

**Ministerial Regulation Prescribing rules, procedures and conditions on area reservation
Issued under the provisions of the Petroleum Act B.E. 2514
No.9 (B.E. 2514)**

In exercise of the power conferred by Section 14(5), Section 45 and Section 46 of the Petroleum Act B.E. 2514, the Minister of National Development hereby issues the following Ministerial Regulation:

1. Areas which the concessionaire may reserve under the first paragraph of Section 45 shall be those areas which the concessionaire himself has not yet relinquished and which are contiguous to his production areas. If the concessionaire wishes to reserve areas which are not contiguous to his production areas, he shall seek a written permission of the Director- General. The concessionaire is required to define each area he wishes to reserve under paragraph 1 hereof in shape of a polygon by clearly indicating its geographical co-ordinates, and each polygon shall be of substantial size capable to enclose a circular area of eight hundred metres In radius.
2. The concessionaire shall express his wishes to reserve areas to the Director- General in accordance with the Form DMR/P4 annexed hereto prior to the date of termination of the petroleum exploration period.
3. Within seven days from the date he received a written confirmation of the Director- General as to the amount of his reserved areas. the concessionaire shall pay the surface reservation fee for the first year in relation to the amount of the areas to be reserved. For the following years, the concessionaire shall pay the surface reservation fee prior to the starting date of each year thereof. In the case where the concessionaire has been awarded additional production area within his reserved areas, or where he has relinquished parts of his reserved areas, the surface reservation fee for the subsequent year shall be calculated on only those part to be retained.
4. The concessionaire who wishes to receive a refund of the reservation fee for any year by virtue of the first paragraph of Section 46 shall submit to the Director-General an application in accordance with the Form DMR/P5 annexed hereto within three months from the date of termination of that year.

Given on this 13th Day of September B.E. 2514

Signature

Pote Sarasin

Minister of National Development

Notification on Areas to be Reserved

Written at

Date

We (Company's Name)

the Concessionaire, the registered number of the concession being
represented by....., who has the power to act on behalf of the company
by virtue of a Power of Attorney datedhereby notify
the Director-General of the Department of Mineral Resources of the areas to be reserved in
the exploration block No..... aggregating
square kilometres and having detailed descriptions as shown in the map attached hereto.

(Signature)

{The Writer}

Application for a Refund of Surface Reservation Fees

Written at

Date

We, (Company's name)the Concessionaire, the registered number of the concession being....., represented by....., who has the power to act on behalf of the Company by virtue of a Power of Attorney dated..... hereby apply to the Director-General of the Department of Mineral Resources for a refund of the surface reservation fees paid to cover the period beginning from (Month)..... to (Month)for the reserved areas located within the exploration block No. with the following details:

1. The areas reserved by the Company aggregated square kilometres, and the surface reservation fees paid to the Department of Mineral Resources therefore totalled Baht..... (.....Baht) as shown in the receipt No....., dated

2. The expenditure spent in petroleum exploration within the reserved areas under paragraph 1 hereof during the said period totalled Baht (.....Baht), having details as shown in the list of expenses together with supporting evidences attached hereto.

3. The Company therefore hereby applies for a refund of the surface reservation fees in the amount equivalent to the petroleum exploration expenditure spent within the reserved areas totalling Baht..... (.....Baht).

(Signature)

(The Applicant)