

tion to such party's interest in the royalties under said leases on the date paid. The annual rentals may be paid or tendered to Lessors or to their credit in a depository bank named in said leases, by check or draft of Shell.

2. No further annual rental need be paid, and Shell's obligation to pay same shall terminate if Shell commences, or causes to be commenced, operations for drilling a well for oil and gas on said 450 acres of land or on a pooled unit including all or a part of said 450 acres, provided if such well is located on a pooled unit which contains only a part of said 450 acres the obligation to pay such rentals shall terminate only as to the number of acres included in such pooled unit. Shell may, at any time or from time to time, execute and deliver, or file for record, a release of said leases as to all or any part of said 450 acres and thereby be relieved of the obligation under this agreement to pay any further rentals as to the land covered by such release.

3. During the time that rentals are paid as provided in paragraph 1 above, there shall be no obligation, express or implied, on Shell under said leases to drill a well or wells on said 450 acres, either for the development thereof, or as an offset or offsets to a well or wells located on adjacent land, or to prevent drainage of oil or gas from said 450 acres.

4. Said leases, as the same may herein or heretofore have been amended, shall continue in full force and effect, and each of Lessors hereby grants, leases and lets unto Shell, its successors and assigns, the said 450 acres of land upon all of the terms and conditions set forth in the above described lease covering the interest of such party, as said lease may have been herein or heretofore modified. This agreement may be executed in counterparts, all of which shall constitute one agreement. This agreement shall be binding upon each party executing the same whether or not executed by all owners of royalties and minerals subject to said lease, and shall extend to and be binding upon the respective heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

EXECUTED as of the 4th day of March, 1955.

Edwin Steinmann
Erna Steinmann
Lessors

SHELL OIL COMPANY

By B. L. Ryan
Attorney in Fact

STATE OF TEXAS,)

COUNTY OF DEWITT) BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared EDWIN STEINMANN and ERNA STEINMANN, his wife, both known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they each executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and the said wife, having been examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her, acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed and she declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 4 day of MARCH, 1955.

(SEAL)

Walter E. Ehlers-
Notary Public, DEWITT County, Texas.
WALTER E. EHLERS

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF HARRIS) Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared B. L. RYAN, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as Attorney-in-Fact for Shell Oil Company, a corporation, as the act and deed of such corporation, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein