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## PARTIAL RELEASE OF LEASE

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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, successors 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 Steinman et al, as lessors, to Shell Petroleum Corporation, 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 Records 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 Pooling Agreement executed by D. G. McManus et al is recorded 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 boundaries of the above mentioned unit is estimated to be 450 acres, more or less).