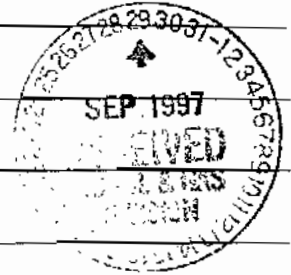


APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION
 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF NORTH DAKOTA
 FORM G-1
 SFN _____

OIL AND GAS DIVISION
 600 E BOULEVARD AVE
 BISMARCK, ND 58505



1) a. Company - Address RELIABLE EXPLORATION, INC. 868 Parkway Lane Billings, MT 59101
 Contact, Telephone, Fax
Allen Rein, President (406) 259-1860 FAX (406) 259-8589
 Surety Company Amwest Surety Co Bond Amount \$50,000.00 Bond Number 1140460
 2) a. Subcontractor(s), Address, Telephone
TCS Drilling Box 574 Sidney, MT 59270 (406) 482-7769
Swenson Drilling Box 693 Sidney, MT 59270 (406) 482-1270
 b. Subcontractor(s), Address, Telephone
Tumbleweed Drilling & Plugging 10120 - 111th Ave SE Minot, ND 58701 (701) 624-5613
 c. Subcontractor(s), Address, Telephone
Buckskin Services (Plugging) 919 - 12th St SW Sidney, MT 59270 (406) 482-1143
 3) Party Manager, Address, Telephone
Douglas Wick P.O. Box 741 Sidney, MT 59270 (406) 482-4092
 4) Project Name or Line Numbers
LYCO ENERGY - ALKABO/SOUTH MILLER LAKE 3-D
 5) Exploration Method (Shot hole, Non-Explosive, 2D, 3D)
Shot Hole - 3-D
 6) Approx. Date Work Will Start _____ Approx. Date Work Completion _____

MUST NOTIFY THE COMMISSION AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF COMMENCEMENT OF DRILL/PLUG OPERATIONS

7) Location of Proposed Project
 County(s) Divide
 Section(s), Township(s) & Range(s)

Sec. <u>31,32,33,34</u>	T <u>162 N</u>	R <u>102 W</u>
Sec. <u>3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10</u>	T <u>161 N</u>	R <u>102 W</u>
Sec. <u>15,16,17</u>	T _____	R _____
Sec. _____	T _____	R _____

8) Size of Hole	Amount of Charge	Depth	Shots Per Mile (sq.mi.)	Number of Miles (sq.mi.)	Identifying Marks Used on Non-metallic Plug			
					Geophysical ID	a. Plugger ID	b. Plugger ID	c. Plugger ID
<u>4 3/4</u>	<u>5#</u>	<u>60 ft</u>	<u>882 SP</u>	<u>approx. 12 sq mi</u>	<u>REL</u>	<u>REL</u>	<u>REL</u>	<u>REL</u>

9) a. Proposed hole drilling and plugging procedure.
or shale
 10) Enclose a Map with proposed line on it.

SIGNED Allen Rein TITLE President DATE 9/25/97

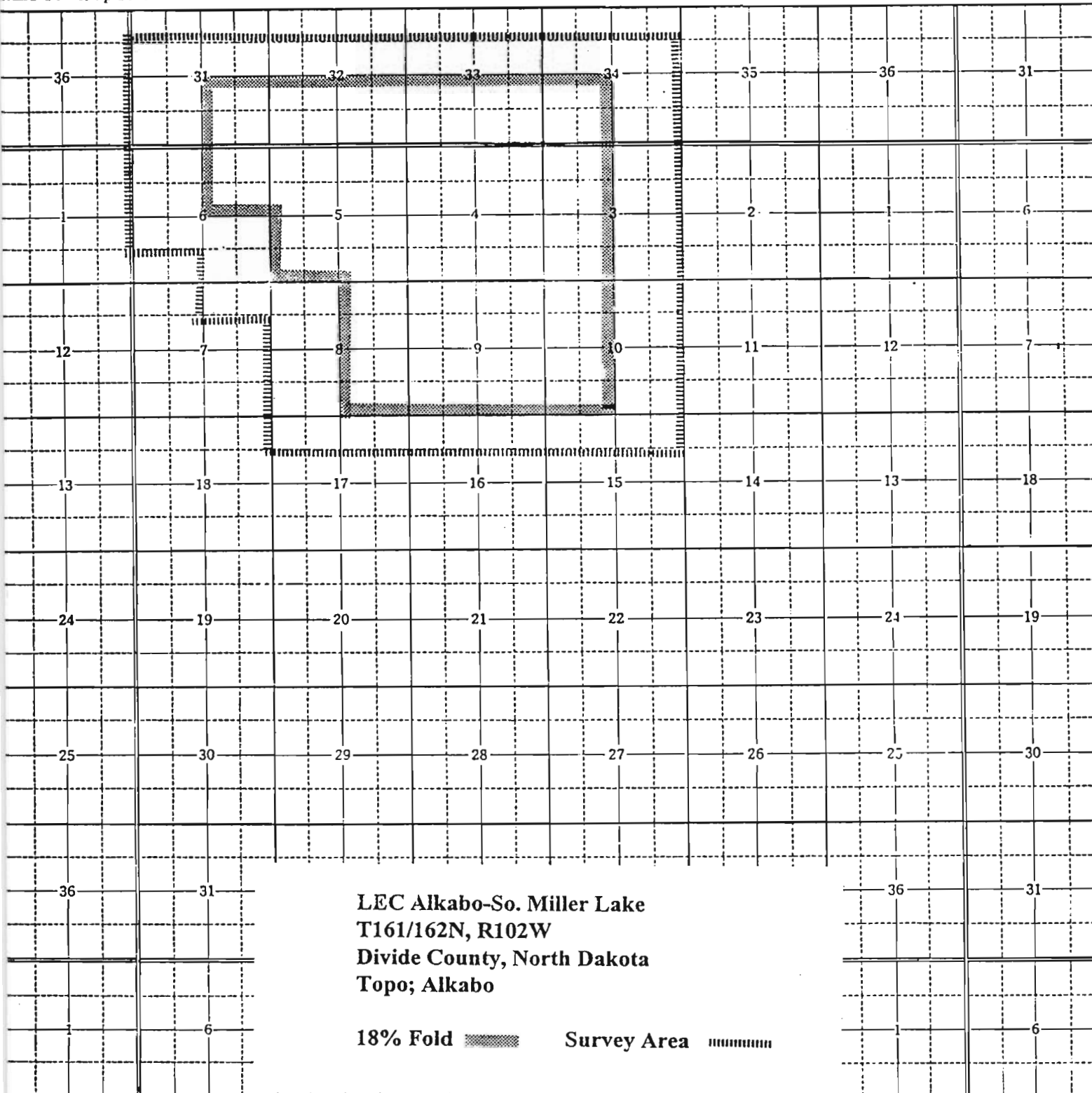
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PERMIT NO. 97-0010 DATE 9/29/97
 APPROVAL DATE 9/29/97
 APPROVED BY DAVID C. HANDEL
 Geophysical Regulations Supervisor
 Approvals sent 1 David C. Handel 9/29/97



CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL IF ANY:

Township....., Range....., County..... State.....

land Township Plat



LEC Alkabo-So. Miller Lake
T161/162N, R102W
Divide County, North Dakota
Topo; Alkabo

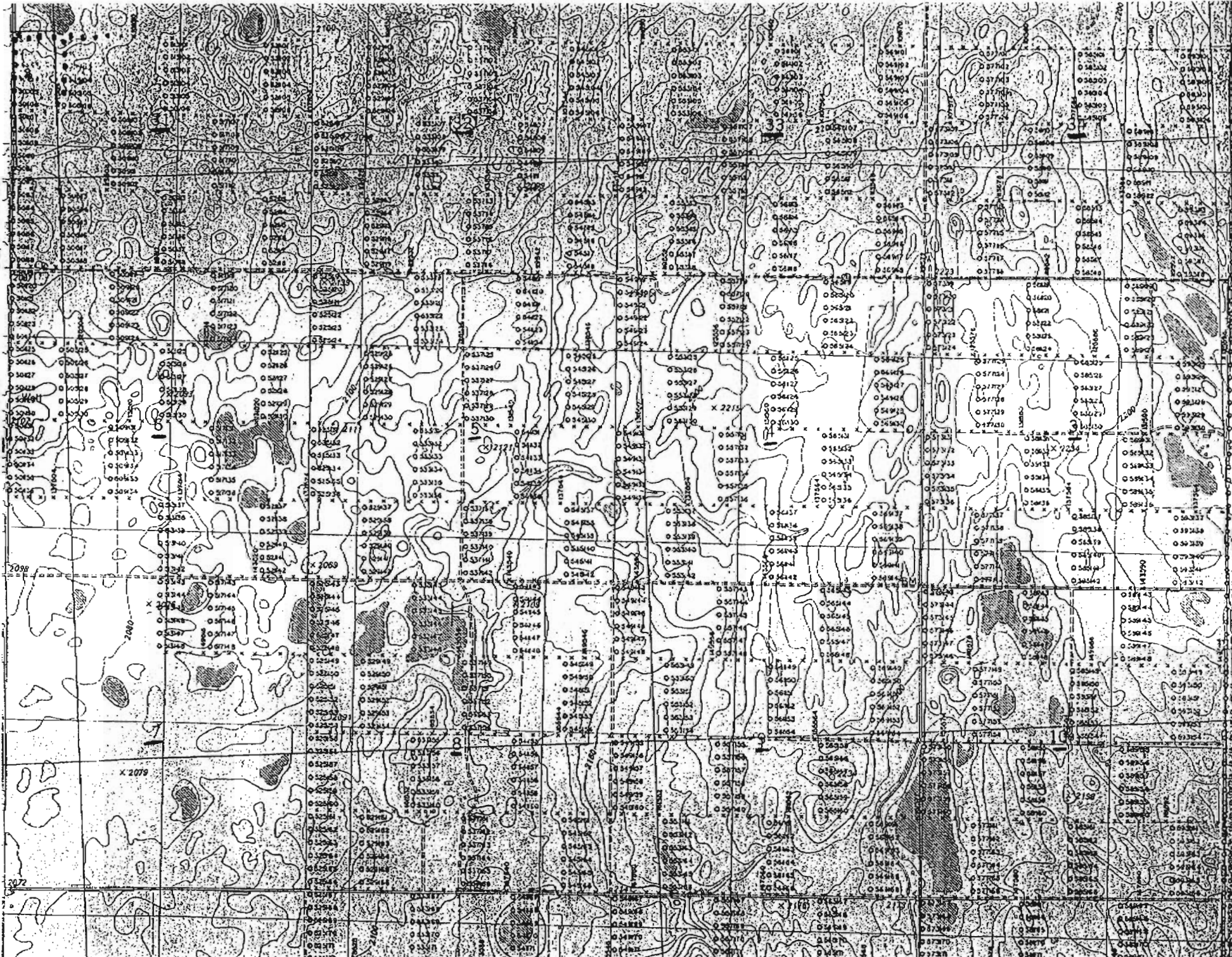
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R 102 W

NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

OIL AND GAS DIVISION

Wesley D. Norton
DIRECTOR

F.E. Wilborn
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

September 29, 1997

The Honorable Shirley Peterman
Divide County Register of Deeds
P.O. Box 49
Crosby, ND 58730

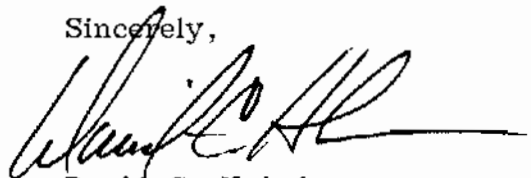
RE: Geophysical Exploration
Permit #97-0010 and 97-0011

Dear Ms. Peterman:

Pursuant to Section 38-08.1-04.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, please be advised that Reliable Exploration Inc. was issued the above captioned permit on September 29, 1997 and will remain in effect for a period of one year.

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,



David C. Hvinden
Geophysical Regulation Supervisor

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