EXHIBIT J

Aquifer Exemption Information

Click here for the Aquifer Exemption Matrix.

Round Mountain

The California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources ("Division"), with concurrence of the State Water Resources Control Board ("State Water Board"), is considering a proposal to expand the current aquifer exemption designation for the Jewett and Pyramid Hill sands of the Freeman-Jewett Formation, the Vedder Formation, and the Walker Formation in the Round Mountain Oil Field (in unincorporated Kern County, approximately ten miles northeast of central Bakersfield). Subject to approval by the US Environmental Protection Agency ("US EPA"), the proposed aquifer exemption would allow the State, in compliance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, to approve Class II injection into

the identified area, either for enhanced oil recovery or for injection disposal of fluids associated with oil and gas production.

A public hearing of the proposal will be held on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Four Points Sheraton, 5101 California Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93309. For more information of the public hearing and the aquifer exemption proposal, please see the Notices and other documents below.

Public Notice and Documents relating to the Round Mountain Aquifer Exemption Application:

- Newspaper Notice
- Public Hearing Notice
- Statement of Basis
- State Water Board Preliminary Concurrence
- Transmittal Letter to the State Water Board
- Aquifer Exemption Application with Figures and Tables
- Aquifer Exemption Additional Documentation – State Agency Correspondence

  Appendices

  Plates

Public Hearing Document:

- Public Hearing Presentation Document

Arroyo Grande

The California Department of Conservation/Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources ("Division") and State Water Resources Control Board on February 8, 2016 submitted a proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requesting to expand an aquifer

exemption designation for the Dollie sands of the Pismo formation in the Arroyo Grande oil field. The field is in unincorporated San Luis Obispo County near the intersection of Ormonde Road and Price Canyon Road. The proposed aquifer exemption would allow the State, in compliance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, to approve Class II injection into the identified area, either for enhanced oil recovery or for injection disposal of fluids associated with oil and gas production.

In August 2015, state and regional officials sent the initial public notice regarding the expansion proposal. The initial public comment period was held from August 20 – September 21, with a public comment hearing on September 21st in San Luis Obispo. On December 2, 2015 officials provided additional information to the proposed exemption and reopened a 15-day supplemental comment period to receive comment on the additional information.

Public Notice and Documents relating to the Aquifer Exemption Application:

- DOGGR Application Transmital Letter to US EPA **NEW**
- Water Board Letter Final Concurrence on the Dolllie Sands **NEW**
- Arroyo AE Response to ALL Comments Final **NEW**
- 15-Day Notice
- Newspaper Notice
- Statement of Basis
- Map: Figure 1 Map of AG
- Map: S-N XSECTION A-A MIDDLE
- Map: W-E XSECTION B-B MIDDLE
- Project Memo
- Water Board Preliminary Concurrence
- Public Notice
- Hearing Notice
- Aquifer Exemption Complete Application with Appendices
- Aquifer Exemption Application
- Aquifer Exemption Application Appendices

Public Hearing Document:

- Arroyo Grande Aquifer Exemption Presentation

Informational Posters:

- Aquifer Exemption Process
- Proposed Aquifer Exemption Boundary - Arroyo Grande
- Cross Sections through the Arroyo Grande Field - Vertical
- Cross Sections through the Arroyo Grande Field - Aerial
- Resevior Fluid Balance Diagram - Arroyo Grande
- Pulas 4
- Generalized Injection Well
- Required Testing for all Injection Wells

Division of Oil Gas and Geothermal Contacts

- In Case of Emergency
- Division Contacts
- Career Opportunities

Technical Information

- GIS/Maps
- Online Production and Injection
- Online Well Record Search
- Pre 1977 Production and Injection Scanned Documents
- Well Finder

Programs

- Aquifer Exemptions
- Construction Site Review
- Facilities
- Renewal Plan
- SB 1281
- Underground Injection Control
- Well Stimulation Treatment
- Well Stimulation Treatment Program (Interim Period)

Laws, Regulations and Publications

- Forms
- FTP Site
- Laws, Regulations, and Field Rules
- Memoranda of Understanding - Memoranda of Agreement
- Publications
- SB 4 Final EIR

WST Disclosures and Other Well Information

- WST Disclosure Website
- Neighbor Notification/Water Sampling Information

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- Industry
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