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OPERATOR Name: SHELL WESTERN E&P

RE: Lease: UNIVERSITY 20 PW

Address1: PO BOX 576

Address2:

City: HOUSTON

State: TX

Well No: 2501H

Sec: 36 **Block:** 20

County: WINKLER

Survey Name: UL

SWR13EX Application Number: 44423

Drilling Permit No: 841761

SWR 13 CASING EXCEPTION APPLICATION/ALTERNATIVE REQUEST APPROVED

The Proposed Casing and Cementing Program submitted for the **LEASE NAME:** UNIVERSITY 20 PW ;
WELL NUMBER: 2501H has been approved by the Railroad Commission of Texas District Office.

- a. A copy of this approved letter must be kept on location during all phases of drilling and/or plugging operations. Once approved, changes CANNOT be made to the Proposed Casing Program on the original application without additional approval from the Railroad Commission of Texas District Office.
- b. Any substantive modifications to the cement program require prior approval from the Railroad Commission of Texas District Office, and may require re-submission of the SWR 13 (Statewide Rule 13) Alternate Surface Casing Application. Contact the Railroad Commission of Texas District Office for more information.
- c. The tail slurry must be sufficient to fill the Zone of Critical Cement as described in Statewide Rule 13(b)(1)(H)(i). In addition, all cement slurries must be mixed on location as described in Application for Alternate Surface Casing Program.
- d. The casing and cement program shall adhere to the following specifications:

Set 4950 feet of surface casing with a multistage tool set at a depth of not less than 350 feet. Circulate cement from the multistage tool to the ground surface. If cement does not circulate to surface during the first stage, the multistage tool MUST be opened and cement be circulated from the tool to the surface.

The proposed alternative drilling fluid program for the fresh water protected interval is hereby approved.

The multistage tool is only included as a contingency measure to achieve cement returns to surface. Notify the Midland District Office immediately if any gas, H₂S or otherwise, is encountered before surface casing is set. Operator must not drill into or set casing in the Delaware formation.

IF CEMENT IS NOT CIRCULATED TO THE GROUND SURFACE AS REQUIRED BY THIS EXCEPTION, YOU MUST CONTACT THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS DISTRICT OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AND FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES SET OUT IN RULE 13(b)(1)(H)(iii) OR AS REQUIRED BY THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS DISTRICT OFFICE.

You must comply with all other provisions of SWR 13 (Statewide Rule 13) and a representative of the cementing company who performs the cementing job for the protection of usable quality water strata must sign the Form W-15 attesting to the information regarding cementing operations performed; including circulation of cement. (Note: If surface casing is set below the approved depth, this can result in denial of future Statewide Rule 13(b)(1)(H)(i) requests.) A condition of the approved drilling permit requires notification to the Railroad Commission of Texas District Office eight (8) hours prior to the time casing is to be set/cemented in the well. If your exception request was submitted after the subject well has been drilled and completed, the operator may be referred for enforcement action.

This authorization shall expire within five (5) years from the date the Groundwater Protection Determination was issued, or at the expiration of the drilling permit (if the well is not spudded prior to expiration) for the referenced well, whichever occurs first. Furthermore, this authorization supersedes any prior authorizations issued for the referenced well.

This exception is based on information provided when the application was submitted on 10/24/2018 .
If any information has changed, you must contact the appropriate Railroad Commission of Texas District Office, and submit a new application if applicable. If you have questions, please contact the appropriate Oil and Gas District office.

RRC APPROVAL BY: Kolby Durham

DATE: 11/02/2018

JEFFREY MORGAN

DISTRICT DIRECTOR