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# Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc.

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November 11, 1975

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission State Land Office Building Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: Application to Commingle
Pictured Cliff and Dakota Zone

Tribal C 10-7

Tapacito Pictured Cliff Field

Basin Dakota Field SE/4 Sec. 7-T26N-R3W

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc. hereby makes application for a hearing, at the earliest possible date, to commingle the Pictured Cliff and Dakota zones in the Tribal C 10-7 well located in the SE/4, Sec. 7-T26N-R3W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

In support of this application we are sending to you a copy of our request to the U. S. Geological Survey for permission to commingle which outlines our position and method of allocation. Also enclosed is a copy of the U. S. Geological Survey's approval dated October 29, 1975, with their approval subject to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission's approval. It is our understanding the U. S. Geological Survey has already forwarded to you several copies of our request to them after they had reviewed and approved our request.

Yours very truly,

CONSOLIDATED OIL & GAS, INC.

Floyd E. Ellison, Jr.

Area Production Manager

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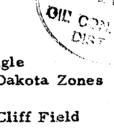
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NEW MEXICO OIL CONS. COMM. APPROVAL\*See Instructions on Reverse Side

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October 20, 1975

U. S. Department of the Interior Geological Survey Box 1809 Durango, Colorado 81301



Re: Request to Commingle Pictured Cliff and Dakota Zones Tribal C 10-7 Tapacito Pictured Cliff Field Basin Dakota Field SE/4 Sec. 7-T26N-R3W Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Consolidated Oil & Gas, Inc. is requesting permission to commingle the Pictured Cliff and Dakota Zones in the Tribal C 10-7 well and to allocate gas production 39.8% and 60.2% respectively, based on an evaluation of reserves remaining from August 1, 1975 to an abandonment pressure of 50 psig. All oil production would be credited to the Dakota.

Downhole communications of the Pictured Cliff and Dakota zones recently occurred caused by a hole in the Dakota production tubing opposite the Pictured Cliff perforations. Corrective action is, therefore, necessary either by repairing the hole in the tubing, setting a blanking plug in the Dakota tubing below the hole to block off production from the Dakota, or by obtaining permission to commingle the two zones and allocate production.

We anticipate the Dakota tubing to be sanded in above the permanent packer with frac sand based upon our experience with similarly completed wells in the area. Repair of the hole will require moving in a workover unit, killing both zones, freepointing and cutting off the tubing above the sand, electronically inspecting the tubing for additional potential holes, running a tubing patch and/or washing over and recovering the tubing stub, and returning the well to production as a dual producer. The estimated cost to repair

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the situation by running a tubing patch is \$17,600 if no problems are encountered, whereas, correcting the problem by washing over and recovering the tubing stub would add an estimated \$6,000 to the cost - again assuming no problems are encountered. As the Dakota zone has not produced much gas since 1971 due to problems with the Dakota tubing loading up with fluid (4902 Mcf - 1972, zero - 1973, 3526 Mcf - 1974, and 7841 Mcf for 7 months of 1975), it is extremely doubtful that Consolidated would choose to repair the hole in the tubing if commingling is not approved. With little to no chance of a payout from a zone which would load up and produce little gas, we would, instead set a blanking plug in the Dakota tubing below the hole to effectively isolate the two zones as required by law and produce as a single zone Pictured Cliff well.

The E/2 of Sec. 7-T26N-R3W is covered by one base lease from the Jicarilla Apache Tribe. Since the working interest owners in the Pictured Cliff and Dakota zones are the same and the royalty interest is the same, both royalty and working interests are protected no matter how the production is divided. Thus, from a practical standpoint, the only valid reason for division of production is to properly allocate the production to both zones for bookkeeping purposes. This allocation, we feel, can be done in the following manner.

When production decline curves can not be used with any degree of accurary due to allowables, changing line pressure, etc., disrupting production performance -- as is the case for the Tribal C 10-7 well, one of the more acceptable engineering methods to determine gas reserves is to plot a well's static bottomhole pressure, corrected for compressibility, against the well's cumulative production. Plotting of these points should result in a straight line on coordinate paper if the reservoir is allowed to build to its absolute static condition and the proper compressibility (Z) factor is used. This we have done for both the Pictured Cliff and Dakota zones in the Tribal C 10-7using the yearly wellhead shut-in pressures reported to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission corrected for compressibility to bottomhole conditions with the aid of a Garrett Computing Systems program. As Graphs I and II demonstrate, a good straight line fit can be made to both the Pictured Cliff points and the Dakota points when certain explainable anomalous points are excluded. Using the line fits shown on Graphs I and II and projecting to an abandonment economic limit of 50 psig, the projected ultimate production for the Pictured Cliff is 720,000 Mcf and the projected ultimate production.

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for the Dakota is 600,000 Mcf. Based on these projections, the remaining reserves from August 1, 1975 for the Pictured Cliff are 149,128 Mcf and 225,145 Mcf for the Dakota, or 39.8% and 60.2%, respectively, of the total remaining reserves (See attached Table I.)

Although the allocation percentages from the graphs may appear to be giving the Dakota zone more than its fair share based on recent production history, we feel the percentage may be a reasonable indication of how the well will produce when commingled. Until fluid began loading off the Dakota zone in 1971, both zones had similar cumulatives and deliverabilities. By commingling the well and producing both zones up the tubing, the additional Pictured Cliff gas will increase the producing GOR similar to gas lifting and keep the fluid unloaded off the Dakota. This should allow the Dakota to produce at a higher rate than the Pictured Cliff as it attempts to make up for low production over the last four years. The increased producing capability of the well from commingling is illustrated by the eight-day average 6/9-16/75 when the Pictured Cliff produced 150 Mcf per day against 171# line pressure, whereas after communications occurred, an eight-day average 8/9-16/75 showed 175 Mcf per day up the tubing, keeping the Dakota unloaded, against a 192# line pressure. The production rate difference would have been considerably more had the line pressures been the same.

We feel commingling is in the best interest of everyone concerned since the common royalty and working interest ownership protects everyone concerned and gas and oil from the Dakota, which would otherwise be left unrecovered, can be produced with help from the Pictured Cliff. We, therefore, request approval to commingle production from the Pictured Cliff and Dakota zones in the Tribal C 10-7 and allocate 39.8% of the gas production to the Pictured Cliff zone and 60.2% of the gas and all oil production to the Dakota zone.

Yours very truly,

CONSOLIDATED OIL & GAS, INC.

Floyd E. Ellison, Jr. Area Production Manager

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