

ROAD USE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 25th day of June, 2007, between Betty J. Hall Speelman (hereinafter "Grantor", whether one or more) the owner of the surface of the following described lands situated in La Plata County, State of Colorado, and hereinafter further described to-wit:

Township 33 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M.
Section 8: NE/4SE/4

and Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC. (hereinafter referred to as "Elm Ridge"). The parties agree as follows:

1. **Grant of Road Use:** Grantor hereby grants unto Elm Ridge an easement not to exceed Twenty feet (20') in width, to use the existing road located on the above referenced property as shown on the attached Exhibit "A". The parties hereto shall cooperate with each other concerning the use of this easement. Grantor reserves the right to full use and enjoyment of the subject road except for the purposes herein granted, but such use shall not hinder, conflict, or interfere, directly or indirectly, with the exercise of Elm Ridge's rights hereunder.
2. **Repair of Road:** Elm Ridge agrees to be responsible for damages to the road caused by its operations as long as said road is being used by Elm Ridge. Elm Ridge further agrees to repair said damages in a timely and workman like manner.
3. **Use of Road:** The use of this road shall be for access to facilities operated by Elm Ridge. Elm Ridge will restrict its use of the road to normal business hours as much as possible, but has the right to use said road at any time if necessary.
4. **Successors and Assigns:** The terms, conditions, and provisions of this agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their successors, assigns, agents, employees, licensees, permittees, contractors, and subcontractors.
5. **Term:** The rights herein granted shall be possessed, continued, and enjoyed by Elm Ridge, its successors and assigns, so long as the subject facilities are operated by Elm Ridge, its successors and assigns.
6. **Entire Agreement:** The terms of this written Agreement and Side Letter shall constitute the full agreement between the parties hereto and no modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be effective without the written consent of the parties being first obtained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year first above written:

p/v by Enne/Land Co

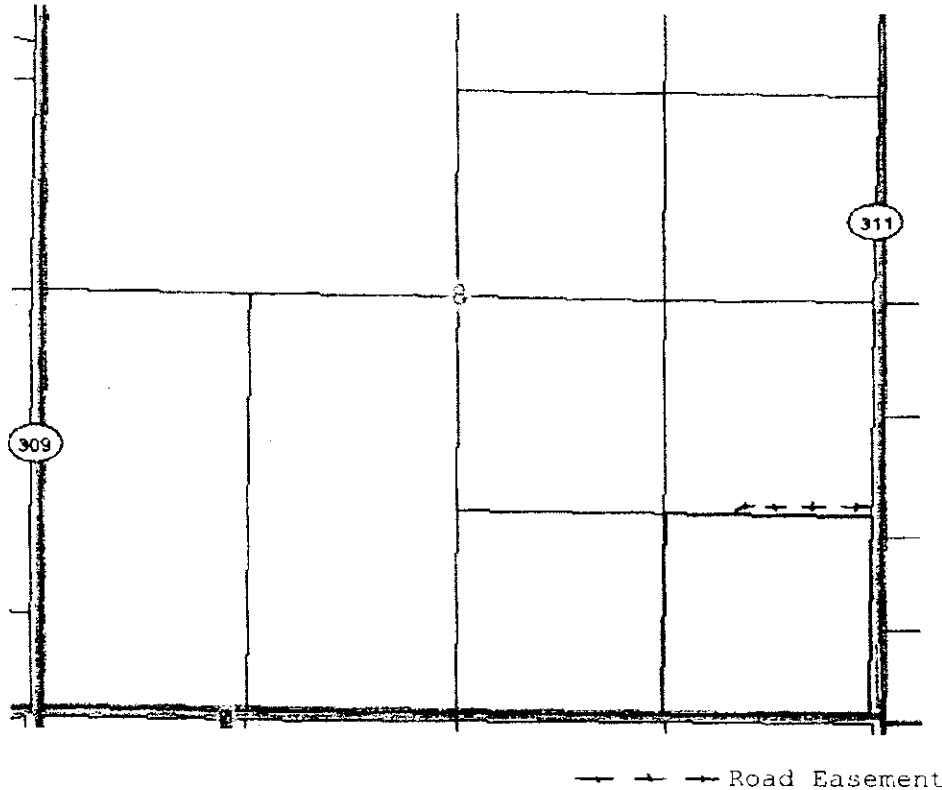
EXHIBIT "A"

Attached to and made a part of that certain Road Use Agreement dated June 25, 2007, by and between Betty J. Hall Speelman (Grantor), and Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC., (Elm Ridge).

DESCRIPTION:

T.33N/R.8W., NMPM.
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A twenty feet (20') wide road easement across a portion of Grantor's property as shown below:



Signed for Identification:

GRANTOR:

Betty J. Hall Speelman
Betty J. Hall Speelman

ELM RIDGE EXPLORATION COMPANY, LLC.

Michael J. Finney
Michael J. Finney, as authorized Agent
for Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC.