Meeting Date: 04/26/22

Work Order Number: W 17166

Staff: J. Abedi

# Staff Report 51

### **GRANTEE:**

City of Long Beach

### PROPOSED ACTION:

Acceptance of the Long Beach Unit Annual Plan (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023), Long Beach Unit, Wilmington Oil Field, Los Angeles County

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City of Long Beach (City), as Unit Operator and Trustee for the State, has submitted its Annual Plan (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023) for the Long Beach Unit (LBU) to the Commission, as required by Chapter 138, Statutes of 1964, 1st Extraordinary Session, and Chapter 941 of the Statutes of 1991 and the Optimized Waterflood Program Implementation Agreement (OWPA).

On March 22, 2022, the Long Beach City Council adopted the proposed Annual Plan and authorized formal submission to the Commission. The Commission received the Plan on March 23, 2022. As provided by Chapter 941, the Commission has 45 days to review the Annual Plan for consistency with the budget parameters of the 5-Year Program Plan, accepted by the Commission in April 2021 (Item 40, April 27, 2021). The Commission may order changes in the Annual Plan budget where necessary to ensure consistency with the 5-Year Program Plan. If the Commission orders no changes within 45 days, the Annual Plan is deemed to be reviewed and accepted by the Commission. The Commission's 45-day review period ends May 7, 2022.

#### PROGRAM PLAN CONSISTENCY:

Pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 941, the Annual Plan, as submitted, is subject to review by the Commission for consistency with the budget of the current Program Plan. The proposed Annual Plan is a 1-year plan submitted by the City covering Fiscal Year 2022-23. It is an itemized budget of anticipated expenditures needed to carry out the Program Plan objectives. There are five expenditure categories in the

Annual Plan: Development Drilling; Operating Expense; Facilities Maintenance and Plant; Unit Field Labor and Administrative; and Taxes, Permits, and Administrative Overhead. The proposed Annual Plan's total budgeted expenditure of \$320.7 million is 23.7 percent more than the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget of \$259.3 million. This change is mainly due to increased project activity as a result of current higher oil prices. Based on the analysis below, staff believes that the proposed Annual Plan is consistent with the objectives in the Program Plan. Recent volatility in the oil market, however, requires monitoring the impact on the LBU operations and may require future revisions to the Program Plan.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY REVIEW:**

The adequacy of the safety and environmental protection of the LBU is monitored and evaluated by staff by conducting monthly Safety and Pollution Prevention inspections and periodic Safety and Pollution Prevention audits. The monthly inspections verify the performance of the alarm, control, and automatic shutdown sensors and systems, and the spill response and life safety equipment and systems. The safety audits augment the inspections with an analysis of the technical design of a facility's automatic shutdown and alarm and control safety systems, review of maintenance practices and schedules, vessel and piping condition assessment inspections, training and certification programs, and operating procedures and emergency response manuals. Staff also conducts a Safety Analysis of Management Systems and human error factor evaluation through a series of interviews with a cross-section of LBU and contractor employees. This analysis assesses the degree of integration of established safety and spill prevention programs and the maturity of corporate management safety culture.

After the completion of the field work for the audit, Safety Audit Engineers evaluate the data gathered to determine compliance with Commission regulations and industry codes. Staff then develops an action item matrix that prioritizes the findings into three ranks by risk and prepares a final report for LBU management describing the audit procedures and findings, with the action item matrix attached. The report includes time periods to resolve the action items, according to the risk presented by the item. During the follow-up phases, Safety Audit Engineers verify and track the completion of the action items.

Staff has now completed the follow up phase of the third round of safety audits for LBU. In 2002, the first round of audits found a total of 3,197 action items. The second round, in 2012, found 1,506 action items. The third round, in 2019, found 601 action items. None of the current-round action items are priority one high risks. Seventeen percent are priority two moderate risks, which have all been resolved. The remaining 83 percent are priority three low risks, all of which have been resolved.

The substantial decrease in action items demonstrates the value of performing these staff-conducted safety audits, as well as the Field Contractor's audits and the City's continuing commitment to maintain safe and pollution free operations of the LBU.

#### **ECONOMIC PROJECTIONS IN ANNUAL PLAN:**

The economic projections within the Annual Plan are consistent with the projected operations identified in the Program Plan. For Fiscal Year 2022-23, the City estimates the LBU net income will be \$24.8 million after total expenditures of \$320.7 million. This net income projection is based on the City's crude oil price forecast of \$60 per barrel (bbl) and a natural gas price of \$4.5 per thousand cubic feet (mcf). Most of the net income will be from oil revenues. The City forecasts oil production to average 15,342 bbl/day in Fiscal Year 2022-23. This rate assumes the continuation of development activity to involve a total of 36 wells being re-drilled from existing wellbores over the Annual Plan period (compared with 24 wells originally forecasted in the Program Plan).

Fluctuations in oil price, variations in production, and other economic conditions all may cause adjustment to expenditure levels and the types of planned development projects. Pursuant to article 2, paragraph 2.07 of the OWPA, the Field Contractor may exceed any budget category in the approved Annual Plan budget up to 120 percent without obtaining additional authority from the City and the Commission.

Table 1 - Annual Plan vs. Program Plan (Fiscal Year 2022-23)
All Figures are in Millions of Dollars

Key Factors	Annual Plan Fiscal Year 2022-23	Program Plan Fiscal Year 2022-23	Percent of Change
Average Oil Rate (BBL/day)	15,342	14,100	8.8%
Expenditure	\$320.7	\$224.0	43.2%
Revenue	\$345.5	\$248.0	39.3%
Net Profit	\$24.8	\$23.0	7.8%
Oil Price \$/BBL/day	\$60.0	\$47.0	27.7%

#### **REVIEW OF ANNUAL PLAN:**

Because of the significant effects that increased oil price may have on the LBU's budget, capital expense, and drilling program, and on net revenues, staff plans to

work closely with the City and Contractor over the next year to monitor and assess the impacts to the LBU operations. This close collaboration may result in recommended changes to the next Annual Plan and the Program Plan when they are considered by the Commission during next year's mid-program update.

Staff's review indicates that the Annual Plan is consistent with the budget objectives outlined in the Program Plan and that the Annual Plan is consistent with good oil field practice. The Annual Plan is based on all available engineering and geologic information at the time of preparation. To ensure that the Annual Plan provides for good oil field practice, staff remains involved in ongoing LBU development activities and the planning of future activities. Staff involvement includes, among other things, monthly meetings of an engineering committee, voting parties, reservoir management consultation with the City and the Field Contractor, on-site inspector presence in the field, analysis of drilling safeguards involving blowout prevention equipment certification, oil spill prevention exercises, and subsidence monitoring and prevention.

In addition, staff believes the Annual Plan is consistent with the OWPA, the LBU Agreement, and the LBU Operating Agreement, as they pertain to development and operations, subsidence prevention, preparation, and submittal of plans of development and expenditures, re-pressuring operations, and drilling schedules.

Staff, through field inspections, also finds that the Field Contractor adheres to industry codes and standards, including the American Petroleum Institute recommended practices, State oil and gas regulations, and safety and environmental regulations of all State and local governmental agencies having jurisdiction over LBU operations.

#### **OIL PRICE FORECAST:**

In planning the expenditures needed to accomplish LBU objectives, and the revenues needed to fund those expenditures, the City has used a crude oil price forecast of \$60/bbl. This oil price forecast is appropriate for planning as the price for LBU crude oil in February 2022 averaged \$88/bbl. The City's approach for planning purposes is intended to ensure that revenues will be sufficient to pay for the LBU proposed expenditures and still provide net income to the State, Field Contractor, Operator, and the other working interest owners. Estimates prepared by staff for State revenue projections for Fiscal Year 2022-23 use an oil price forecast that reflects the current commodity price environment.

## **OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:**

- 1. This action is consistent with paragraph 2b of the "Meeting Evolving Public Trust Needs" Strategic Focus Area of the Commission's 2021-2025 Strategic Plan.
- Acceptance of the Long Beach Unit Annual Plan is not a project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act because it is an administrative action that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15378, subdivision (b)(5).

### **EXHIBITS:**

- A. Letter from the City of Long Beach submitting the Long Beach Unit Annual Plan to the California State Lands Commission
- B. Long Beach Unit Annual Plan (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023)
- C. Oil Price Comparison (Graph and Average Price Chart 2016 -2022)

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

It is recommended that the Commission:

#### **AUTHORIZATION:**

- 1. Accept the Long Beach Unit Annual Plan (July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023), Long Beach Unit, Wilmington Oil Field, Los Angeles County.
- 2. Direct staff to work with the City and Field Contractor to monitor and assess the impacts of fluctuating oil prices to the Long Beach Unit and to recommend changes, if appropriate, to the next Annual Plan and the Program Plan when they are considered by the Commission during next year's mid-program update.



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March 23, 2022

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California State Lands Commission
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SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF THE LONG BEACH UNIT ANNUAL PLAN (JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023)

Dear Ms. Meshkati;

The City of Long Beach, as Unit Operator of the Long Beach Unit, and in accordance with Chapter 138, Section 5, Chapter 941, Section 3, and the Agreement for Implementation of an Optimized Waterflood Program for the Long Beach Unit, Article 2, submits three copies of the Long Beach Unit Annual Plan (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023).

The Plans were approved by the Long Beach City Council on March 22, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kevin Tougas at (562) 570-3963.

Sincerely,

ROBERT DOWELL, DIRECTOR

LONG BEACH ENERGY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

#### Enclosures

cc:

J. Lucchesi, California State Lands Commission

J. Hilton, California Resources Long Beach, Inc.

R. Anthony, City of Long Beach

EXHIBIT B W17166

# **Long Beach Unit**

# **THUMS Long Beach Company**

(Agent for Field Contractor)



# **ANNUAL PLAN**

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023



# **ANNUAL PLAN**

# July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

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## Part I

# Introduction

This Annual Plan ("Plan") was developed to reflect anticipated activity levels during the fiscal period from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 ("FY23"). It is being submitted as required by Section 5(a) of Chapter 138, Statutes of 1964, First Extraordinary Session, and as revised by passage of Assembly Bill 227 (Chapter 941, Statutes of 1991) and the Optimized Waterflood Program Agreement executed by the State of California, the City of Long Beach, and California Resources Long Beach, Inc. ("CRC"), the Field Contractor.

This Plan provides for drilling, producing, water injection, and other associated activities from offshore and onshore locations. The budget for these activities is grouped into the following five major categories:

Plan Category	Fiscal Year 2023 (\$ Million)
Development Drilling	\$ 92.6
Operating Expense	\$ 98.2
Facilities, Maintenance, and Plant	\$ 62.5
Unit Field Labor and Administrative	\$ 37.9
Taxes, Permits, and Administrative Overhead	\$ 29.5
Total	\$320.7

#### A. Plan Basis

This Plan was developed based on the parameters outlined in the draft Program Plan for the period July 2021 through June 2026 and provides current and updated estimates of volumes, activity levels and expenditures for FY23.

#### **Volumes**

Oil and gas production volumes are predicted to average 15.3 Mbopd and 5.8 MMcfpd, respectively, in FY23. Water production for the period is expected to average 990 Mbwpd and water injection is expected to average 1,045 Mbwpd.

#### **Revenue and Expenses**

A projected realized oil price of \$60/bbl and gas price of \$4.52/mcf are projected to result in revenues of \$345.5 million. Budgeted expenses for FY23 total \$320.7 million. Projected net profit in FY23 is \$24.8 million.

#### <u>Drilling</u>

This Plan is based upon 36 producing replacement wells planned from existing cellars. The Plan sets a drilling pace equivalent to approximately 1.5 drilling rig over the fiscal year. The rig utilization could potentially change due to variations in oil price and program performance and additional funding might be required during the fiscal year. Workover rigs will perform drilling preparation and completion work.

The locations of production and injection wells are consistent with those given in the Program Plan (see attached Part II, Schedule 2B). Injection support for the drilling program will be provided through a combination of capital workovers (add pays and conversions), return to injection of idle injectors, and 4 drill injectors. As per current operational and regulatory practices, injection support will continue to maintain adequate Injection-to-Gross (I/G) ratios to prevent subsidence and improve waterflood sweep efficiency.

#### **Maintenance**

The majority of the facility projects anticipated during the Plan period are required to maintain current equipment capabilities or to increase efficiency of current operations. Other projects are planned to take advantage of technological and other improvement opportunities and to address changes in the oil field operating environment.

CRC has a Mechanical Integrity and Quality Assurance ("MIQA") program to assess and maintain facility equipment and piping in order to ensure safety of personnel, operations, and/or the environment. The MIQA program is designed to meet internal and regulatory requirements and provide a high level of equipment integrity to reduce risk and increase reliability. Key elements include:

- Identification, evaluation, and determination of what equipment and/or process components are critical (i.e. their failure or malfunction could adversely affect the safety of personnel, operations, and/or the environment).
- A process to ensure equipment and components comply with material specifications, design and construction codes or standards thus providing a measure of safety and reliability.
- Methodologies for inspecting, testing and maintaining the equipment and documenting such action.

The MIQA program is an integral piece of the overall flow of maintenance, from inspection/testing through maintenance and, when necessary, repairs or replacement. The program is supported through the use of a comprehensive database and work order system that provides control and management of all maintenance activities.

Projects will be undertaken to repair or replace equipment that is nearing its useful life. Items needing to be repaired or replaced include, but are not limited to, facilities piping, tanks, and vessels. These projects are consistent with past activities to keep the Long Beach Unit ("Unit") facilities in safe operating condition.

#### **Abandonment**

Wells and facilities with no further economic use will be abandoned to reduce the long-term Unit liability. This Plan provides funds for plugging wells to surface, inzone, and conditional abandonments to maintain compliance with the CalGEM Idle Well Management Plan program (PRC 3206).

#### Safety, Environmental, and Regulatory Compliance

CRC is committed to conducting all aspects of its business in a manner that provides for the safety and health of employees, contractors and the public, and safeguards the environment in which it operates. In 2020, the National Safety Council awarded CRC THUMS Operations with an Occupational Excellence Achievement Award for achieving a lost workday case incident rate better than 50 percent of the industry average.

The National Safety Council also awarded CRC THUMS the Perfect Record Award which recognizes an operating area completing at least 12 consecutive months without a company employee receiving an occupational injury or illness that resulted in days away from work. These achievements are further demonstrated in the key safety programs, which include incident reporting and investigation, safety meetings and training, Management of Change (MOC), Process Hazard Reviews (PHR's), emergency response planning and drills, and a behavior-based safety observation program.

Key aspects of the environmental program include compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including South Coast Air Quality Management District ("SCAQMD") requirements, waste management and minimization, spill prevention plans and Business Emergency Plans (BEP's).

The effectiveness and compliance of the above programs are assessed through various internal audit programs. In addition, numerous agencies conduct periodic audits, including the CA State Lands Commission, Department of Transportation, State Fire Marshal, South Coast AQMD, Environmental Protection Agency, Long Beach Fire and Health Departments, Port of Long Beach and City of Long Beach Energy Resources Department. CRC THUMS participated in the re-occurring 5-year Safety and Oil Spill Audit, the main objective of which is to ensure that oil and

gas production facilities are operated in a safe and environmentally sound manner. The audit, which started in 2017, was completed July 15, 2020 and showed that CRC THUMS has had continuous improvement in reducing findings and risk from previous audits and embraces the responsibility to provide and maintain a safe and healthy work environment for all employees, and the community.

Emergency response planning and preparedness is bolstered by partnering with Marine Spill Response Corporation (MSRC). MSRC is an independent, non-profit, national spill response company dedicated to rapid response to environmental incidents. MSRC has a major west coast base of operations in the Port of Long Beach and its equipment and expertise are readily available for emergencies and are incorporated in onsite training exercises. The training exercises also involve a close working relationship with the United States Coast Guard and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Environmental and community outreach is also a fundamental part of operations and each of the Islands received a Conservation Certification in 2021 by the Wildlife Habitat Council ("WHC"). This certification is awarded to facilities that provide for public education and involvement through wildlife related projects and learning opportunities on the facilities. The certifications received by the WHC demonstrate the Unit's continuing commitment to environmental stewardship and habitat conservation.

Projects relating to safety, environmental issues, or other situations necessary for meeting compliance with code, permit, or regulatory requirements will continue to be implemented under this Plan in accordance with all Unit agreements. In addition, CRC places additional emphasis on risk and system reviews and operational safeguards to assure reliable and compliant environmental performance.

#### **Economic Review**

Project expenditures during the Plan period are subject to economic review through the Determination and Authority for Expenditure ("AFE") processes. All existing wells are frequently reviewed in light of changing crude prices to determine if they are economic to operate. Well servicing work is justified on economics and other conditions consistent with good engineering, business, and operating practices.

CRC remains committed to careful prevention of subsidence through strict adherence to existing regulations and voidage-driven injection requirements.

# B. Economic Projections (Data in Millions of Dollars)

FOTIMATED DEVENUE	BUDGET FIRST QUARTER FY23	BUDGET SECOND QUARTER FY23	BUDGET THIRD QUARTER FY23	BUDGET FOURTH QUARTER FY23	BUDGET TOTAL FY23
ESTIMATED REVENUE					
Oil Revenue	\$82.3	\$83.8	\$83.8	\$86.1	\$336.0
Gas Revenue	\$2.6	\$2.6	\$2.5	\$1.9	\$9.5
TOTAL REVENUE	\$84.8	\$86.4	\$86.3	\$88.0	\$345.5
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,	\$16.5	\$14.9	\$31.8	\$29.3	·
Operating Expense	\$24.7	\$22.6	\$26.4	\$24.6	\$98.3
Facilities & Maintenance	\$16.4	\$15.4	\$15.9	\$14.8	\$62.5
Unit Field Labor & Administration	\$8.8	\$9.0	\$10.4	\$9.7	\$37.9
Taxes, Permits & Overhead	\$8.2	\$5.9	\$8.8	\$6.5	\$29.5
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$74.6	\$67.9	\$93.4	\$84.9	\$320.7
NET PROFIT	\$10.3	\$18.5	(\$7.1)	\$3.1	\$24.8

### **C. MAJOR PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS**

	BUDGET FIRST QUARTER FY23	BUDGET SECOND QUARTER FY23	BUDGET THIRD QUARTER FY23	BUDGET FOURTH QUARTER FY23	BUDGET TOTAL <u>FY23</u>
OIL PRODUCTION					
PRODUCED (1000 BBL)	1,371	1,397	1,397	1,436	5,600
(AVERAGE B/D)	14,901	15,184	15,518	15,776	15,342
GAS PRODUCTION					
PRODUCED (1000 MCF)	535	536	520	511	2,102
(AVERAGE MCF/D)	5,819	5,821	5,775	5,617	5,758
WATER PRODUCTION					
PRODUCED (1000 BBL)	89,543	89,654	89,347	92,785	361,330
(AVERAGE B/D)	973,298	974,503	992,747	1,019,614	989,945
WATER INJECTION					
INJECTED (1000 BBL)	94,551	94,693	94,374	97,989	381,607
(AVERAGE B/D)	1,027,727	1,029,275	1,048,596	1,076,805	1,045,499
OIL PRICE (\$/BBL) GAS PRICE (\$/MCF)	\$60.00 \$4.80	\$60.00 \$4.80	\$60.00 \$4.80	\$60.00 \$3.66	\$60.00 \$4.52

# Part II

# **Program Plan Schedules**

Schedule 2A
Range of Production and Injection
Fiscal Year 23
Long Beach Unit Program Plan, July 2021-June 2026

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FISCAL YEAR			OPD	WATER MBWPD		GAS MMCFPD		INJECTION MBWPD		MBWPD		
2023	13.1	-	14.8	808	-	912	5.8	-	6.5	852	-	962

FISCAL YEAR	RANGE OF INJECTION PRESSURES							
	TAR PSI	RANGER PSI	TERMINAL PSI	U. P./FORD PSI				
2023	1500	2500	2500	2500				

Schedule 2 B
Anticipated New Completions & Redrills
Fiscal Year 23

# Long Beach Unit Program Plan, July 2021-June 2026

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## Part III

# **Itemized Budget of Expenditures**

### A. Development Drilling

\$92.6MM

The Development Drilling category of expenditures encompasses all replacement well drilling activity, as well as maintenance and replacement of drilling equipment within the Unit. Funds for development drilling are based on the assumption that 36 wells will be developed during the Plan year using a drilling pace equivalent to approximately 1.5 drilling rig. Additional funding might be required during the year for any incremental drilling activity.

Drilling and completing wells account for majority of the funding provided in this Category. Included in these activities is funding for rig move-in, drilling and casing, completion activities, drilling rig in-zone plugs and conditional abandonments, and unscheduled activity (fishing operations, cement squeezing, special logging, contract drilling services).

Exact specifications regarding the distribution of wells, bottom hole locations, and completion intervals will be determined by CRC. These decisions will be influenced by contributions from reservoir engineering personnel, results from ongoing engineering studies, and well performance. This information will be reviewed and approved in accordance with the various unit agreements during regularly scheduled meetings.

# B. Operating Expense

\$98.2MM

The Operating Expense category of expenditures encompasses the ongoing costs of day-to-day well production and injection operations necessary for producing,

processing, and delivering crude oil and gas, and for all electric power charges. Expenses for this category are based on estimated oil production of 15.3 Mbopd, estimated gas production of 5.8 MMcfpd, water injection requirement of 1,045 Mbwpd, and water production of 990 Mbwpd. Anticipated operating expenses were based on operating seven workover rigs per month for servicing an average active well count of 600 producers and 370 injectors. These rigs will also be used for the completion of approximately 21 investment wellwork projects. Funding for idle well testing is also included under this category.

The day-to-day costs for production and injection well subsurface operations represent approximately 22 percent of the funding provided in this category. Included are funds for recompletions, routine well work, well conversions, in-zone plugs, conditional abandonments, and other charges incurred for well maintenance.

Electricity makes up 67 percent of the funds in this Category. Cost for electric power is based on estimated kilowatt usage of 616,000,000 KWh at an average rate of \$0.1029/KWh. This cost includes all sources of Unit electrical power, including costs associated with the power plant and electric utility purchases.

# C. Facilities, Maintenance, and Plant \$62.5MM

The Facilities, Maintenance, and Plant category of expenditures encompasses costs for maintenance, repairs, upgrades, additions of surface facilities and pipelines, and costs for general field services.

Approximately 25 percent of the funding in this category is for general field and operating costs. This includes, but is not limited to, charges for general labor, equipment rentals, and materials for general maintenance (painting, welding, electrical, etc.) of all Unit systems, such as oil gathering, treating, storage, and transfer; gas gathering and treating; scale and corrosion control; produced water handling; waste disposal; leasehold improvements; electrical system; fresh water system; fire protection and safety; marine operations; and automotive equipment. Funds are also provided for chemical purchases and laboratory-related charges for chemical treatment of produced and injected fluids; gas processing charges; make-up water; security; transportation; small tools; and other miscellaneous field activities.

Approximately 54 percent of the funding in this Category is for facility repair and minor projects. The majority of the facility repair and project investment is on the Tank and Vessel maintenance program and the remaining investment is focused on inspection, maintenance and repair in support of the MIQA program. This work includes regulated pipeline inspection surveys and evaluation, inspection and repair of cathodic protection systems, and infrastructure piping integrity inspections not covered by regulatory control. Projects include expenditures related to replacement, relocation, or minor expansion of existing injection piping, oil and water pumps and other infrastructure related investments.

#### D. Unit Field Labor and Administrative \$37.9MM

The Unit Field Labor and Administrative category of expenditures encompasses costs for Unit personnel and other Unit support activities.

Funding for Unit personnel includes costs of salaries, wages, benefits, training, and expenses of CRC employees. These costs represent approximately 89 percent of the Category total.

Funding for Unit support activities includes, but is not limited to, costs for professional and temporary services necessary for the completion of support activities; charges for data processing; computer hardware and software; communications; office rent; general office equipment and materials; drafting and reprographic services; DOT drug and alcohol testing; special management projects; and other miscellaneous support charges.

# E. Taxes, Permits, and Administrative Overhead \$29.5 MM

The Taxes, Permits, and Administrative Overhead category of expenditures includes funds for specific taxes, permits, licenses, land leases, and all administrative overhead costs for the Unit.

Funding is provided for taxes levied on personal property, mining rights, and oil production; for the Petroleum and Gas Fund Assessment; annual well permits and renewals; Conservation Committee of California Oil and Gas Producers Assessment; California Oil Spill Response, Prevention, and Administration fee; land leases; and pipeline right-of-way costs. These costs represent approximately 60 percent of the Category total.

Funding is also provided in this Category for all Administrative Overhead (including Unit Operator billable costs and CRC billable costs) as called for in Exhibit F of the Unit Operating Agreement.

# **PART IV**

# **Definitions**

This Annual Plan may be Modified or Supplemented after review by the State Lands Commission for consistency with the current Program Plan. All Modifications and Supplements to this plan will be presented by the Long Beach Energy Resources Department, City of Long Beach, acting with the consent of CRC, to the State Lands Commission in accordance with Article 2.06 of the Optimized Waterflood Program Agreement.

In addition, on or before October 1, 2023 the City of Long Beach shall present to the State Lands Commission a final report and closing statement of the FY23 Annual Plan, in accordance with the provision in Section 10 of Chapter 138.

#### A. Modifications

The City of Long Beach, acting with the consent of CRC, has the authority to cause the expenditures of funds for Unit Operations in excess of the amount set forth in the budget included in the Annual Plan, provided, however, that no such expenditure shall be incurred that would result in any category of expenditures set forth in the budget to exceed 120 percent of the budgeted amount for that category. A budget modification would be required for any expenditures which would cause a budget category to exceed its budgeted amount by 120 percent.

Any transfer of funds between budget categories or an augmentation or decrease of the entire budget may be accomplished by a budget modification in accordance with section 5(g) of Chapter 138 and Article 2.06 of the Optimized Waterflood Program Agreement.

Investment, facilities, and management expense projects commenced in prior budget periods, which are to be continued during the current budget period, may be added to this budget by a modification in accordance with Article 2.06 of the Optimized Waterflood Program Agreement.

# B. Supplements

This Annual Plan contains all the investment and expense projects reasonably anticipated at the time the Plan was drafted and for which adequate detailed studies existed. Any significant and uncommon expenses not originally contemplated may be added to this budget or transferred by a supplement in accordance with Article 2.06 of the Optimized Waterflood Program Agreement. The amount of the supplement shall include sufficient funds to complete the projects.

# C. Final Report and Closing Statement

The final report and closing statement for FY23 shall contain a reconciliation by category as finally modified and the actual accomplishments, including:

- 1. Redrill completions by zone.
- 2. Facilities and capital projects.
- 3. Production by zone.
- 4. Injection by zone.

### **EXHIBIT C**

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## **Oil Price Comparison**

