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#### ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



POST OFFICE BOX 2088
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO 87504
(505) 827-5800



**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-973** 

Meridian Oil, Inc. P.O. Box 4289

OIL CON. DIV.

Farmington, NM 87499-4289 Dist. 3

Attention: Arden L. Walker, Jr.

Zachry Well No.2

Unit M. Betton 33, Township 29 North, Range 10 West, NMPM,

San Juan County, New Mexico.

Aztec-Pictured Cliffs and Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pools

Dear Mr. Walker:

Reference is made to your recent application for an exception to Rule 303-A of the Division Rules and Regulations to permit the subject well to commingle production from both pools in the wellbore.

It appearing that the subject well qualifies for approval for such exception pursuant to the provisions of Rule 303-C, and that reservoir damage or waste will not result from such downhole commingling, and correlative rights will not be violated thereby, you are hereby authorized to commingle the production as described above and any Division Order which authorized the dual completion and required separation of the two zones is hereby placed in abeyance.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 303-C-4., total commingled oil production from the subject well shall not exceed 20 barrels per day, and total water production shall not exceed 40 barrels per day. The maximum amount of gas which may be produced daily from the well shall be determined by Division Rules and Regulations or by the gas allowable for each respective prorated pool as printed in the Division's San Juan Basin Gas Proration Schedule.

Assignment of allowable to the well and allocation of production from the well shall be in accordance with the allocation formula shown on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof. Any condensate production will be allocated entirely to the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs interval.

The operator is responsible for reporting the monthly gas production from the subject well to the Division utilizing the allocation formula adopted herein. An annual report shall be submitted by the operator to both the Aztec and Santa Fe office of the Division showing the complete computations for the previous twelve-month period.

FURTHER: The operator shall notify the Aztec District Office of the Division upon implementation of the commingling process.

Pursuant to Rule 303-C-5, the commingling authority granted by the order may be rescinded by the Division Director if, in his opinion, conservation is not being best served by such commingling.

Approved at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 28th day of January, 1994.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMA

Director

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WJL/DRC/amg

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

# ZACHRY #2

# MONTHLY GAS PRODUCTION ALLOCATION FORMULA

#### **GENERAL EQUATION**

Qt = Qftc + Qpc

WHERE: Qt

Qt =

TOTAL MONTHLY PRODUCTION (MCF/MONTH)

Qftc =

FRUITLAND COAL (ftc) MONTHLY PRODUCTION

Qpc =

PICTURED CLIFFS (pc) MONTHLY PRODUCTION (MCF/MONTH)

REARRANGING THE EQUATION TO SOLVE FOR Offic:

Qftc = Qt - Qpc

ANY PRODUCTION RATE OVER WHAT IS CALCULATED FOR THE PICTURED CLIFFS (PC) USING THE APPLIED FORMULA IS FRUITLAND COAL (FTC) PRODUCTION.

PICTURED CLIFFS (PC) FORMATION PRODUCTION FORMULA IS:

 $Qpc = Qpci X e^{-(Dpc) X (t)}$ 

WHERE:

Qpci =

INITIAL PC MONTHLY FLOW RATE (DETERMINED FROM LAST MONTH OF PC

ONLY PRODUCTION, PRIOR TO RECOMPLETION & COMMINGLE)

Dpc =

PICTURED CLIFFS MONTHLY DECLINE RATE CALCULATED FROM DECLINE

**CURVE AND MATERIAL BALANCE ANALYSIS:** 

Dpc = (0.00271/M)

THUS:

Qftc =

Qt - Qpci X e^{-(0.00271) X (t)}

WHERE:

(t) IS IN MONTHS

REFERENCE: Thompson, R. S., and Wright, J. D., "Oil Property Evaluation", pages 5-2, 5-3, 5-4.

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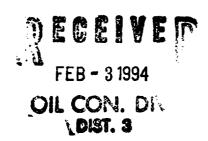
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-966

Union Oil Company of California 3300 North Butler Avenue, Suite 200 Farmington, NM 87401

Attention: Glen O. Papp

Rincon Unit Well No. 174M
Unit F, Section 19, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, NMPM,
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Gas Pools

Dear Mr. Papp:

Reference is made to your recent application for an exception to Rule 303-A of the Division Rules and Regulations to permit the subject well to commingle production from both pools in the wellbore.

It appearing that the subject well qualifies for approval for such exception pursuant to the provisions of Rule 303-C, and that reservoir damage or waste will not result from such downhole commingling, and correlative rights will not be violated thereby, you are hereby authorized to commingle the production as described above and any Division Order which authorized the dual completion and required separation of the two zones is hereby placed in abeyance.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 303-C-4., total commingled oil production from the subject well shall not exceed 50 barrels per day, and total water production shall not exceed 100 barrels per day. The maximum amount of gas which may be produced daily from the well shall be determined by Division Rules and Regulations or by the gas allowable for each respective prorated pool as printed in the Division's San Juan Basin Gas Proration Schedule.

Assignment of allowable to the well and allocation of production from the well shall be on the following basis:

Blanco-Mesaverde Pool	Oil	0%	Gas	41%
Basin-Dakota Pool	Oil	100%	Gas	59%

FURTHER: The operator shall notify the Aztec District Office of the Division upon implementation of the commingling process.

Pursuant to Rule 303-C-5, the commingling authority granted by the order may be rescinded by the Division Director if, in his opinion, conservation is not being best served by such commingling.

Approved at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 31st day of January, 1994.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMA

Director

SEAL

WJL/DRC/amg

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington



## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

# OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410 (505) 334-6178

Date	e: 1-21-94 attn: Den Stone	
P.O.	Conservation Division . Box 2088 ta Fe, NM 87504-2088	
RE:	Proposed MC Proposed DHC Proposed NSL Proposed SWD Proposed WFX Proposed DD Proposed DD	<u> </u>
Gent	tlemen:	
for	the Ascidians Oil Jaco Tack # 2—OPERATOR LEASE & WELL NO.  -35-29N-/OW and my recommendations are as foll  Approve	ows:
Your	rs truly,	

#### MERIDIAN OIL

December 29, 1993

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Mr. Bill LeMay P. O. Box 2088 310 Oid Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

RE:

Zachry #2

Unit N, Section 35, T29N, R10W San Juan County, New Mexico Downhole Commingling Request



Dear Mr. LeMay:

Meridian Oil Inc. is applying for an administrative downhole commingling order for the referenced well in the Pictured Cliffs and the Basin Fruitland Coal fields. The ownership of the zones to be commingled is common. The only offset operator to this well is Conoco, Inc. The Bureau of Land Management and the above mentioned operator have received notification of this downhole commingle.

The Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs wells producing in this area operated by Meridian and others are marginally productive. Based on offset production in this area, drilling of separate wells and dual completions to produce the Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs are not economically justified. The only economical way to recover the Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs reserves in this drill block is to downhole commingle production from both zones in this well.

The Pictured Cliffs formation is currently completed and marginally productive. It is proposed to set a bridge plug above the Pictured Cliffs, perforate and stimulate the Fruitland Coal, and test its production. The bridge plug will then be removed, and both zones produced through a single string of tubing. The reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste will not be caused by the proposed commingling. Neither producing interval makes oil, and only minimal amounts of similar water are produced in the offset wells. The shut-in pressures for the Pictured Cliffs and Fruitland Coal are <u>282</u> and <u>337</u> psi, respectively.

The allocation of the commingled production will be calculated using the attached allocation formula. This formula is based on offset Pictured Cliffs production performance (material balance), and uses accepted Reservoir Engineering methods to allocate the Pictured Cliffs reserves. This addresses the Fruitland Coal producing characteristics of early life inclining production rates.

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Mr. Bill LeMay Zachry #2 Downhole Commingling Request Page Two

Approval of this commingling application will allow for the prevention of wasted resources and protection of correlative rights. Included with this letter are plats showing ownership of offsetting leases for both the Pictured Cliffs and Fruitland Coal, a copy of letters to the BLM and the offset operator, and an allocation formula.

Sincerely

Arden L. Walker, Jr.

Regional Production Engineer

SBD:tdg Attachments

CC:

Frank T. Chavez - NMOCD/Aztec

Peggy A. Bradfield

Well File

#### MERIDIAN OIL

December 29, 1993

Bureau of Land Management 1235 La Plata Highway Farmington, New Mexico 87401

RE:

Zachry #2

Unit N, Section 35, T29N, R10W San Juan County, New Mexico Downhole Commingling Request

#### Gentlemen:

Meridian Oil, Inc. is in the process of applying for a downhole commingling order for the Zachry #2 well located in Unit N, Section 35, T29N, R10W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico, in the Pictured Cliffs and the Basin Fruitland Coal fields.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of such action. If you have no objections to the proposed commingling order, we would appreciate your signing this letter and returning it to this office.

Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Scott B. Daves
Production Engineer

#### SBD/tdg

The above dow	nhole commin	gling reque	st is hereby	approved:
	Date:		<del></del>	<del></del>

# MERIDIAN OIL

December 29, 1993

Conoco, Inc. 10 Desta Drive Suite 100W Midland, Texas 79705-4500

RE:

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Yours truly,

**Production Engineer** 

#### SBD/tdg

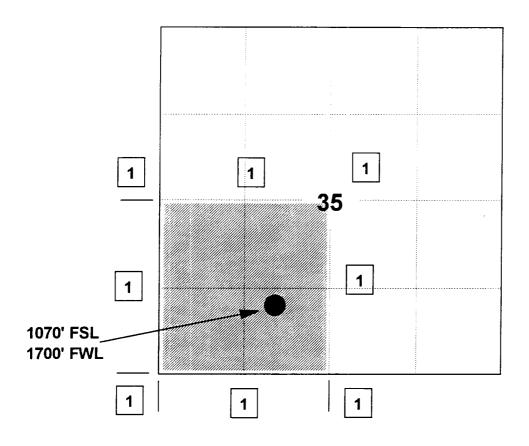
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Date:	

# **MERIDIAN OIL INC**

# ZACHERY #2 OFFSET OPERATOR PLAT

Fruitland Coal \ Pictured Clliffs Comingle Well

Township 29 North, Range 10 West



1) Meridian Oil Inc		 	
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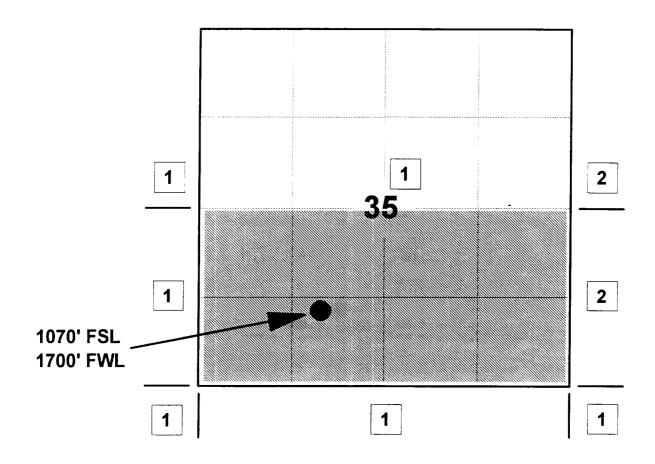
# **MERIDIAN OIL INC**

## **ZACHERY #2**

#### **OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT**

## Fruitland Coal / Pictured Cliffs Commingle Well

Township 29 North, Range 10 West



1) Meridian Oil Inc	
2) Conoco, Inc.	10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W, Midland, TX 79705-4500

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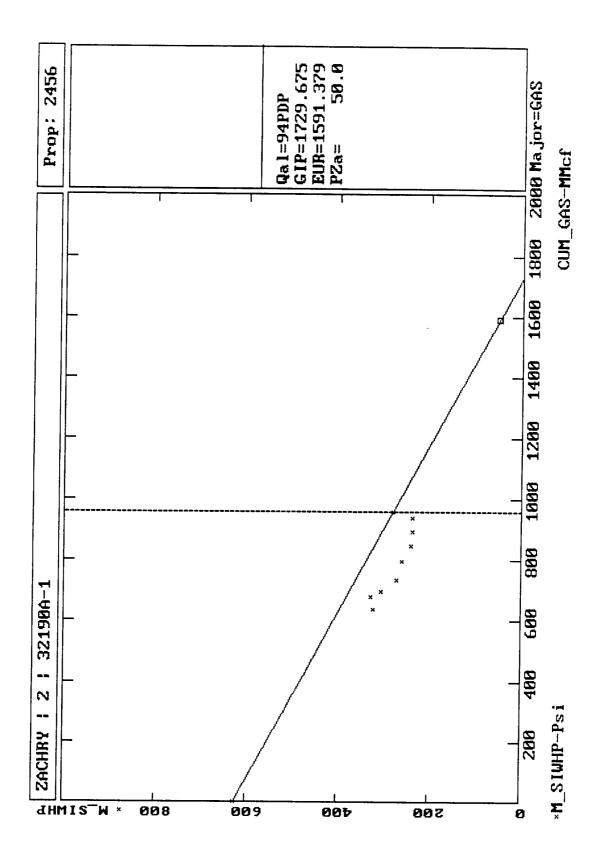
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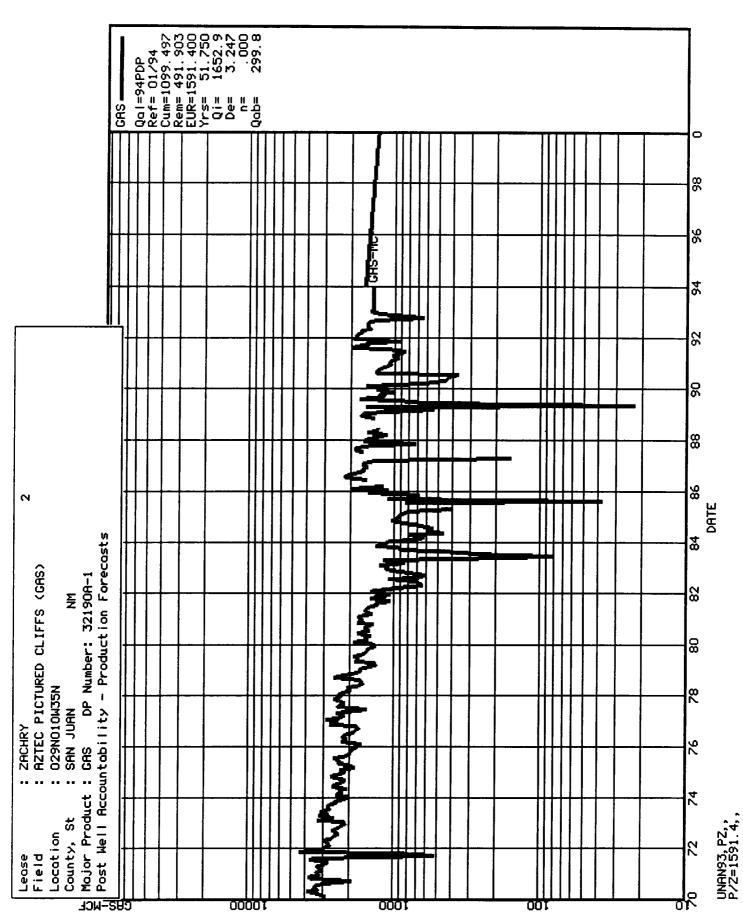
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