 USC 4321, as amended.

1.28 "Final Accounting Settlement" has the meaning set forth in Article 6.5.

1.29 "Final Settlement Date" has the meaning set forth in Article 6.5.

1.30 "HSR Act" means the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended.

1.31 "Laws" means any laws, statutes, ordinances, permits, decrees, orders, judgments, rules, regulations, controlling judiciary decisions or legal requirements (including without limitation Environmental Laws) which are promulgated, issued or enacted by any governmental entity or tribal authority having appropriate jurisdiction.

1.32 "Letters-in-Lieu" means a document in the form of Exhibit "K".

1.33 "License Agreement - SAMS" means a document in the form of Exhibit "O", and "License Agreement - Seismic" means a document in the form of Exhibit "Q".

1.34 "Mineral Deed" means a document in the form of Exhibit "I".

1.35 "Non-Environmental Claims" means all Claims, except Environmental Claims