#### DISTRICT I

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**Burlington Resources Oil and Gas** 

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6429

### APPLICATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING

Form C-107-A New 3-12-96

APPROVAL PROCESS :

\_X\_ Administrative \_\_\_Hearing

**EXISTING WELLBORE** 

X\_ YES \_\_ NO

San Juan 27-5 Unit	#52 M-04-27N		Rio Arriba
)250	Well No. Unit Ltr Sec - To	• -	County nit Lease Types: (check 1 or more)
GRID NO. <u>14538</u> Property Code	7454 API NO30-		C, Fee
The following facts are submitted in support of downhole commingling:	Upper Zone	Intermediate Zone	Lower Zone
Pool Name and     Pool Code	Tapacito Pictured Cliffs-85920	Live Cartesian	Blanco Mesaverde - 72319
Top and Bottom of Pay Section (Perforations)	3464'-3510'		5220'-5722'
3. Type of production (Oil or Gas)	Gas	DECENTER	Gas
Method of Production     (Flowing or Artificial Lift)	Flowing	M JUN 3 1983 B	Flowing
5. Bottomhole Pressure Oil Zones - Artificial Lift: Estimated Current	(Current) a. 315 psi (see attachment)	OIL CON. DIV.	a. 476 psi (see attachment)
Gas & Oil - Flowing:     Measured Current All Gas Zones: Estimated Original	(Original) b. 1227psi (see attachment)	DIST. 3	b. 1294 psi (see attachment)
6. Oil Gravity (°API) or Gas BTU Content	BTU 1168		BTU 1198
7. Producing or Shut-In?	Producing		Producing
Production Marginal? (yes or no)	Yes		Yes
* If Shut-In and oil/gas/water rates of last production	Date: N/A Rates:		Date: N/A Rates:
Note: For new zones with no production history, applicant shall be required to attach production estimates and supporting data	Nates.		N4455.
* If Producing, give data and oil/gas/water water of recent test (within 60 days)	Date: 6/98 Rates: 7 mcfd 0 bopd		Date: 6/98 Rates: 77 mcfd 0.1 bopd
8. Fixed Percentage Allocation Formula -% for each zone (total of %'s to equal 100%)	Will be supplied upon completion.		Will be supplied upon completion.
<ol> <li>If allocation formula is based submit attachments with support of the submit attachments with support of the submit attachments with support of the submit attachment of the submit att</li></ol>	l royalty interests identical in all ling, and royalty interests been given written notice of the prop	l commingled zones? notified by certified mail? osed downhole commingling?	Yes <u>X_No</u> _Yes <u>X_No</u> _X_YesNo
2. Are all produced fluids from all			
3. Will the value of production be			
<ol> <li>If this well is on, or communiti Bureau of Land Management ha</li> </ol>	ized with, state or federal land is been notified in writing of this	s, either the Commissioner of applicationXYes N	Public Lands or the United St o
5. NMOCD Reference Cases for R	ule 303(D) Exceptions: ORDER	NO(S). <u>R-10694</u>	
6. ATTACHMENTS:  * C-102 for each zone  * Production curve for  * For zones with no pre  * Data to support alloc  * Notification list of all	to be commingled showing its so each zone for at least one year oduction history, estimated pro- cation method or formula. offset operators.	pacing unit and acreage dedically (if not available, attach expladuction rates and supporting disperses for uncommon interest	ation. nation.) ata.
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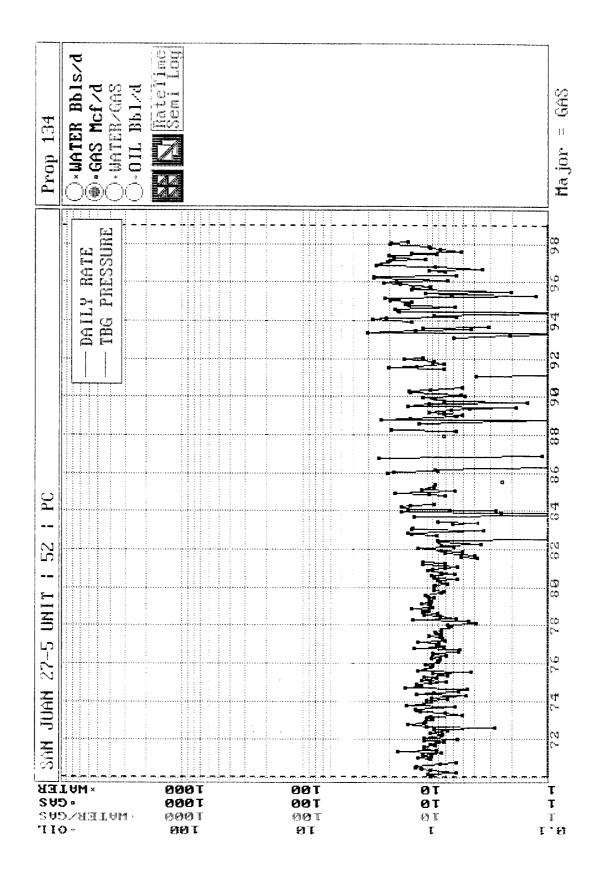
Section A.			Date	MAY 10	), 1960
Operator EL PASO NATURAL GAS COME Well No. 52(PM) Unit Letter M S Located 800 Feet From SC County RIO ARRIBA G. L. Elev Name of Producing Formation MESA VERDS 1. Is the Operator the only owner in the ded Yes No X 2. If the answer to question one is "no", agreement or otherwise? Yes X Unit Agreement	Section 1 800TH Line, 80 7 Action 6619  E AND PICTURED dicated acreage outly, have the interest.	O Ded CLIFFS Poolined on the plants of all the contractions.	nship 27- Feet From icated Acreage I <b>BLANCO_MV</b> at below?	N Range WEST  320.23  Lapato  Consolidated to	L 160 PC Epi
3. If the answer to question two is "no", i	list all the owners	and their resp	Land Descrip		
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Section B.	Note: All dis	tanoac muat	o from outer t	oundaries of	section.
This is to certify that the information in Section A above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.				<del>-</del> .	-
El Paso Natural Gas Company (Operator)  (Representative)  Box 990					1
(Address) Farmington, New Mexico	*******	SEC	etion 4	·	
	SF C	<b>79</b> 393			
: THIS PLAT IS RE-ISSUED TO SHOW CORRECTED LEASE INFORMATION. 5/25/60		·		· <del>···</del> · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
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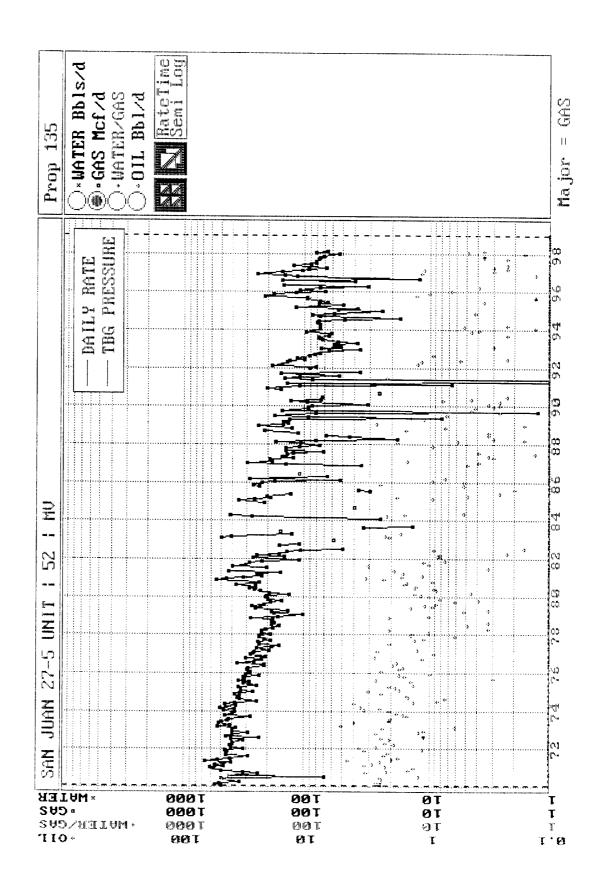
This is to certify that the above plat was prepared from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same are true in the correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Seal)

Daniel D. Fillian Profession Prof

Farmington, New Mexico.





### San Juan 27-5 Unit #52 Bottom Hole Pressures Flowing and Static BHP

### **Cullender and Smith Method**

Version 1.0 1/14/98

Pictured Cliffs	Mesa Verde
PC-Current	MV-Current
GAS GRAVITY 0.67 COND. OR MISC. (C/M) C %N2 0.66 %CO2 0.62 %H2S 0 DIAMETER (IN) 7.625 DEPTH (FT) 3487 SURFACE TEMPERATURE (DEG F) 60 BOTTOMHOLE TEMPERATURE (DEG F) 103 FLOWRATE (MCFPD) 0 SURFACE PRESSURE (PSIA) 289 BOTTOMHOLE PRESSURE (PSIA) 314.7	GAS GRAVITY 0.691 COND. OR MISC. (C/M) C %N2 0.21 %CO2 1.03 %H2S 0 DIAMETER (IN) 2.375 DEPTH (FT) 5471 SURFACE TEMPERATURE (DEG F) 60 BOTTOMHOLE TEMPERATURE (DEG F) 149 FLOWRATE (MCFPD) 0 SURFACE PRESSURE (PSIA) 416  BOTTOMHOLE PRESSURE (PSIA) 476.1
PC-Original	MV-Original
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01/07/63		450000	772.0				
06/10/64		725000	719.0				
01/04/65		777000	693.0				
10/31/66		1120000	643.0				
05/26/67		1202000	649.0				
05/20/68		1328000	673.0				
05/23/69		1480015	595.0				
06/19/70		1665843	558.0				
04/27/71		1793061	518.0				
05/15/72		1965247	517.0				
07/05/73		2138273	469.0				
04/19/74		2249902	437.0				
06/25/76		2498563	476.0				
08/02/78		2677976	463.0				
06/04/80		2814358	513.0				
08/31/81		2939149	433.0				
05/31/82		2996762	460.0				
05/02/84		3071112	486.0				
04/17/86		3155781	474.0				
05/10/89		3273077	472.0				
07/30/91		3339509	480.0				
08/16/91		3341336	492.0				
06/01/93		3399478	447.0	- 1		0	·
04101198		3547449	416.0	Current	Estimated	from P/2	2 data

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01/04/65	41000	571.0				
05/23/66	45000	548.0				
05/26/67	48000	528.0				
05/20/68	50000	546.0				
07/21/70	60996	450.0				
04/27/71	63294	411.0				
05/15/72	67075	397.0				
04/19/74	73562	337.0				
02/13/84	102420	347.0				
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11/03/86	108618	387.0				
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# Package Preparation Volume Data

SAN JUAN 27-5 UNIT DPNo: 53383A 52 PC Form: **Supt**: 60 KEN RAYBON FF: 335 LARY BYARS MS: 378 GARY NELSON Pipeline: WFS Plunger: No Dual: Yes Compressor: No Ownership (No Trust) **Prior Year Current Year** <u>Gas</u> <u>Oil</u> <u>Days</u> **Days** <u>On</u> <u>On</u> **BOPM BOPM** GWI: 68.0078% 64.8149% MCF/M MCF/M 57.2658% 54.8288% GNI: 654 0.0 31 617 0.0 31 Jan Feb 631 0.0 28 453 0.0 28 Volumes Mar 325 0.0 31 218 0.0 31 (Days On) MCFD **BOPD** Apr 585 0.0 30 0 0.0 30 7 Day Avg 0 0.0 May 645 0.0 31 0 0.0 0 30 Day Avg 0 7 0.0 Jun 263 0.0 30 0.0 0 60 Day Avg 7 0.0 Jul 415 0.0 31 0 0.0 3 Mo Avg 14 0.0 164 0.0 31 0 0.0 0 Aug 0 0.0 246 0.0 30 0.0 6 Mo Avg 14 Sept 0 12 MoAvg 13 0.0 Oct 294 0.0 25 0 0.0 0 300 0.0 30 0 0.0 0 Nov **Volumes** Dec 626 0.0 31 0 0.0 0

5,148

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1,288

**Exit Volumes Data** 

6/1/98

(Days in Month)

30 Day Avg

60 Day Avg

3 Mo Avg

6 Mo Avg

12 Mo Avg

MCFD

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**BOPD** 

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<b>GNI:</b> 56.8	126%	54.6845%	Jan	4,702	9.0	31	2,344	15.0	31
			Feb	3,241	34.0	28	1,987	11.0	28
Volumes			Mar	2,822	7.0	31	1,621	11.0	31
(Days On)	MCF	D BOPD	Apr	2,003	9.0	30	0	0.0	30
7 Day Avg	0	0.0	May	3,835	7.0	31	0	0.0	0
30 Day Avg	77	0.1	Jun	2,736	0.0	30	0	0.0	0
60 Day Avg	64	0.2	Jul	2,431	0.0	31	0	0.0	0
3 Mo Avg	66	0.4	Aug	2,480	1.0	31	0	0.0	0
6 Mo Avg	67	0.4	Sept	2,359	7.0	30	0	0.0	0
12 MoAvg	77	0.2	Oct	2,284	11.0	27	0	0.0	0
			Nov	2,112	11.0	30	0	0.0	0
Volumes			Dec	1,568	5.0	31	0	0.0	0
(Days in Month)	MCF	D BOPD	Total	32,573	101.0		5,952	37.0	
30 Day Avg	77	0.1	1 Quai	32,373	101.0		0,302	37.0	
60 Day Avg	64	0.2					***		
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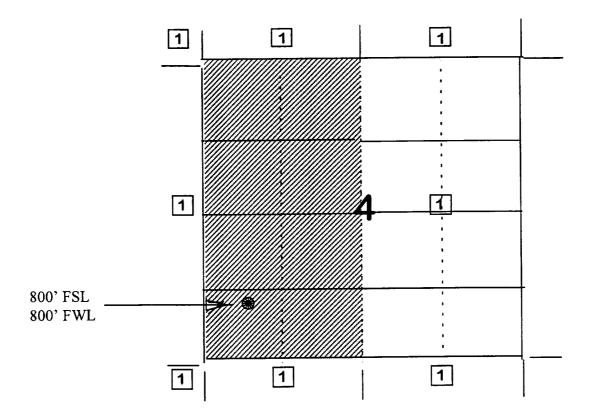
# BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL AND GAS COMPANY

San Juan 27-5 Unit #52

# Offset Operator/Owner Plat

# Pictured Cliffs / Mesaverde Formations Commingle Well

Township 27 North, Range 5 West



1) Burlington Resources

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San Juan 27-5 Unit #52 Sec. 4, T27N, R5W Pictured Cliffs/Mesaverde

### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 11626 ORDER NO. R-10694

APPLICATION OF BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING "REFERENCE CASE" FOR ITS SAN JUAN 27-5 UNIT PURSUANT TO DIVISION RULE 303.E AND THE ADOPTION OF SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE RULES THEREFOR. SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on October 17 and November 7, 1996, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiners David R. Catanach and Michael E. Stogner, respectively.

NOW, on this 12th day of November, 1996, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) The applicant, Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company (Burlington), pursuant to the provisions of Division Rule 303.E., seeks to establish a downhole commingling "reference case" to provide exceptions for (a) marginal economic criteria, (b) pressure criteria, (c) allocation formulas and (d) modification of notification rules on a unit-wide basis for downhole commingling of Dakota, Mesaverde, Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs gas production within existing or future drilled wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) Division Rule No. 303.E., amended by Order No. R-10470-A, currently states:

"If sufficient data exists on a lease, pool, formation, geographic area, etc., so as to render it unnecessary to repeatedly provide such data on Form C-107-A, an operator may except any of the various criteria required under Paragraph 303.D. of this rule by establishing a "reference case". The Division, upon its own motion, or by application from an operator, may establish "reference cases" either administratively or by hearing. Upon Division approval of such "reference cases" for specific criteria, subsequent applications to downhole commingle (Form C-107-A) will be required only to cite the Division order number which established such exceptions and shall not be required to submit data for those criteria."

- (4) The applicant is the current operator of the San Juan 27-5 Unit which encompasses some 23,043 acres in Township 27 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (5) Within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, the applicant currently operates one hundred and one (101) Basin-Dakota Gas Pool wells, one hundred and five (105) Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool wells, eighty-seven (87) South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs and Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool wells, and four (4) Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool wells.
  - (6) According to its evidence and testimony, Burlington seeks to:
  - a) establish a "reference case" for marginal economic criteria in the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations whereby these formations and/or pools may be identified as "marginal" on Form C-107-A's subsequently filed for wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit. The applicant further proposes that the data provided in the immediate case serve as supplemental data or confirmation that these formations and/or pools should be classified as "marginal";
  - b) establish a "reference case" for pressure criteria in the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations whereby the Division may utilize data provided in the immediate case to verify the pressure data provided on Form C-107-A's subsequently filed for wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit;

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- c) establish a "reference case" whereby the Division utilizes the data presented in the immediate case to endorse or approve certain methods of allocating production whereby the applicant need not submit additional data or justification when proposing a certain method of allocating production on Form C-107-A's subsequently filed for wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit; and,
- d) establish a "reference case" or an administrative procedure for authorizing the downhole commingling of existing or future drilled wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit without additional notice to each affected interest owner as required by Division Rule No. 303.D.
- (7) In support of its request to except marginal economic criteria, the applicant presented geologic and engineering evidence and testimony which indicates that within the San Juan 27-5 Unit:
  - a) the structure and thickness of the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations are very consistent;
  - b) the average recoverable Dakota and Pictured Cliffs gas reserves underlying an undeveloped drill block are approximately 583 MMCFG and 426 MMCFG, respectively;
  - c) the average initial producing rate for a newly drilled or recompleted Dakota and Pictured Cliffs gas well is approximately 393 MCFGD and 63 MCFGD, respectively; and,
  - d) the estimated ultimate gas recoveries and initial producing rates from the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations are insufficient to justify drilling stand alone wells and/or dually completed wells to recover such gas reserves.
- (8) The evidence and testimony presented by the applicant indicates that the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations within the San Juan 27-5 Unit should be properly classified as "marginal".
- (9) In support of its request to except pressure criteria within the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, the applicant presented engineering evidence and testimony which indicates that:

- a) the average shut-in bottomhole pressure within the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations at the time of initial development were approximately 3,141 psi and 1,118 psi, respectively; and.
- b) the average current shut-in bottomhole pressure within the Dakota and Pictured Cliffs formations are approximately 1.032 psi and 441 psi, respectively.
- (10) There is sufficient pressure data available within the San Juan 27-5 Unit so as to except pressure criteria as proposed by the applicant.
- (11) The applicant testified that various allocation methods will be utilized for downhole commingled wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit depending on the circumstances. Some of the methods and circumstances are described as follows:
  - a) the subtraction method will likely be utilized in those instances involving the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and in those instances where a zone with a well established decline rate is commingled with a newly completed zone;
  - b) a fixed allocation formula will be utilized in those instances where production history for both zones is available, or in those instances where newly completed zones are tested and stabilized flow rates obtained.
- (12) The allocation methods proposed by the applicant are routinely utilized by industry and approved by the Division and therefore the proposal to except allocation formulas should be approved.
- (13) In support of its request to establish a "reference case" or administrative procedure for providing notice within the San Juan 27-5 Unit the applicant presented evidence and testimony which indicates that:
  - a) the interest ownership between two zones within a given wellbore in the San Juan 27-5 Unit is generally not common;
  - b) pursuant to Division Rule No. 303.D., applicant is currently required to notify all interest owners within the San Juan 27-5 Unit every time a Form C-107-A is submitted to the Division. There is a considerable number of such interest owners within the unit;

- c) providing notice to each interest owner within the San Juan 27-5 Unit of subsequent downhole comminglings is unnecessary and is an excessive burden on the applicant;
- d) the downhole commingling of wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit Area will benefit working, royalty, and overriding royalty interest owners. In addition, the downhole commingling of wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit should not violate the correlative rights of any interest owner:
- e) no interest owner appeared at the hearing in opposition to the establishment of a "reference case" or administrative procedure for notice.
- (14) An administrative procedure should be established within the San Juan 27-5 Unit for obtaining approval for subsequent downhole commingled wells without notice to Unit interest owners, provided however that, all other provisions contained within Division Rule No. 303.C. are complied with.
- (15) Approval of the proposed "reference cases" for marginal economic criteria, pressure criteria, allocation formulas and notice will lessen the burden on the applicant insofar as providing the data required pursuant to Division Rule No. 303.D. and Form C-107-A, will provide the applicant a streamlined method for obtaining downhole commingling approvals within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, and will not violate correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The application of Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company to establish a "reference case" for (a) marginal economic criteria, (b) pressure criteria, (c) allocation formulas and (d) modification of notification rules on a unit-wide basis for downhole commingling of Dakota, Mesaverde, Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs gas production within existing or future drilled wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, San Juan County, New Mexico, is hereby approved.

- (2) Upon filing of Division Form No. C-107-A's for wells subsequently downhole commingled within the San Juan 27-5 Unit Area, the applicant shall not be required to submit supporting data to justify the classification of the Pictured Cliffs and Dakota formations as "marginal", supporting data to verify the Pictured Cliffs and Dakota pressure information provided, and support or justification for utilizing a given method or formula for allocation of production, provided however, in the event any of the data described above appearing on Form C-107-A appears to be beyond the data range provided in this case, the Division may require the submittal of additional supporting data.
- (3) In order to obtain Division authorization to downhole commingle wells within the San Juan 27-5 Unit, the applicant shall file a Form C-107-A with the Santa Fe and Aztec Offices of the Division. Such application shall contain all the information required under Rule No. 303.C. of the Division Rules and Regulations, provided however that the applicant shall not be required to provide notice to all interest owners within the San Juan 27-5 Unit of such proposed commingling.
- (4) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LeMAY
Director