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VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

ORDER RECORDED UNDER CODE  
OF VIRGINIA SECTION 45.1-361.26

V I R G I N I A:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

APPLICANT: Equitable Production Company )  
) VIRGINIA GAS  
) AND OIL BOARD

RELIEF SOUGHT: **EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE SPACING** )  
LIMITATIONS PRESCRIBED BY VA. CODE ) DOCKET NO.  
§ 45.1-361.17(a) (2) FOR **WELL** ) 06/11/14-1767  
**V-536778** )

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: )  
) DRILLING UNIT SERVED BY WELL NUMBERED )  
**V-536778** TO BE DRILLED IN THE LOCATION )  
DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT A HERETO, )  
Johnny Ray Mullins Tract )  
Caney Ridge QUADRANGLE, )  
Kenady MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, )  
DICKENSON COUNTY, VIRGINIA )  
(the "Subject Lands" are more particularly )  
described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto )  
and made a part hereof) )

REPORT OF THE BOARD  
FINDINGS AND ORDER

1. Hearing Date and Place: This matter came on for hearing before the Virginia Gas and Oil Board (hereafter "Board") at 9:00 a.m. on **November 14, 2006**, Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center on the campus of Virginia Highlands Community College, Abingdon, Virginia.
2. Appearances: **James E. Kaiser** appeared for the Applicant.
3. Jurisdiction and Notice: Pursuant to Va. Code § 45.1-361.1 et seq., the Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the subject matter. Based upon the evidence presented by Applicant, the Board also finds that the Applicant has (1) exercised due diligence in conducting a meaningful search of reasonably available sources to determine the identity and whereabouts of each gas and oil owner, coal owner, or mineral owner having an interest in Subject Drilling Unit underlying and comprised of Subject Lands; (2) has represented to the Board that it has given notice to those parties (hereafter sometimes "person(s)" whether referring to individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, companies, businesses, trusts, joint ventures or other legal entities) entitled by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19 to notice of this application; and (3) that the persons set forth in Exhibit B hereto have been identified by Applicant as owners of Gas interests underlying Subject Drilling Unit, including those who have not heretofore leased, sold or voluntarily agreed with the Applicant to pool their Gas interests in Subject Drilling Unit. Further, the Board has caused notice of this hearing to be published as required by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19.B. Whereupon, the Board hereby finds that the notices given herein satisfy all

statutory requirements, Board rule requirements and the minimum standards of state due process.

4. Amendments: **Topo Map.**
5. Dismissals: **NONE.**
6. Relief Requested: Applicant requests (1) an exception to the statewide spacing limitations set forth in Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well No. V-536778.
7. Relief Granted: The requested relief in this cause be and hereby is granted. The Board hereby grants Applicant consent to permit and drill proposed Well No. V-536778, 2191.65 feet from proposed Well No. V-536777, at the location depicted on the Plat attached hereto;
8. Special Findings: The Board specifically and specially finds:
  - 8.1 Applicant is Equitable Production Company a West Virginia Corporation. Applicant is duly authorized and qualified to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
  - 8.2 Applicant Equitable Production Company is an operator in the Commonwealth of Virginia and has satisfied the Board's requirements for operations in Virginia;
  - 8.3 Applicant claims ownership of Conventional Gas leases of **100%** percent of Subject Drilling Unit and the right to explore for, develop and produce Gas from same, i.e., Well No. V-536778 as well as from reciprocal well, i.e., Well V-536777.
  - 8.4 The proposed Well V-536778 is located on a surface, coal, oil and gas tract consisting of 29.49 acres known as Johnny Ray Mullins Tract, and the surface, coal, gas and oil owner has consented to the proposed location for Well V-536778 that is depicted on the Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A;
  - 8.5 The Applicant testified it has the right to operate and develop the reciprocal Well V-536777, and that the granting of the application filed herein will not impact the correlative rights of any person;
  - 8.6 An exception to the well spacing requirements of Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well V-536778 is necessary to efficiently drain a portion of the common sources of supply (reservoir) underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and the Board's granting of the requested location exception is in the best interest of preventing the waste of 400 million cubic feet of Conventional Gas underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and to generally effect the purposes of the Virginia Gas and Oil Act;
  - 8.7 Applicant proposes the drilling of Well No. V-536778 to a depth of 5395 feet on the Subject Drilling Unit at the

location depicted in Exhibit A to produce all the Mississippian and Devonian age formations including, but not limited to, Base Lee Sand, Ravencliff, Maxon, Little Lime, Big Lime, Top Weir, Base Weir, Sunbury, Berea, Cleveland, Upper Huron, Middle Huron, Lower Huron, & Olentangy, from surface to a total depth of 5395 feet (Subject Formations");

8.8 Applicant proposes to drill Well V-536778 a distance of 308.35 feet closer to Gas Well V-536777, than the 2500 feet mandated by statewide spacing;

8.9 Applicant proposes to complete and operate Well V-536778 for the purpose of producing Conventional Gas;

9 Mailing Of Order And Filing Of Affidavit: Applicant or its Attorney shall file an affidavit with the Secretary of the Board within sixty (60) days after the date of receipt of this Order stating that a true and correct copy of said Order was mailed within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of this Order to each person pooled by this Order whose address is known.

10. Availability of Unit Records: The Director shall provide all persons not subject to a lease with reasonable access to all records for Subject Drilling Unit which are submitted by the Unit Operator to said Director and/or his Inspector(s).

11. Conclusion: Therefore, the requested relief and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.

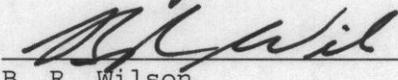
12. Appeals: Appeals of this Order are governed by the provisions of Va. Code Ann. § 45.1-361.9 which provides that any order or decision of the Board may be appealed to the appropriate circuit court. Such appeals must be taken in the manner prescribed in the Administrative Process Act, Va. Code Ann. § 9-6.14:1 et seq. and Rule 2A of the Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court.

13. Effective Date: This Order shall be effective on the date of its execution.

DONE AND EXECUTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007 by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.

  
Chairman, Benny R. Wampler

DONE AND PERFORMED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007 by Order of this Board.

  
B. R. Wilson  
Principal Executive to the Staff  
Virginia Gas and Oil Board

STATE OF VIRGINIA       )  
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON   )

Acknowledged on this 17th day of April, 2007, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, and B. R. Wilson, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that they individually executed the same and was authorized to do so.

*Diane J. Davis*

Notary Public

My commission expires: September 30, 2009

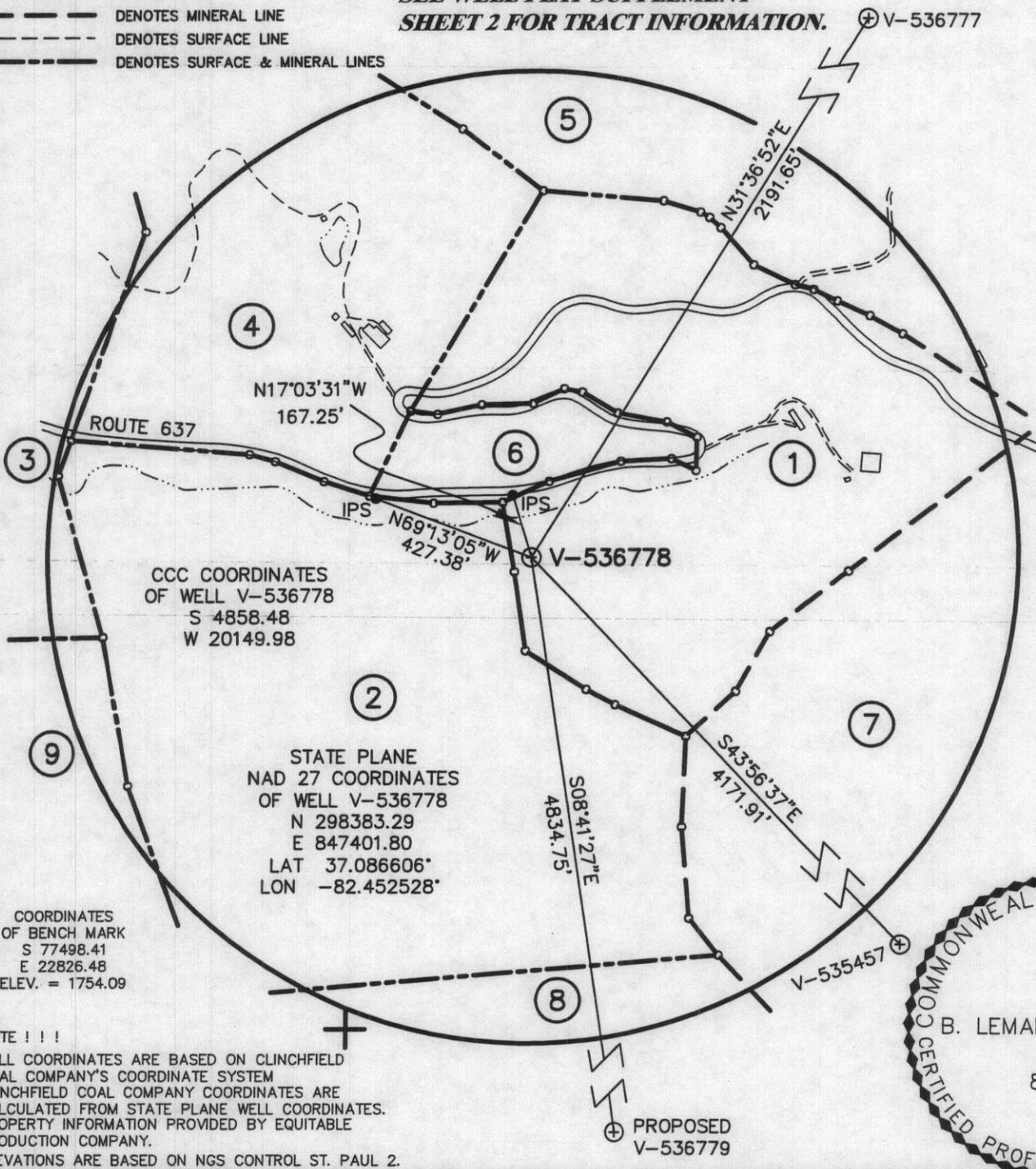
TOTAL UNIT AREA  
= 112.69 ACRES

- DENOTES MINERAL LINE
- - - DENOTES SURFACE LINE
- DENOTES SURFACE & MINERAL LINES

**NOTE !!**  
**SEE WELL PLAT SUPPLEMENT**  
**SHEET 2 FOR TRACT INFORMATION.**

LATITUDE 37°07'30"

LONGITUDE 82°25'00"

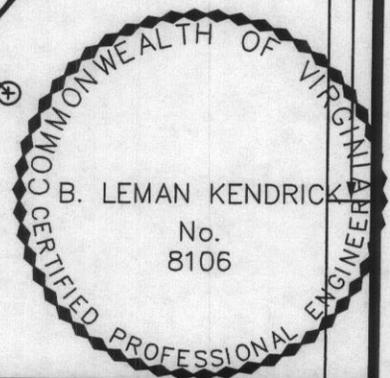


CCC COORDINATES  
OF WELL V-536778  
S 4858.48  
W 20149.98

STATE PLANE  
NAD 27 COORDINATES  
OF WELL V-536778  
N 298383.29  
E 847401.80  
LAT 37.086606°  
LON -82.452528°

COORDINATES  
OF BENCH MARK  
S 77498.41  
E 22826.48  
ELEV. = 1754.09

**NOTE !!!**  
WELL COORDINATES ARE BASED ON CLINCHFIELD  
COAL COMPANY'S COORDINATE SYSTEM  
CLINCHFIELD COAL COMPANY COORDINATES ARE  
CALCULATED FROM STATE PLANE WELL COORDINATES.  
PROPERTY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY EQUITABLE  
PRODUCTION COMPANY.  
ELEVATIONS ARE BASED ON NGS CONTROL ST. PAUL 2.



WELL LOCATION PLAT

COMPANY Equitable Production Company WELL NAME AND NUMBER V-536778

TRACT No. LEASE No. 906496 ELEVATION 1941.67 (GPS) QUADRANGLE CANEY RIDGE

COUNTY DICKENSON DISTRICT KENADY SCALE: 1" = 400' DATE SEPTEMBER 21, 2006

THIS PLAT IS A NEW PLAT x; AN UPDATED PLAT    ; OR A FINAL LOCATION PLAT    

PROPOSED TOTAL DEPTH OF WELL =                     

+ DENOTES THE LOCATION OF A WELL ON UNITED STATES TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS, SCALE 1 TO 24,000, LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE LINES BEING REPRESENTED BY BORDER LINES AS SHOWN.

*B. Leman Kendrick* 9/21/06

(AFFIX SEAL)

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER OR LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR

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LEASE No. 906496  
JOHNNY RAY MULLINS  
29.49 ACRES  
JOHNNY RAY MULLINS - surface, coal, oil & gas  
GAS 25.75 AC. 22.85%

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LEASE No. 906497  
WELFORD DOTSON  
36.932 ACRES  
LEATHA JUNE STANLEY - surface  
WELFORD DOTSON - life estate in surface  
WELFORD DOTSON - coal, oil & gas  
GAS 36.91 AC. 32.75%

③

LEASE No. 906499  
M.N. & EDNA WALLEN HEIRS  
33.62 ACRES  
M.N. & EDNA WALLEN HEIRS - surface, oil & gas  
LEASE No. 904576L / DI-44  
JOSEPH B. STANLEY  
400.451 ACRES  
DICKENSON-RUSSELL COAL COMPANY, LLC/ALPHA  
LAND & RESERVES, LLC/ACIN, LLC/WBRD, LLC - coal  
GAS 1.00 AC. 0.89%

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LEASE No. 906498  
WELFORD DOTSON  
24.909 ACRES  
WELFORD DOTSON - surface, coal, oil & gas  
GAS 16.73 AC. 14.85%

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LEASE No. 241493L  
STEINMAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY  
200.00 ACRES  
STEINMAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY - coal, oil & gas  
GAS 8.66 AC. 7.68%

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UNLEASED  
ARCUS BLAINE REDDEN  
3.47 ACRES  
ARCUS BLAINE REDDEN - surface, coal, oil & gas  
GAS 3.47 AC. 3.08%

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LEASE No. 241490 / T-665  
A.J. MULLINS  
699.65 ACRES  
DICKENSON-RUSSELL COAL COMPANY, LLC/ALPHA  
LAND & RESERVES, LLC/ACIN, LLC/WBRD, LLC - coal  
PINE MOUNTAIN OIL & GAS, INC. - oil & gas  
GAS 15.35 AC. 13.62%

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LEASE No. 906500  
WALKER & BARBARA HALSAPPLE  
20.39 ACRES  
WALKER & BARBARA HALSAPPLE - surface, oil & gas  
LEASE No. 904576L / DI-23  
P.H. KENNEDY  
45.695 ACRES  
DICKENSON-RUSSELL COAL COMPANY, LLC/ALPHA  
LAND & RESERVES, LLC/ACIN, LLC/WBRD, LLC - coal  
GAS 3.64 AC. 3.23%

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UNLEASED  
J.L. WALLEN HEIRS  
35.00 ACRES  
J.L. WALLEN HEIRS - surface, oil & gas  
LEASE No. 904576L / DI-44  
JOSEPH B. STANLEY  
400.451 ACRES  
DICKENSON-RUSSELL COAL COMPANY, LLC/ALPHA  
LAND & RESERVES, LLC/ACIN, LLC/WBRD, LLC - coal  
GAS 1.18 AC. 1.05%



THOMPSON & LITTON

312 Clintwood Main Street  
Suite 201  
P.O. Box 1869

**EQUITABLE PRODUCTION COMPANY**  
**WELL No. V-536778**  
**WELL PLAT SUPPLEMENT**  
**SHEET 2**

PROJECT No.:  
V-536778

SCALE: 1" = 400'

DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2006