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April 29, 1983

Shell California Production Inc.
P. O. Box 4576
Houston, Texas 77210

Attention: Mr. N. G. McKim
Division Production Manager
West Coast Production Division

Re: Beta Plan of Development

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your April 19, 1983 letter requesting our approval of your proposed amendment to the Beta Plan of Development to allow for drilling a 10,200-foot basement test from Platform Ellen to evaluate the Mohnian age section lying east of the Palos Verdes and Beta faults and, if warranted, to use the platform to develop Mohnian production.

We have reviewed your proposal and agree in principle to the idea of exploratory drilling and testing, and the development of Mohnian reservoirs from Platform Ellen. However, we are not prepared at this time to approve your request as to the development of Mohnian production from the platform.

We hereby approve an amendment to the Beta Plan of Development pursuant to your April 19, 1983 request only insofar as it provides for the exploratory drilling and testing of one or more wells from Platform Ellen that may be required to delineate potential Mohnian age reservoirs.

Sincerely yours,

H. T. Cypher

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Regional Supervisor
Field Operations

cc: Files: Beta POD Gen. Corres. ← This copy for
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