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I, Larry Watts, being first duly sworn on oath, state that this Affidavit concerns the chain of title to the following described real estate:

The South Half (½) of the Northeast Quarter (¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Seventy-seven (77) North, Range Twenty-six (26) West of the 5th P.M., Madison County, Iowa



Bernard J. Hess and Marilyn J. Hess, Lessors, and Benchmark Resources Corporation,

Lessee, entered into an Oil and Gas Lease which is dated January 28, 1985, and filed April 10, 1985,
in Miscellaneous Record 36, Page 406 of the Recorder's office of Madison County, Iowa. Lessee's
interest in the Lease was subsequent assigned to H & H Star Energy, Inc., by an instrument dated April
1, 1985, and filed May 8, 1985, in Mortgage Record 36, Page 467 of the Recorder's office of
Madison County, Iowa. This affiant states that in regard to this Lease, operations by the Lessee, or the
Lessee's assignees, under the Lease upon the above described real estate, were not commenced at any
time, and that the interest of the Lessee, or the Lessee's assignee, in the above described real estate
under the Lease Agreement, has been terminated in all respects.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Larry Watts on this 27 day of

Much , 2003.

Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa

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