OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
416 West Congress #100
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Minutes of Meeting
September 13, 2002

Present:

Dr. J. Dale Nations, Chairman
Mr. Robert L. Jones, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Joseph J. Lane, Member
Mr. Steven L. Rauzi, Oil and Gas Administrator

The regular Commission Meeting of September 13, 2002, was called to order by Dr. J. Dale Nations, Chairman, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 321, State Land Department Building, Phoenix, Arizona.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF JULY 26, 2002

Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Lane:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF JULY 26, 2002, BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE OIL AND GAS ADMINISTRATOR

The activity report of Mr. Rauzi was sent to the Commissioners and has been made a part of these minutes. Mr. Rauzi reported that Copper Eagle was drilling the 1-12 hole about 2 miles northwest of the 1-19 hole. He described a map he completed showing the depth of the Luke salt relative to major streets and city boundaries. He reported that the Ridgeway 10-22 State well had produced a little over 23 million cubic feet of CO₂ in July.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON DR. NATIONS’ JUNE 18, 2002 LETTER TO THE STATE LAND COMMISSIONER [CARRIED FORWARD FROM JULY 26, 2002 MEETING]

Ms. Woodall reviewed Dr. Nations’ June 18, 2002 letter to the State Land Commissioner. She reported that the letter was null because it was not ratified at the July 26 meeting. She advised the Commission to take no further action on the letter based on her own analysis regarding the Commission’s role in the matter and the lack of requested analysis from the interested parties at the July 26 meeting. The Commission decided to take no further action on the letter.

DISCUSSION WITH RIDGEWAY PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATUS OF RIDGEWAY’S CO₂ PROJECT

No Ridgeway personnel were present. There was no discussion about the Ridgeway project.
DISCUSSION WITH COPPER EAGLE PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE COPPER EAGLE GAS STORAGE PROJECT

Mr. Reid reported that Copper Eagle was drilling its third stratigraphic hole this year. He explained that the main purpose for drilling the holes was to gather subsurface information relative to the disposal of brine from cavities leached in the Luke salt for storing natural gas. He mentioned that meetings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission were ongoing.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Somers described the work that High Plains Petroleum was doing on the Navajo and Cedar Mesa anticlines in the Holbrook Basin. He handed out a summary of the projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Nations announced that election of officers would be placed on the next agenda.

The Commission scheduled its next meeting at 10:00 a.m. on January 31, 2003, in Room 321 at the State Land Department Building in Phoenix.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Lane:

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED

Motion carried unanimously. Time of adjournment was 10:45 a.m.

APPROVED

[Signature]
Dr. J. Dale Nations
Chairman

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Richard Ahern       State Land Department
Alan Bohnenkamp     ACC Pipeline Safety
Bob Gray            ACC Utilities Division
John Karabees       Karabees Agencies
                      
Yale Rogers         Grazing Lessee
John Somers         High Plains Petroleum
Scott Somers        High Plains Petroleum
Laurie Woodall      Assistant Attorney General