

CASE 5118: Application of SHELL  
OIL CO. FOR AN EXTENSION OF ORDER  
NO. R-4289, LEA COUNTY.

CASE No.

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Application,

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BEFORE THE  
NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Wednesday, November 28, 1973

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Shell Oil  
Company for an extension ) Case No. 5118  
of Order No. R-4289, Lea )  
County, New Mexico. )

BEFORE: Richard L. Stamets,  
Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

1 MR. STAMETS: Case 5118.

2 MR. CARR: Case 5118: Application of Shell Oil  
3 Company for an extension of Order No. R-4289, Lea County,  
4 New Mexico.

5 MR. BUELL: Sumner Buell, of Montgomery, Federici,  
6 Andrews, Hannah and Morris, Santa Fe, appearing on behalf  
7 of the applicant.

8 MR. STAMETS: Are there other appearances in the  
9 case?

10 (No response)

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12 ROBERT KRETZLER,  
13 was called as a witness, and after being duly sworn according  
14 to law, testified as follows:

15 DIRECT EXAMINATION

16 BY MR. BUELL:

17 Q Would you state your name, by whom you are employed, in  
18 what capacity, and where?

19 A Robert Kretzler. I live in Midland, Texas, and am  
20 employed by Shell as a senior production engineer.

21 Q Would you give the Examiner a background of your education  
22 and work history, please?

23 A I graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a  
24 bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering in  
25 1953. I have worked in the Permian Basin since then

1 for some twenty years. I started out with Shell in 1960  
2 as a field engineer sitting on wildcats and field  
3 development wells where the work consisted of evaluations.  
4 At one time, Shell engineers were very specialized, and  
5 I worked some five years at what we call a production  
6 geologist position. That work involved evaluating  
7 drilling programs and defining structures and allied work  
8 such as the preparation of discovery applications and  
9 that sort of thing.

10 I spent six or some years working as supervisor of  
11 a group of engineers that drilled development wells.  
12 Then later the group performed the workovers.

13 Q Are you familiar with what Shell seeks in Case 5118?

14 A Yes. Shell seeks to extend Order R-4289 until its  
15 Antelope Ridge Well No. 2 is completed.

16 MR. BUELL: Are the witness's qualifications  
17 acceptable?

18 MR. STAMETS: They are.

19 Q (By Mr. Buell) I refer you to what has been marked for  
20 identification as Applicant's Exhibit One. Would you  
21 please address yourself to Exhibit One and explain what  
22 that shows?

23 A Exhibit One is a location plat of the Antelope Ridge  
24 Unit in Lea County, New Mexico. It covers six sections  
25 in Township 24 South, Range 34 East. There are three

1 zones that are produced, and the two that we are  
2 concerned with in the application are the Morrow and  
3 Devonian. The Morrow producing area is outlined with the  
4 small dashed line, whereas the unit boundary and the  
5 Devonian and participating area is designated by the  
6 solid line.

7 Q The well in question and the offset well, the Unit Wells  
8 Nos. 2 and 4, are located in Section 4, Township 24 South,  
9 Range 34 East; is that correct?

10 A Yes. Shell produces two Devonian wells in the field, and  
11 we have three Morrow completions.

12 Q Referring you to what has been marked as Exhibit Number  
13 Two, would you explain this exhibit and at the same time  
14 perhaps give us a little history of this well that is  
15 of interest in this case?

16 A Exhibit Number Two is a downhole drawing of the dual  
17 Antelope Ridge Well No. 2. It was drilled to the  
18 Ellenberger and tested. It is dually completed in the  
19 Devonian at approximately 14,700 feet, and through the  
20 Morrow perforation at approximately 13,100 feet. The  
21 well has two strings of tubing. The upper string is  
22 set at 11,465 feet, and the lower string is hung at 13,824.

23 The two zones are separated by packers as is the  
24 annulus. This exhibit has been shown previously at the  
25 original hearing, but there have been several additions

1 to it. This one has the addition of fish in the upper  
2 string consisting of tools, several sets of knuckle joints,  
3 several sets of sinker bars. Attempts were made---  
4 Several attempts were made to recover this junk in the  
5 shallow string unsuccessfully.

6 Pressure was used to help force the junk out of the  
7 hole after it was engaged by bleeding the tubing pressure,  
8 and all that did was separate the jars.

9 Other changes in this plat are that we show holes  
10 that were perforated in long strings at 11,510 feet.  
11 These were made during one of the workover attempts to  
12 try and circulate calcium carbonate fluid into the  
13 Morrow to break off the zone so we could kill the well.

14 It also shows a perforating gun in the bottom of  
15 the well that wasn't shown on the previous plat.

16 Q Could you give us the previous history of this well and  
17 the difficulties that you have experienced with it?

18 A Yes. During the packer leakage test in October of 1971,  
19 the well seemed to have satisfactory separation, but when  
20 it was returned to production, the normally sweet Morrow  
21 side of the well began to produce sour gas. We made  
22 several attempts immediately to repair the well.

23 On the initial attempt, we found that the tubing  
24 was corkscrewed, and that resulted in an effort with a  
25 star drill.

1 On the second attempt, we made an effort to kill  
2 the thing, and we abandoned this after we were unable to  
3 load the hole.

4 There is approximately a 3500 pound differential  
5 between the Morrow and the waterdrive Devonian. The  
6 Morrow would take anything that was put into the well, and  
7 we attempted to seal it off with carbonates, but were  
8 unable to do so. We had considerable difficulty in  
9 getting by the fish in the short tubing string.

10 In this workover attempt, we introduced some  
11 additional Morrow zone, which appeared to open with  
12 bottomhole pressure of some 6600 pounds. This was  
13 calculated by running a bottomhole pressure bomb above  
14 the fish. This was considerably in excess of the 2500  
15 pounds we had measured previously on the bottomhole  
16 pressure survey approximately a year before.

17 This workover attempt was abandoned. We made a  
18 third attempt in February of 1972, and this is where we  
19 perforated the long string below the upper packer. We  
20 were trying to facilitate placing carbonate in the  
21 Morrow perforation by perforating the long string and  
22 circulating it through there.

23 The high pressure Morrow zone then required ten  
24 pounds of brine to kill it, whereas the Devonian zone  
25 was sufficient to hold it. We did get the well into



1 balance to the extent that we got the well head off and  
2 attempted to pull the tubing string, and found that the  
3 short string was damaged at this point.

4 Further workovers were abandoned. This was in March  
5 of 1972. This is when we requested relief, and were  
6 granted a permit to downhole commingle the well.

7 Subsequently we deepened the twin well, the Antelope  
8 Ridge No. 4. It was an abandoned Atoka well. We  
9 deepened it to the Morrow, and were attempting to make  
10 a withdrawal point in the Morrow in that zone so that we  
11 could go into the No. 2 Well and abandon the Morrow and  
12 make a single zone there.

13 After the deepened well was fracture treated, it  
14 produced approximately 8/10 of a million cubic feet of  
15 gas, and the pressure indicated that we were at virgin  
16 reservoir pressure not in communication with the Morrow  
17 zone.

18 So the situation is now that both wells are producing.  
19 The Well No. 2 is producing commingled downhole. The  
20 deepened well is producing. We have two Morrow wells  
21 producing on the same prorationing pad. The combined  
22 production from the two wells-- three zones in the two  
23 wells is approximately 4,000,000 cubic feet of gas and  
24 twenty-seven barrels of condensate per day.

25 This gas is going into Southern Union's five to six

1 hundred pound gathering system.

2 Q Referring you to Exhibits Three and Four, would you  
3 explain what those show?

4 A Exhibit Three is a structural plat contoured on the  
5 Morrow marker. About all it shows is that the entire  
6 accumulation is within the Antelope Ridge Unit.

7 Q And Exhibit Number Four?

8 A Exhibit Four is likewise a structure interpretation  
9 contoured on the top of the Devonian. Again, this rests  
10 within the unit boundary. This is the only Devonian  
11 production in the immediate area.

12 Q Referring you to what has been marked as Exhibits Five  
13 and Six, would you please explain those?

14 A Exhibits Five and Six are pertinent field statistics of  
15 the Morrow and Devonian reservoirs. I would like to  
16 point out that the accumulative Morrow gas production  
17 to the first of the year was 24.6 MCF. The accumulative  
18 production of the Antelope Ridge No. 2 to date is  
19 approximately 9.9 MCF.

20 The state of depletion in the Well No. 2 is  
21 sixty-six percent in the Morrow. The Devonian has  
22 produced 24.4 MCF to the first of the year. The Antelope  
23 Ridge has produced 8 1/2 MCF to date. The stage of  
24 depletion on the Well No. 2 is seventy-five percent.  
25 it could be more, it's difficult to tell, because it is

1 a waterdrive reservoir.

2 Q Referring you to Exhibits Seven and Eight, would you  
3 please explain those?

4 A When we were granted permission to commingle the well,  
5 a procedure was set up to monitor and allocate production  
6 in the commingled well. This procedure was to monitor  
7 the hydrogen sulphur content in the commingled well.  
8 These hydrogen sulphide measurements are measured by  
9 Wolf Laboratories in Odessa. They are made monthly, and  
10 there is direct comparison made in the third column on  
11 the tabulation as to the gas and condensate percentage  
12 that is allocated to the Devonian zone as a result of  
13 the hydrogen sulphide measurements.

14 Based on experience, we feel this is a reliable  
15 method of allocation.

16 Q And referring you to Exhibit Number Eight. Would you  
17 explain that, please?

18 A Exhibit Eight is merely a tabulation of the production  
19 history and allocations shown on the previous data.

20 Q And referring you to Exhibit Nine. Would you explain  
21 that, please?

22 A Exhibit Nine is what we have estimated it would cost us  
23 to repair Well No. 2 if we had a trouble-free operation  
24 other than what we anticipate at this point. It also  
25 assumes that we can do this work with a pulling unit.

1 We have had some bad experiences working on similar  
2 wells, and we feel that this thing is probably  
3 unrealistically low. The \$125,000 we show here probably  
4 would double if we got on the well. The attachments to  
5 this are prognoses as we see it with a trouble-free  
6 workover.

7 Q Do you feel that the granting of this application for  
8 the extension of the order would prevent waste and  
9 protect correlative rights?

10 A Yes, I think by allowing both zones to continue to  
11 produce, we will minimize downhole cross flowing. The  
12 Morrow has a history of being susceptible to damage, and  
13 I think there is a distinct possibility here of losing  
14 the Morrow. This is our main concern. If we don't  
15 lose it, we can easily damage it with workover fluids.

16 Again, we have no assurance that the current Morrow  
17 producing zone in Well No. 2 can be salvaged, even if  
18 the well were re-drilled. From our experience in the  
19 No. 4 Well, we conclude this because we have not been  
20 able to get into the same reservoir.

21 Q Is there also a risk involved in any workover?

22 A We feel that there is a very high risk of a blow-out and  
23 possible fire during any workover. The Morrow will have  
24 to be blocked off, and we use a calcium carbonate fill  
25 because it could be acidized back from the formation, and

1 we feel that we will get less damage this way.

2 We have to go into the well with a wash pipe, and  
3 we feel that we probably would lose circulation as we  
4 went by the Morrow circulation with the wash pipe. The  
5 result would be that we would lose circulation due to  
6 the 3500 differential between zones.

7 Of course, if we have a blow-out and can't control  
8 the well, we would either lose the reserves due to fire,  
9 or we would have to abandon the well and the field, and  
10 this would eliminate any workover possibilities.

11 We feel that correlative rights would not be  
12 jeopardized because both producing areas are located in  
13 the Antelope area.

14 It is our opinion that Shell has made an effort to  
15 correct the commingling in the Antelope No. 2. We have  
16 made three workover attempts, we have spent approximately  
17 a half a million dollars to date attempting to repair  
18 the problem. We estimate it will probably take a quarter  
19 of a million to repair the downhole tubing. In the  
20 event the well has to be re-drilled, we are looking at  
21 an additional \$800,000 to replace it.

22 Q Were Exhibits One through Nine prepared by you or under  
23 your supervision?

24 A They were.

25 MR. BUELL: At this time, Mr. Examiner, we move for

1 the admission of Applicant's Exhibits One through Nine.

2 MR. STAMETS: Without objection, they will be admitted.

3 (Whereupon Applicant's Exhibits One through Nine  
4 were admitted in evidence.)

5 MR. BUELL: We have nothing further.

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7 CROSS EXAMINATION

8 BY MR. STAMETS:

9 Q Mr. Kretzler, do you feel that the production from this  
10 well since the inadvertent attempt to commingle has  
11 given any indication of any problems in either reservoir?

12 A There has been a reduction in the water production. We  
13 are losing approximately fifty barrels of water per day.  
14 The condensate production is down slightly. This seems  
15 to have gradually happened over the life of the well,  
16 however at the producing rate we see now, it is somewhat  
17 comparable to what it was before.

18 Q I am not clear as to what this means. Do you think you  
19 are losing Devonian water in the Morrow formation, or  
20 how do you see this change?

21 A The well isn't being pulled as hard as it has been, and  
22 we felt that as we got the well back on production to  
23 the extent it had been producing previously that the  
24 well will get a certain amount of this back.

25 Q It is your testimony then that the safest way to produce

1 the remaining reserves from these two zones is to allow  
2 the well to continue to produce with the zones open  
3 together in the well bore?

4 A That's correct, sir.

5 MR. STAMETS: Are there any other questions of the  
6 witness?

7 (No response)

8 MR. STAMETS: If not, he may be excused.

9 (Witness excused.)

10 MR. STAMETS: Do you have anything further, Mr. Buell?

11 MR. BUELL: No, sir.

12 MR. STAMETS: Are there any statements?

13 MR. TRAWICK: My name is Carl Trawick with the  
14 United States Geological Survey, and I would like to make  
15 a statement.

16 MR. STAMETS: Proceed, please.

17 MR. TRAWICK: In view of the potential loss or  
18 damage of one or both of the formations, we agree with  
19 Shell that it is better to continue to produce the well.  
20 We would tend to agree with Shell's application.

21 MR. STAMETS: Is there anything further in this  
22 case?

23 (No response)

24 MR. STAMETS: Case 5118 will be taken under  
25 advisement.

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ROBERT KRETZLER

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Direct Examination by Mr. Buell

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Cross Examination by Mr. Stamets

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December 11, 1973

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Re: Case No. 5118  
Order No. R-4289-A  
Applicant:  
Shell Oil Company

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, JR.  
Secretary-Director

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 5118  
Order No. R-4289-A

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY  
FOR AN EXTENSION OF ORDER NO. R-4289,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 3, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 11th day of December, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That Shell Oil Company seeks an extension of the downhole commingling authority granted by Order No. R-4289 for applicant's Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Antelope Ridge Field, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That pursuant to the authority granted by Order R-2787, the subject well was completed as a dual completion (conventional) to produce gas from the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and the Antelope Ridge-Devonian Gas Pools.

(4) That communitization between the two zones developed in the Fall of 1971 due to mechanical difficulties.

(5) That the applicant has expended substantial sums and diligent effort to remedy or alleviate the situation to no avail.

(6) That the reservoir characteristics of the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge Devonian zones in the subject well are such that underground waste would not be caused by a continuation of the commingling in the wellbore.

(7) That one or both of the producing zones might be lost or damaged during further workover operations.

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(8) That the method of allocating production to each of the commingled zones upon the basis of the  $H_2S$  content of the commingled stream will protect correlative rights.

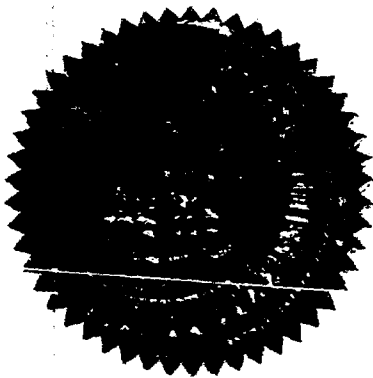
(9) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, is hereby authorized an extension of Order No. R-4289, which order authorized temporary downhole commingling of the Morrow Pennsylvanian and Devonian production in the wellbore in its Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, Antelope Ridge Field, Lea County, New Mexico, until further order of the Commission.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 4690  
Order No. R-4289

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY  
FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, LEA  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 5, 1972,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 17th day of April, 1972, the Commission, a  
quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record,  
and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised  
in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by  
law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject  
matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, is the owner and  
operator of the Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, a dual completion,  
located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East,  
NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That pursuant to authority granted by Order No. R-2787  
the subject well was completed as a dual completion (conventional)  
to produce gas from the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and  
Antelope Ridge-Devonian Gas Pools.

(4) That communication between the two zones developed in  
the Fall of 1971.

(5) That the applicant has made diligent efforts to repair  
the well.

(6) That during the efforts to repair the well a new high  
pressure zone in the Morrow formation was opened to the well-bore  
which makes workover attempts extremely hazardous.

(7) That the new high pressure Morrow zone is believed to  
be of limited extent.

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(8) That the applicant should be allowed to produce the well, commingling in the well-bore the production from the Devonian and Morrow zones, for one year or until such time as gas pressures have decreased to such an extent that the well can be safely repaired, whichever occurs first.

(9) That the applicant proposes to allocate production to each of the commingled zones upon the basis of the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the commingled stream as compared to the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the Devonian gas from its Antelope Ridge Well No. 3 located in Unit K of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 34 East.

(10) That the reservoir characteristics of the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian zones in the subject well are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling in the well-bore.

(11) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, is hereby authorized to produce its Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce gas from the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian Gas Pools, commingling in the well-bore the production from said zones.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator shall so produce the subject well for a period of one year or until such time as gas pressures have decreased to such an extent that the well can be safely repaired, whichever occurs first.

(2) That the commingled production shall be allocated to the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian zones upon the basis of the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the commingled stream as compared to the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the Devonian gas from its Antelope Ridge Well No. 3 located in Unit K of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, as determined by gas analyses conducted at least once each month.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRUCE KING, Chairman

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Case 4690

Applicant seeks an extension of  
Down hole Commingling authority granted  
by R 4289 for applicants  
well (describe) until depletion.

That DHC resulted from mechanical  
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✓ That one or both of the producing  
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✓ That the method of allocating  
production based on G<sub>1</sub>S content  
will protect correlative rights.

✓ Approval prevent waste  
protect rights

Grant application



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(9) That the applicant proposes to allocate production to each of the commingled zones upon the basis of the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the commingled stream as compared to the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the Devonian gas from its Antelope Ridge Well No. 3 located in Unit K of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 34 East.

(10) That the reservoir characteristics of the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian zones in the subject well are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling in the well-bore.

(11) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, is hereby authorized to produce its Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, in such a manner as to produce gas from the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian Gas Pools, commingling in the well-bore the production from said zones.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that the operator shall so produce the subject well for a period of one year or until such time as gas pressures have decreased to such an extent that the well can be safely repaired, whichever occurs first.

(2) That the commingled production shall be allocated to the Antelope Ridge-Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge-Devonian zones upon the basis of the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the commingled stream as compared to the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the Devonian gas from its Antelope Ridge Well No. 3 located in Unit K of Section 34, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, as determined by gas analyses conducted at least once each month.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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CASE NO. 4690  
Order No. R-4289

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

BRUCE KING, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

S E A L

Docket No. 34-73

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 27, 1973

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - MORGAN HALL,  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 5063: (De Novo)

Application of Shell Oil Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox location for its Sanger Well No. 6Y to be located 1220 feet from the North line and 180 feet from the West line of Section 27, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Hobbs Pool, Lea County, New Mexico.

Upon application of Samedan Oil Corporation, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

Docket No. 36-73

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - TUESDAY - DECEMBER 11, 1973

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM,  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

- ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for January, 1974, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, Roosevelt and Chaves Counties, New Mexico;
- (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas from nine prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico, for January, 1974.

Docket No. 35-73

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 1973

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM,  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING - SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 5115: Application of Mobil Oil Corporation for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Corral Draw Unit Area comprising 19,199 acres, more or less, of Federal and State lands in Townships 25 and 26 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5116: Application of Mobil Oil Corporation for a pressure maintenance project, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a pressure maintenance project by the injection of water and/or gas into the Middle Pennsylvanian formation of its Bridges State Well No. 147 located in Unit F of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, Vacuum-Middle Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, the W/2 of said Section 13 to be the initial project area. Applicant further seeks the promulgation of rules for said project including a provision for administrative approval for expansion thereof.

CASE 5117: Application of Roger C. Hanks for creation of a new pool and special rules, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of the North Dagger Draw-Cisco Canyon Oil Pool in Sections 24, 25, and 36, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Sections 18, 19, 30 and 31, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, and Section 1, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special pool rules therefor, including a provision for 320-acre spacing and proration units and specified well locations.

CASE 5118: Application of Shell Oil Company for an extension of Order No. R-4289, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the indefinite extension of Order No. R-4289, which order as extended authorized temporary downhole commingling of the Morrow Pennsylvanian and Devonian production in the wellbore in its Antelope Ridge Well No. 2 located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, Antelope Ridge Field, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5119: Application of Getty Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Stock Unit Area comprising 5,760 acres, more or less, of State lands in Township 21 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5120: Application of Lone Star Producing Company for a dual completion and salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water by

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injection into the San Andres formation through the annulus between 5 1/2-inch and 8 5/8-inch casing strings of its New Mexico State 80 Well No. 1 located in Unit B of Section 33, Township 14 South, Range 34 East, Tres Papalotes-Pennsylvanian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and to produce oil from said pool through 2 3/8-inch tubing installed within the 5 1/2-inch casing.

CASE 5121: Application of Texaco Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 160-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 25, Township 20 South, Range 32 East, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to its Audie Richards Well No. 1 located in Unit P of said Section 25.

CASE 5122: Application of Sun Oil Company for the creation of a new oil pool and special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Wolfcamp production for its Shern Federal Well No. 1 located in Unit M of Section 15, Township 19 South, Range 32 East, Lusk Field, Lea County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of special pool rules therefor including a provision for 160-acre spacing and proration units and a special limiting gas-oil ratio of 4000 to 1.

CASE 5123: Application of Consolidated Oil & Gas Inc. for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle gas production from the Flora Vista-Gallup Gas Pool and the Basin Dakota-Gas Pool in the wellbore of its Clayton Well No. 1-2 located in Unit N of Section 2, Township 30 North, Range 12 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5124: Application of Belco Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests underlying the S/2 of Section 30, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, South Salt Lake-Morrow Gas Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 660 feet from the South line and 1300 feet from the East line of said Section 30. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of such costs, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered is the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5126: Application of Atlantic Richfield Company for a unit agreement, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Avalon Deep Unit Area comprising 10, 117 acres, more or less, of fee, Federal, and State lands in Township 21 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

CASE 5127: Application of Skelly Oil Company for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of the Salt Lake South Unit Area comprising 7080.12 acres, more or less, of State and Federal lands in Township 21 South, Range 32 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

CASE 5125: Northwestern nomenclature case calling for the creation and extension of certain pools in McKinley, San Juan, Rio Arriba and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico:

(a) Create a new pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Mesaverde production and designated as the Blackeye-Mesaverde Oil Pool. The discovery well is the K & W Oil Co. #55-Y Jaco located in Unit D of Section 32, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 29: W/2 SW/4

Section 30: SE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4

Section 32: NW/4 NW/4

(b) Create a new pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Dakota production and designated as the Blackeye-Dakota Oil Pool. The discovery well is the Colorado Plateau Geological Services, Inc. #1 Blackeye located in Unit M of Section 29, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 29: SW/4 SW/4

(c) Create a new pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Dakota A production and designated as the Lone Pine-Dakota A Pool. The discovery well is the Tenneco Oil Co. #2 SFPRR located in Unit L of Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 13: SW/4

Section 23: NE/4

Section 24: NW/4

(d) Create a new pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Fruitland production and designated as the Mt. Nebo-Fruitland Pool. The discovery well is the Amoco Production Co. #1 Keys Gas Com E located in Unit D of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 27: NW/4

Section 28: NE/4

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TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM  
Section 29: W/2 SW/4  
Section 30: SE/4 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4  
Section 32: NW/4 NW/4

(b) Create a new pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Dakota production and designated as the Blackeye-Dakota Oil Pool. The discovery well is the Colorado Plateau Geological Services, Inc. #1 Blackeye located in Unit M of Section 29, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM  
Section 29: SW/4 SW/4

(c) Create a new pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Dakota A production and designated as the Lone Pine-Dakota A Pool. The discovery well is the Tenneco Oil Co. #2 SPPRR located in Unit L of Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM  
Section 13: SW/4  
Section 23: NE/4  
Section 24: NW/4

(d) Create a new pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, classified as a gas pool for Fruitland production and designated as the Mt. Nebo-Fruitland Pool. The discovery well is the Amoco Production Co. #1 Keys Gas Com E located in Unit D of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, NMPM. Said pool would comprise:

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM  
Section 27: NW/4  
Section 28: NE/4

(e) Extend the Angels Peak-Gallup Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 6: N/2  
Section 7: SW/4  
Section 8: All  
Section 9: W/2  
Section 18: W/2 & SE/4  
Section 23: W/2

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 3: SW/4 & S/2 SE/4  
Section 11: S/2  
Section 12: All  
Section 13: N/2

(f) Extend the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 18: W/2

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 18: S/2  
Section 20: SW/4

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 12: SW/4

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM

Section 18: SE/4  
Section 21: SW/4  
Section 28: SE/4  
Section 31: E/2  
Section 32: SW/4

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM

Section 2: N/2  
Section 3: NE/4

(g) Extend the Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba, Sandoval and San Juan Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, NMPM

Section 6: N/2 & SE/4  
Section 7: NE/4  
Section 8: W/2

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM

Section 15: S/2  
Section 16: S/2  
Section 21: All  
Section 22: All  
Section 23: All  
Section 26: N/2  
Section 27: N/2 & SE/4  
Section 28: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM

Section 24: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 14: NW/4

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM

Section 17: SW/4  
Section 20: N/2

(h) Extend the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool in Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 8: E/2  
Section 9: All  
Section 10: W/2  
Section 14: N/2

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 9: SE/4  
Section 34: S/2

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 7: All (Partial)  
Section 18: All  
Section 19: All  
Section 31: W/2

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 13: E/2

(i) Extend the Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM

Section 30: SW/4  
Section 31: W/2

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 5: SE/4	Section 25: W/2 & SE/4
Section 8: S/2	Section 26: E/2
Section 14: N/2	Section 33: W/2
Section 15: S/2	Section 34: NE/4
Section 16: S/2	Section 35: N/2
Section 17: S/2 & NE/4	Section 36: N/2
Section 23: SE/4	

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 6: S/2  
Section 7: All  
Section 18: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 14: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 2: All	Section 14: NE/4
Section 5: SE/4	Section 15: SW/4
Section 6: NE/4	Section 16: N/2 & SE/4
Section 9: NE/4	Section 22: SE/4
Section 10: N/2	Section 23: S/2
Section 11: All	Section 24: SW/4
Section 12: SW/4	Section 25: All
Section 13: All	Section 26: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 31: S/2

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Section 18: SW/4	Section 32: E/2
Section 29: SE/4	Section 35: S/2
Section 31: S/2	Section 36: S/2

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM

Section 3: All	Section 12: All
Section 4: All	Section 13: E/2
Section 5: N/2 & SE/4	Section 14: N/2
Section 8: SW/4	Section 17: N/2
Section 9: N/2	Section 23: W/2
Section 10: N/2	Section 25: SW/4
Section 11: All	

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM

Section 21: E/2	Section 32: All
Section 22: SW/4	Section 33: All
Section 27: All	Section 34: All
Section 28: All	Section 35: S/2
Section 29: N/2 & SE/4	

(j) Extend the South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba, Sandoval and San Juan Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 23 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, NMPM  
Section 8: SE/4

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM  
Section 9: E/2      Section 16: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM  
Section 17: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM  
Section 26: SW/4      Section 35: W/2  
Section 27: E/2      Section 36: NW/4

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM  
Section 16: E/2

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM  
Section 8: All (Partial)      Section 18: E/2  
Section 9: All (Partial)      Section 19: NE/4  
Section 14: W/2 & SE/4      Section 20: NW/4  
Section 15: N/2      Section 23: NE/4  
Section 16: NE/4      Section 24: W/2 & SE/4  
Section 17: All      Section 25: N/2

(k) Extend the Choza Mesa-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM  
Section 23: W/2

(l) Extend the Flora Vista-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM  
Section 1: SW/4  
Section 2: S/2  
Section 3: SE/4

(m) Extend the South Gallegos-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMPM  
Section 1: SW/4

(n) Extend the Gonzales-Mesaverde Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM  
Section 4: SW/4      Section 9: NW/4  
Section 5: SE/4

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 29: SW/4      Section 32: W/2  
Section 31: S/2

(o) Extend the Hospah-Dakota Oil Pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 5: SW/4 SW/4      Section 7: N/2 NE/4  
Section 6: SE/4 SE/4

(p) Extend the Kutz-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM

Section 13: W/2

(q) Extend the Largo-Chacra Pool in Rio Arriba & San Juan Counties, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 10: NE/4      Section 16: S/2  
Section 11: All      Section 17: SE/4  
Section 13: W/2 & SE/4      Section 23: N/2  
Section 14: All      Section 25: W/2  
Section 15: S/2      Section 26: E/2

(r) Extend the South Lindrith-Gallup Dakota Oil Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM

Section 21: SE/4      Section 28: N/2 & SW/4

(s) Extend the Lone Pine-Dakota D Oil Pool in McKinley County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 7: S/2 NE/4      Section 8: W/2 NW/4

(t) Extend the North Los Pinos-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 13: SE/4

(u) Extend the Otero-Chacra Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 2: SW/4      Section 12: W/2  
Section 3: SE/4      Section 14: NW/4  
Section 10: SE/4      Section 15: NE/4  
Section 11: S/2 & NE/4

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 31: W/2      Section 32: SW/4

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM

Section 21: SW/4      Section 33: E/2  
Section 26: NW/4 & SE/4      Section 34: All  
Section 27: All      Section 36: S/2

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST, NMPM

Section 11: N/2

(v) Extend the Pinon-Fruitland Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMPM

Section 8: All (Partial)  
Section 9: All (Partial)

(w) Extend the Tapacito-Pictured Cliffs Pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, NMPM

Section 21: NE/4

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, NMPM

Section 6: SE/4      Section 27: N/2  
Section 15: SE/4

(x) Extend the Tocito Dome-Pennsylvanian D Oil Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 18 WEST, NMPM

Section 26: NW/4      Section 27: NE/4

(y) Extend the Ute Dome-Dakota Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM

Section 10: All      Section 11: All

TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM

Section 25: E/2

(z) Extend the Ute Dome-Paradox Pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, to include therein:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 14 WEST, NMPM

Section 10: All

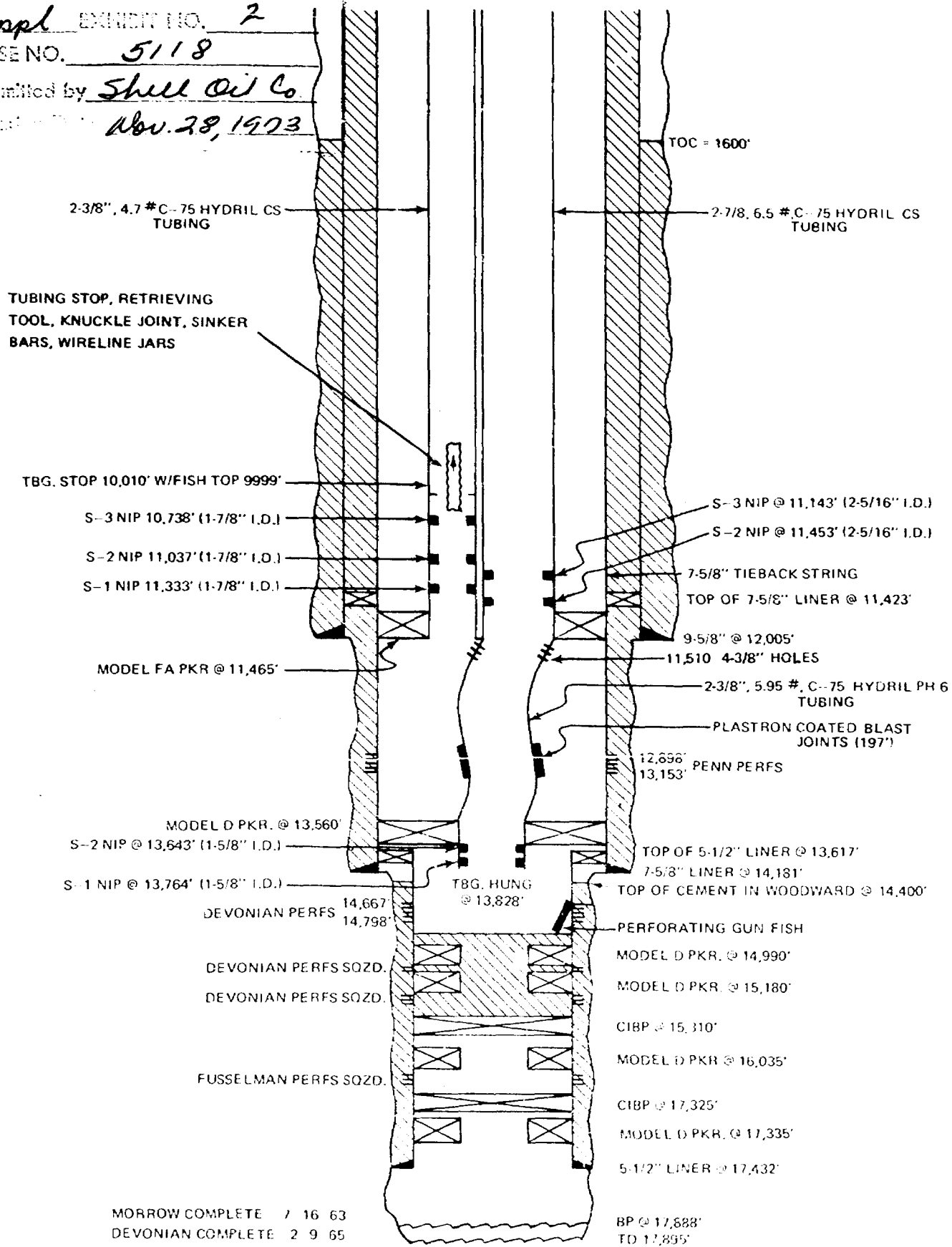
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Section 25: All

BEFORE EXAMINER STAMETS  
COMMISSION

ANTELOPE RIDGE UNIT NO. 2  
DF 3567

Appl EXHIBIT NO. 2  
CASE NO. 5118  
Submitted by *Shell Oil Co.*  
Date *Nov. 28, 1973*





PERTINENT FIELD STATISTICS  
MORROW RESERVOIR  
ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Average Porosity	9%
Average Permeability	40.4 md
Average Water Saturations	25%
Average Oil Saturations	---
Average Net Effective Pay Thickness	29'
Average Gravity of Gas	.60
Average Gravity of Oil	48°
Original Reservoir Pressure	8731
Reservoir Temperature	184° F.
Additional Reservoir Pressure Data (8/70) (Prior to Communication)	2407 psi
Condition of Well During Pressure Test	Shut-in
Cumulative Morrow Reservoir Gas Production to 1/73.	24.6 BCF
Cumulative Morrow Production of Antelope Ridge #2 to 10/73	9.9 BCF
Stage of Depletion of Well #2	66% depleted 10/73

REPORT EXAMINED STAMP  
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Nov. 28, 1973

PERTINENT FIELD STATISTICS  
DEVONIAN RESERVOIR  
ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Average Porosity	6.5%
Average Permeability	4.5 md
Average Water Saturations	30%
Average Oil Saturations	----
Average Net Effective Pay Thickness	173'
Average Gravity of Gas	.67 Orig. - .62 Current
Average Gravity of Oil	50° API Cond.
Original Reservoir Pressure	6410
Reservoir Temperature	217°
Additional Reservoir Pressure Data (8/70)	6161 psi
Condition of Well During Pressure Test	Shut-in
Cumulative Devonian Reservoir Gas Production to 1/73	24.4 BCF
Cumulative Devonian Production of Antelope Ridge #2 to 10/73	8.5 BCF
Stage of Depletion of Well #2 (Minimum)	75% depleted 10/73

DEVONIAN EXAMINER STATISTICS	
OIL COMPLETION INFORMATION	
APPL.	FIG. 6
CASE NO.	5118
SUBMITTED BY	Shell Oil Co.
RECEIVED DATE	Nov. 28, 1973

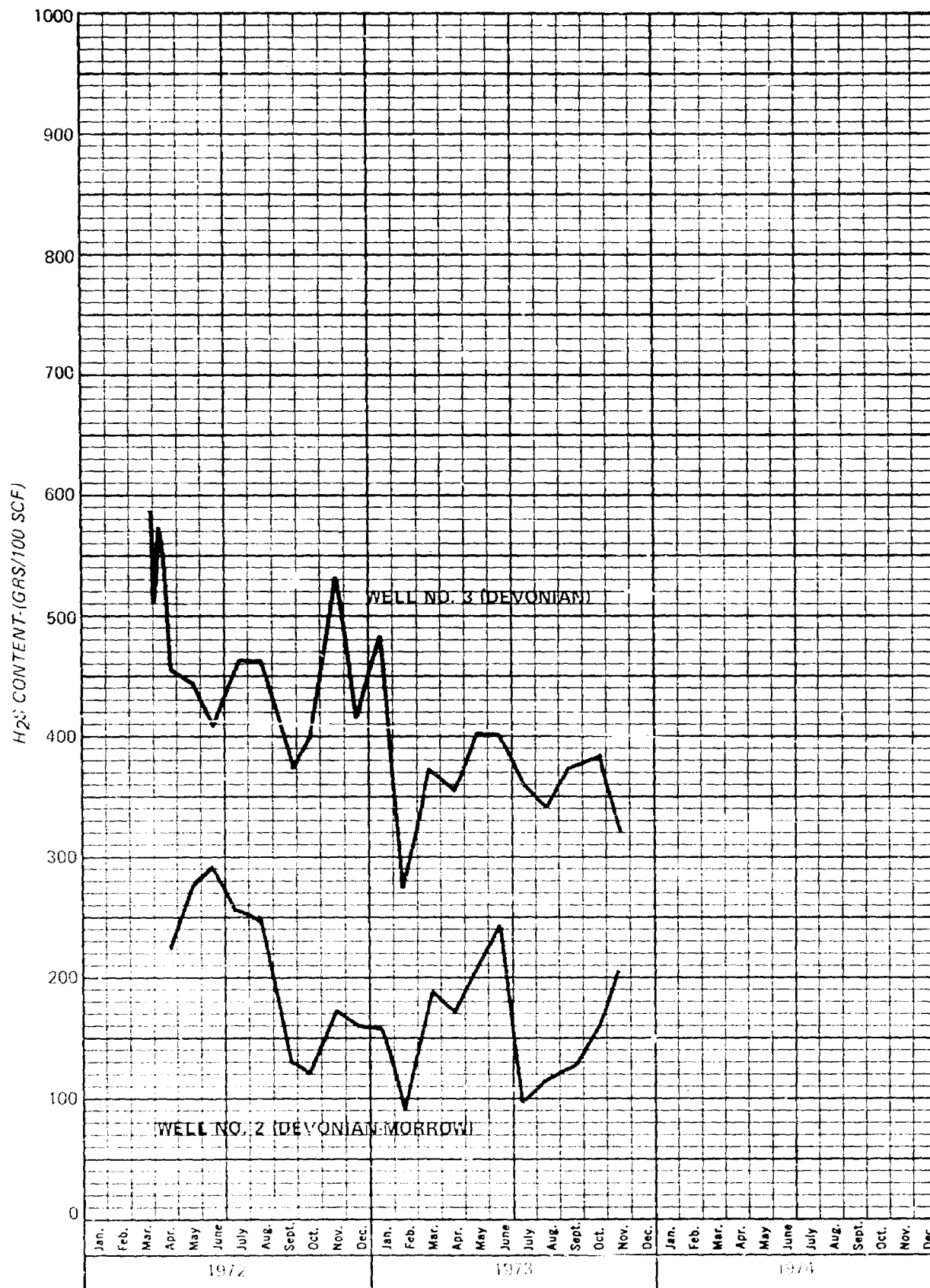
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(GRAIN/100 SCF)  
ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
NOVEMBER 20, 1973

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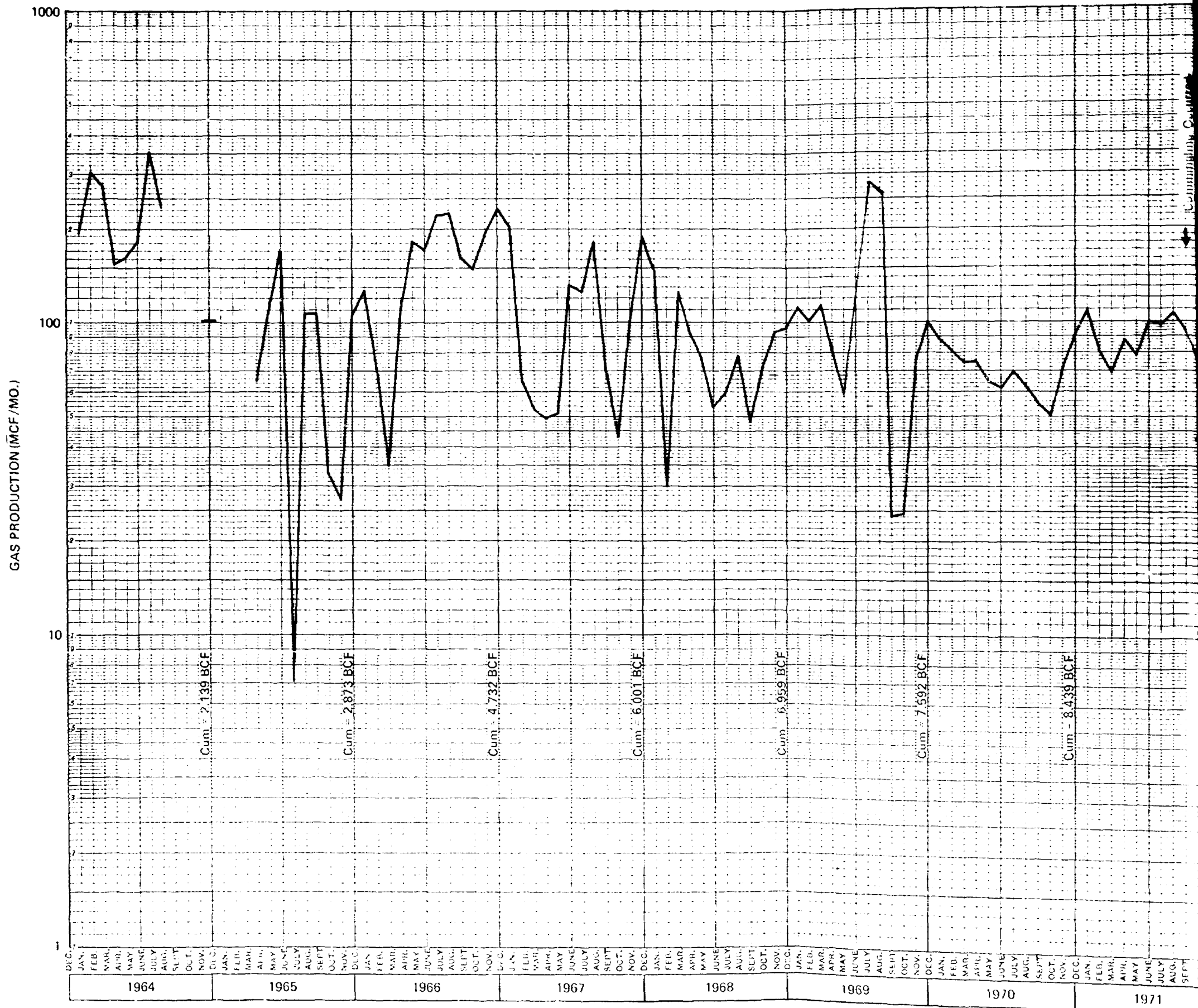
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H<sub>2</sub>S CONTENT  
 ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
 NOVEMBER 14, 1973

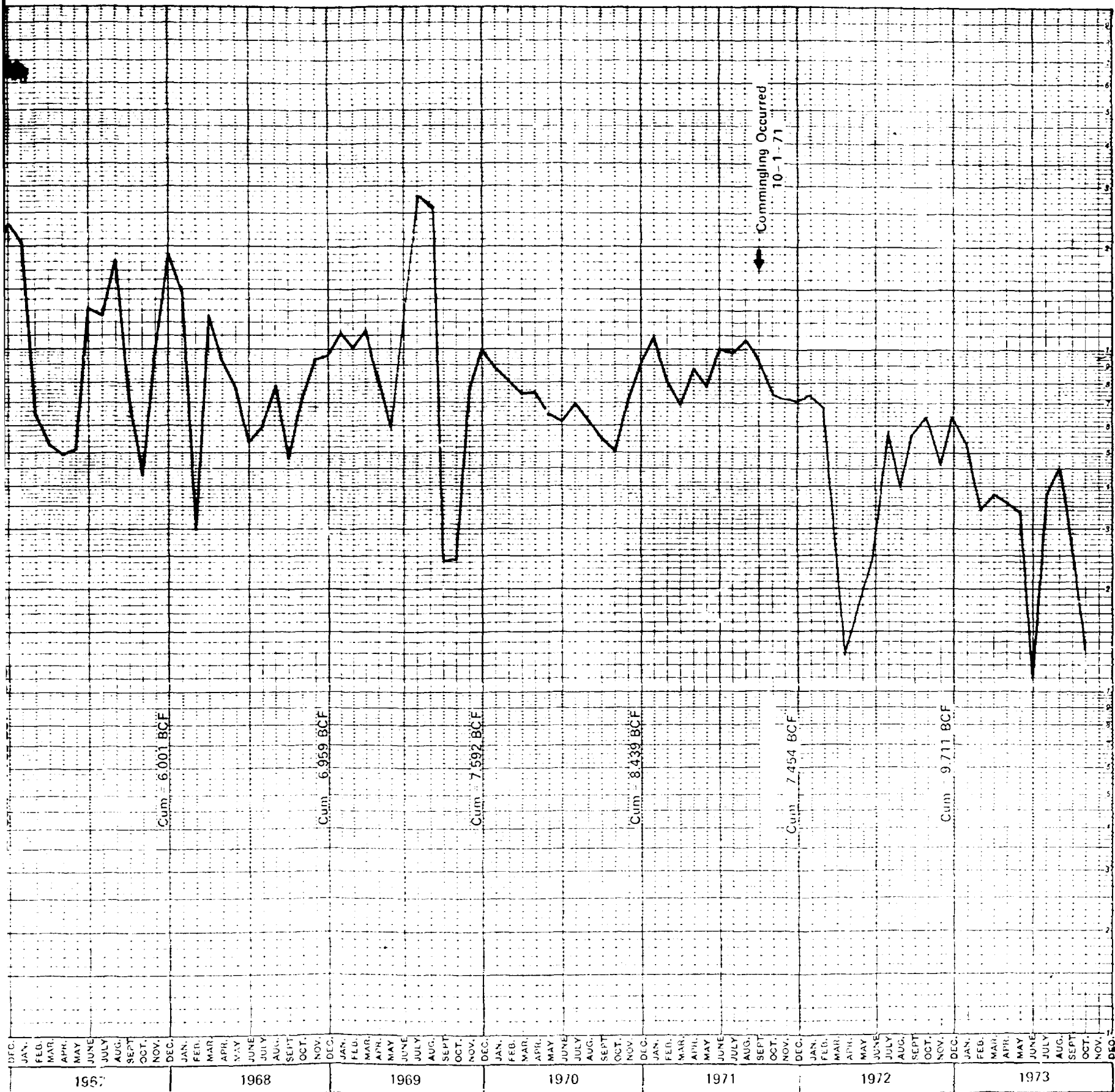


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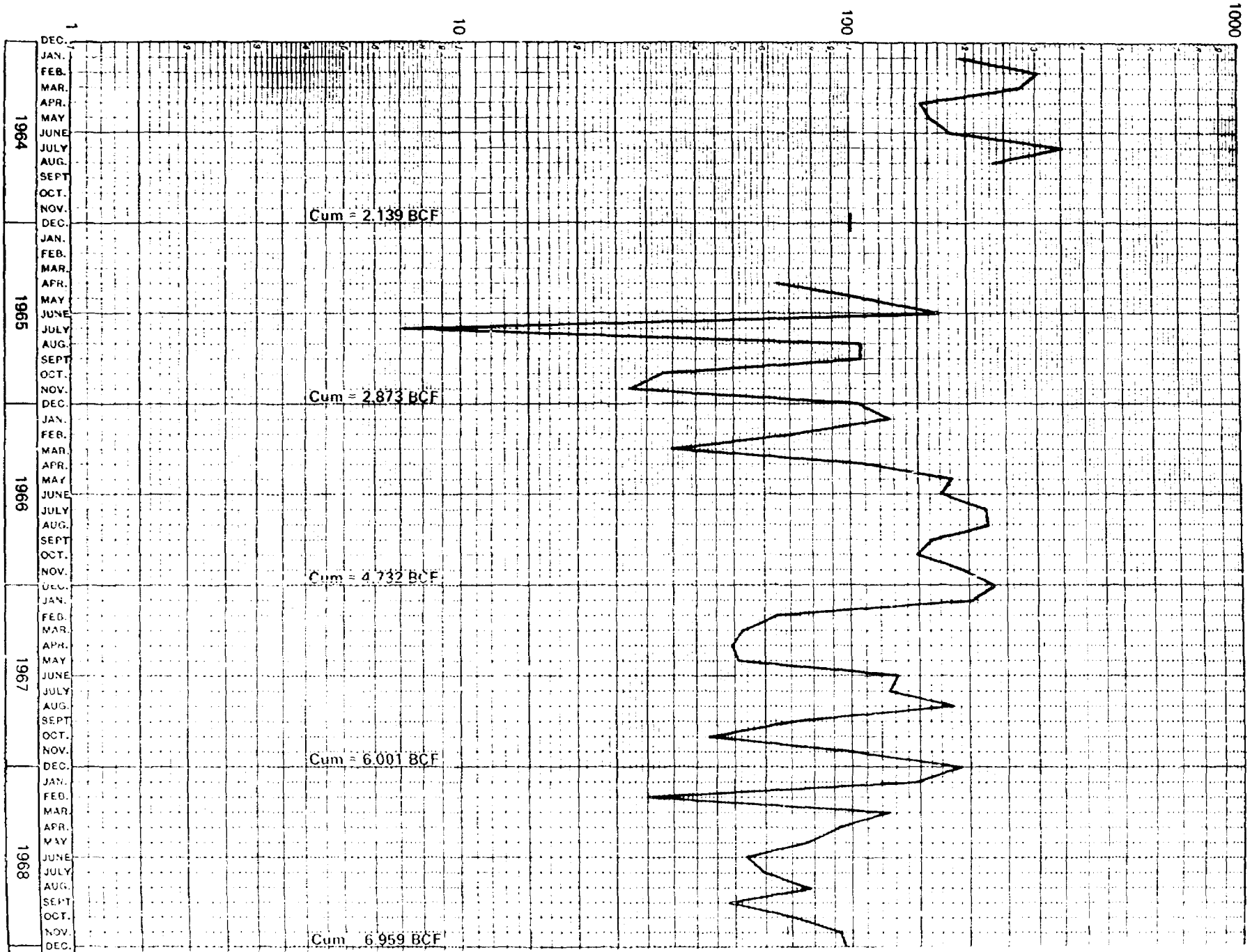
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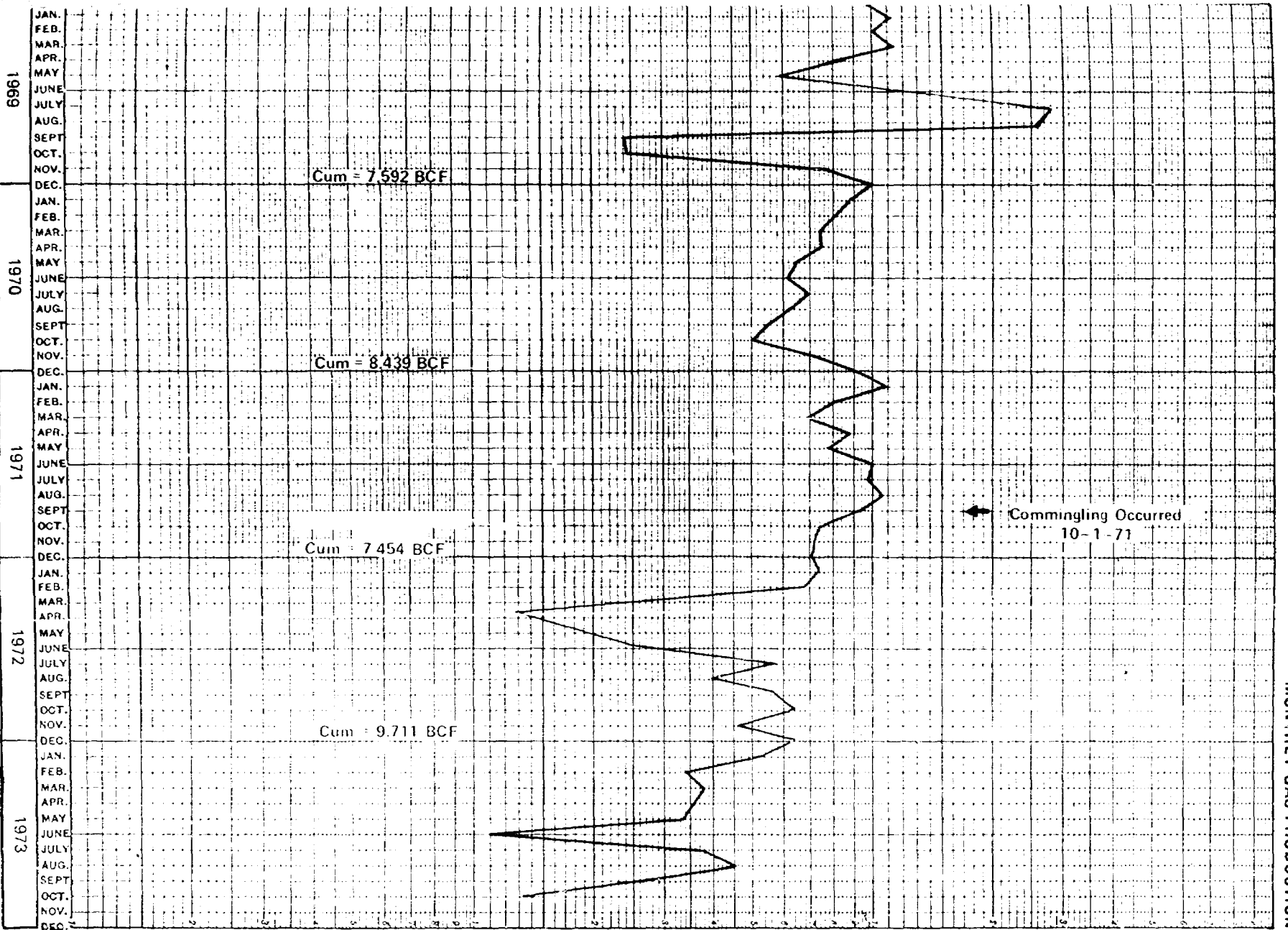
MORROW  
MONTHLY GAS PRODUCTION



SOURCE NMOCC ANNUAL

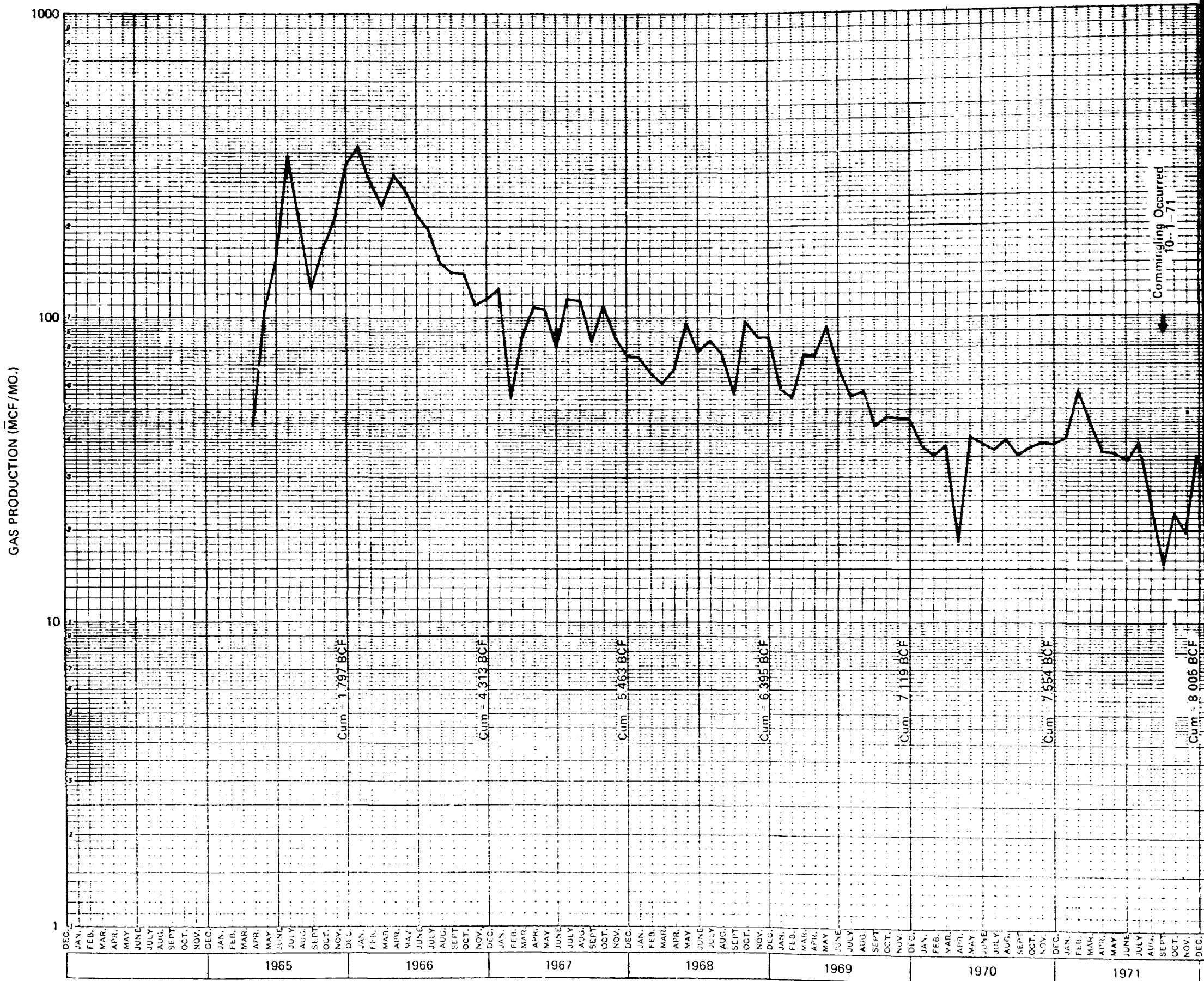
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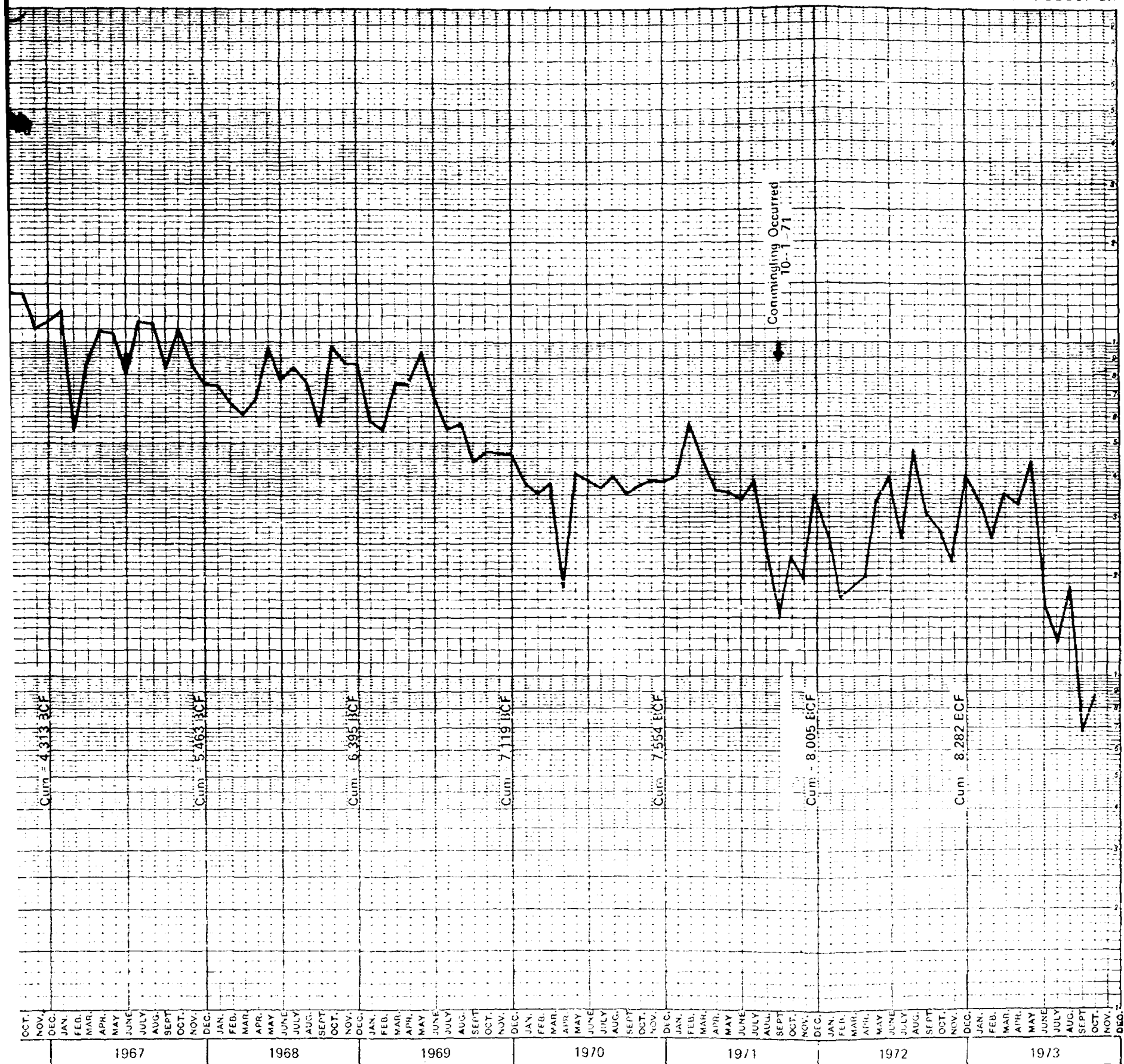


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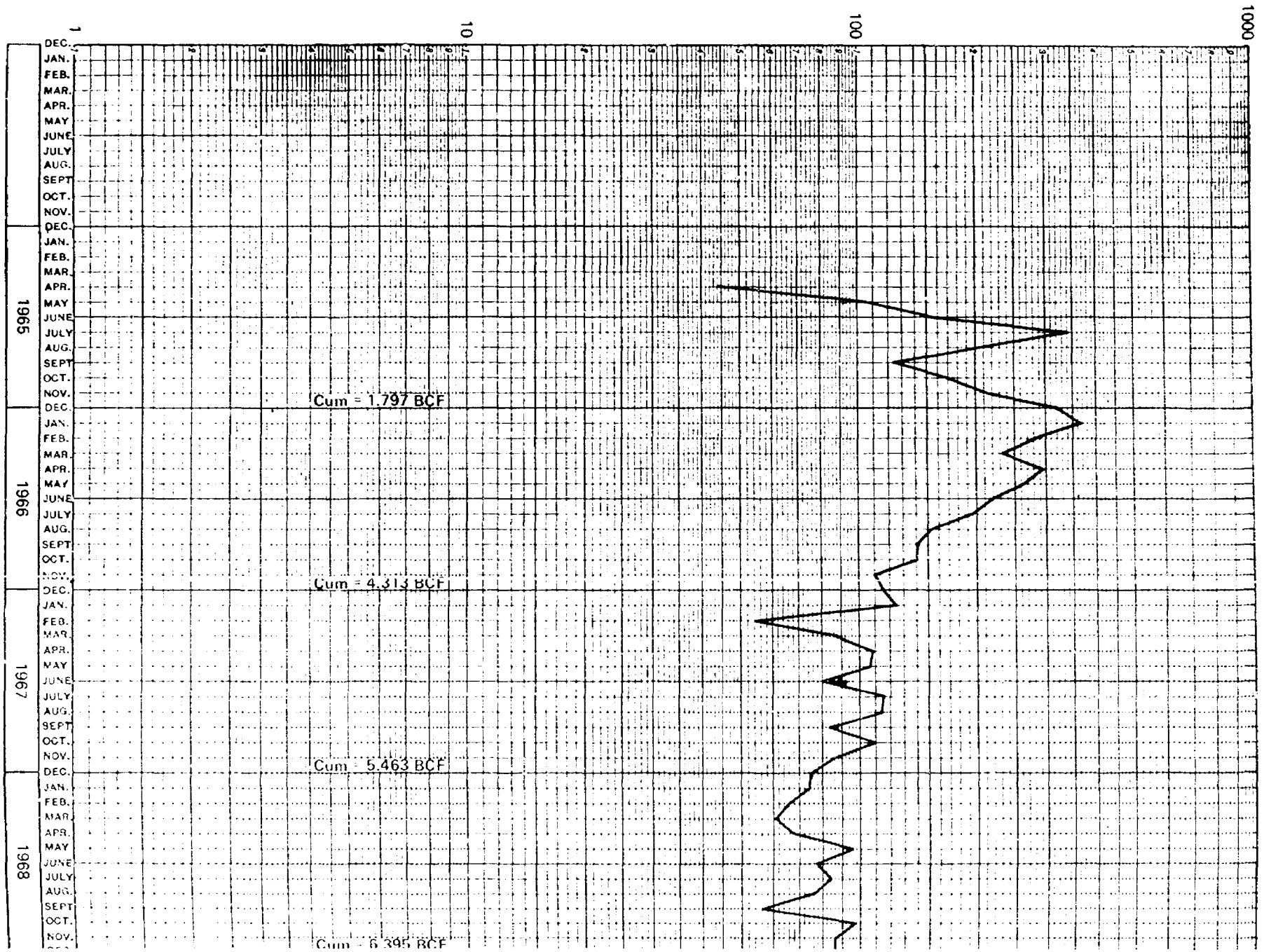
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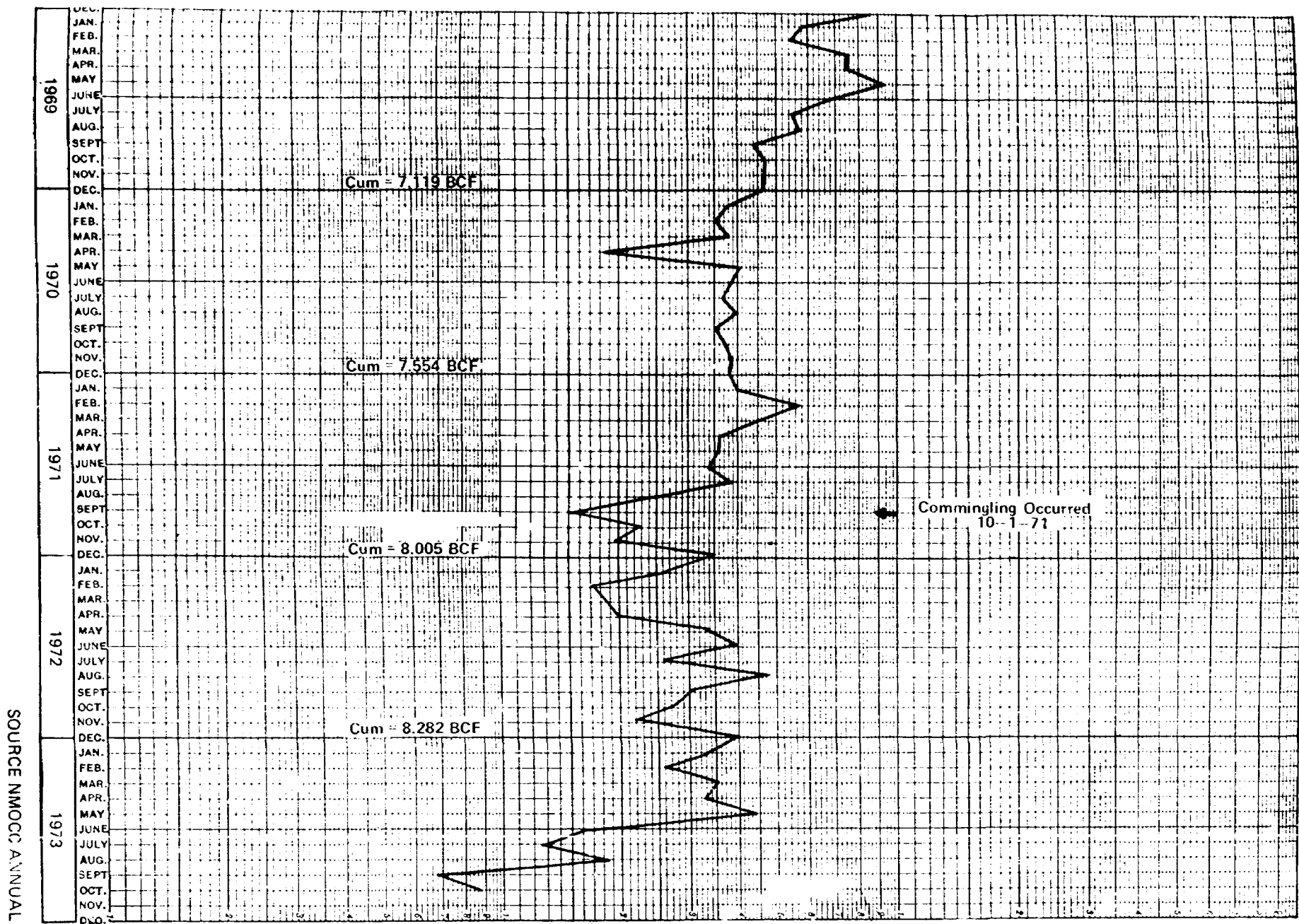
## DEVONIAN MONTHLY GAS PRODUCTION



SOURCE NMOCC ANNUAL

# GAS PRODUCTION (MCF/MO.)





TABULATION OF GAS AND CONDENSATE  
PRODUCTION FOR ANTELOPE RIDGE NO. 2

YEAR	MONTH	MORROW		DEVONIAN	
		GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)	GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)
1964	January	195,103	1,619		
	February	307,187	2,016		
	March	272,371	1,750		
	April	156,040	1,001		
	May	162,651	1,149		
	June	181,537	1,574		
	July	352,944	2,229		
	August	236,159	1,010		
	September				
	October				
	November				
	December	102,421	588		
1965	January				
	February				
	March				
	April	65,713	618		
	May	109,436	312	44,674	1,070
	June	169,631	1,100	107,432	5,727
	July	7,147		155,074	4,014
	August	108,925	2,136	341,123	8,034
	September	107,127	2,130	218,221	7,141
	October	33,130	741	125,904	2,985
	November	27,270	537	170,621	4,352
	December	106,323	2,275	212,358	5,960
1966	January	128,567	2,921	318,530	6,968
	February	46,979	842	362,432	8,007
	March	34,999	816	283,177	5,454
	April	111,746	2,401	235,831	4,866
	May	181,613	1,399	294,357	6,031
	June	171,342	1,104	261,835	5,471
	July	220,591	1,149	219,486	4,736
	August	225,134	1,220	196,625	3,434
	September	162,004	853	152,563	3,304
	October	149,924	799	140,733	2,651
	November	194,738	619	139,457	2,574
	December	230,459	686	111,510	2,239
1967	January	205,932	1,124	117,704	2,473
	February	64,707	263	124,292	2,760
	March	53,294	127	54,165	1,060
	April	49,893	331	87,192	2,468
	May	51,314	25	108,581	3,025
	June	131,370	664	107,782	3,503
	July	127,161	681	80,332	3,405
	August	181,030	626	117,361	2,433
	September	70,311	818	114,067	2,710
	October	43,321		83,806	2,040
	November	101,577	609	111,534	2,000
	December	189,544	1,129	85,606	2,267
				75,470	1,951

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CASE NO. 5118

Submitted by Shell Oil Co.  
Hearing Date Apr. 28, 1973

TABULATION OF GAS AND CONDENSATE  
PRODUCTION FOR ANTELOPE RIDGE NO. 2 (CONT'D.)

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YEAR	MONTH	MORROW		DEVONIAN	
		GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)	GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)
1968	January	148,314	538	74,734	1,674
	February	30,016	170	65,456	1,443
	March	126,864	547	60,486	2,139
	April	93,708	722	68,040	1,165
	May	77,164	660	96,710	1,294
	June	53,637	577	77,836	1,069
	July	60,566	597	84,484	1,160
	August	78,471	638	75,945	1,032
	September	48,336	795	56,409	1,107
	October	71,223	878	97,459	1,294
	November	83,639	1,067	86,451	966
	December	85,888	805	87,281	1,554
1969	January	112,695	1,308	58,099	1,183
	February	100,935	1,288	55,725	1,008
	March	114,262	1,295	75,426	1,451
	April	79,580	395	75,232	1,096
	May			93,463	1,118
	June			68,742	1,267
	July			55,524	1,135
	August			57,137	810
	September	24,108	24	44,490	1,082
	October	24,768	34	46,941	898
	November	77,515	437	46,915	530
	December	99,604	761	46,361	1,330
1970	January	88,896	741	37,901	1,060
	February	81,802	744	35,349	645
	March	73,929	605	38,101	1,019
	April	75,377	549	18,483	911
	May	64,197	479	40,713	964
	June	62,210	516	38,709	867
	July	69,308	613	36,825	943
	August	62,805	608	39,709	768
	September	55,136	547	35,114	745
	October	50,533	570	37,529	728
	November	70,993	597	38,931	781
	December	91,621	1,057	38,079	591
1971	January	109,439	661	40,265	978
	February	80,578	689	57,043	788
	March	69,764	755	44,712	874
	April	88,046	723	36,294	837
	May	78,371	681	35,634	838
	June	99,576	1,020	33,858	596
	July	98,555	937	38,666	835
	August	106,088	996	24,623	1,223
	September	91,700	1,150	15,579	50

TABULATION OF GAS AND CONDENSATE  
PRODUCTION FOR ANIELOPE RIDGE NO. 2 (CONT'D)

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YEAR	MONTH	MORROW		DEVONIAN	
		GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)	GAS (MCF/Mo.)	CONDENSATE (BC/Mo.)
1971	October*	75,590	938	23,200	671
	November	72,937	817	20,171	247
	December	72,206	882	36,344	627
1972	January	25,442	226	19,588	174
	February	SI	---	SI	---
	March	SI	---	SI	---
	April	13,116	66	20,986	69
	May	15,993	247	26,008	402
	June	24,984	162	40,628	403
	July	57,537	230	26,694	107
	August	39,842	272	47,456	326
	September	57,461	129	31,103	70
	October	64,962	174	28,257	76
	November	47,942	421	22,772	199
	December	65,341	135	41,475	86
1973	January	54,782	254	34,774	123
	February	34,421	177	16,646	88
	March	38,845	125	38,843	125
	April	41,328	131	41,328	117
	May	34,580	159	30,888	229
	June	11,354	156	16,288	243
	July	37,277	376	13,419	136
	August	45,762	256	19,891	138

\*Commingling occurred October 1, 1971.

Production allocated on basis H<sub>2</sub>S content since commingling.

Source NMOCC Statistics

ATTACHMENT III

SUMMARY OF  
ANTELOPE RIDGE UNIT NO. 2  
WORKOVER COSTS

<u>ITEM:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
30 Days Rig Time @ \$1000/Day	\$ 30,000
22 Days Pump Truck Expense @ \$400/Day	12,000
14 Days Drill Pipe Rental @ \$400/Day	5,600
14 Days Mud Costs @ \$5/Bbl. - 250 Bbl./Day (Does not include loss circulation material)	17,500
Calcium Chloride Pill (Loss Circulation Material) and Preservatives, Ten 50-bbl. Pills @ \$1,250/50-Bbl. Pill Plus \$5,000 Preservatives	17,500
30 Days Blowout Preventer Rental (5000 psi Working Pressure @ \$30/Day)	900
1800' - 2-7/8", 6.5# Hydril CS Tubing @ \$2.50/ft.	4,700
1600' - 2-3/8", 4.7# Hydril CS Tubing @ \$1.60/ft.	2,600
Packers (1 Dual Baker A-5 and 1 Model D)	6,000
Wellhead Service	1,000
Profile Nipples	1,000
Wireline Work (As Tabulated)	3,000
Fishing Tool Rentals (As Tabulated)	7,000
Tubing Hydrotesting	4,000
Water Hauling	4,000
Stimulation	8,900
200' - 2-7/8" Blast Joints	2,500

TOTAL \$125,000

BEFORE EXAMINER STAMETS  
OIL FIELD WORK COMMISSION  
Appl. RATED NO. 9  
COST NO. 5118  
Submitted by Shell Oil Co.  
H. J. [unclear] Nov. 28, 1973

*Probably  
be double*



# ATTACHMENT II

GENERAL PROGNOSIS  
TO ISOLATE MORROW & DEVONIAN  
ANTELOPE RIDGE NO. 2  
660' FNL & 1650' FEL SEC. 4,  
T-24-S, R-34-E, NMPM SURVEY,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

<u>OPERATION:</u>	<u>RIG TIME (DAYS)</u>	<u>FISHING TOOL RENTALS (\$)</u>	<u>WIRELINE WORK (\$)</u>
1. Rig up and kill well.	1		
2. Cut off short string @ 9950+'. 3. Pull short string.	1/6 2/3		500
4. Cut off long string @ 11,450+'. 5. Pull long string--pick up work string.	1/6 1-1/3		500
6. Run overshot and jars and attempt to fish short string w/2-7/8" work string.	2/3	1,300	
a. If not successful in Step 6 above, wash over and attempt OD cut of short string @ 11,460+' and retrieve short string stub.	2	1,500	
7. Run over shot and bumper subs, latch onto long string and attempt to jar long string out.	1	900	
a. If not successful in Step 7, mill out top packer.	3	800	
8. Run free point survey in long string and cut off as deep as possible or above the free point.	1/2		1,250
9. Pull upper packer and long string.	1/2		
10. If long string has not been cut deep enough, wash over long string and OD cut just above lower packer.	2	1,500	
11. Pluck lower packer.	1-1/3	1,000	
12. Retrieve lower packer.	1/6		
13. Set Model D packer with knockout plug at 13,500+'. 14. Run A-5 Baker packer on long string to 12,800+'. Pressure test long string connections above slips hydraulically to 6000 psi. Run tail pipe to 14,500' and latch in long string to lower packer and set 4000# on Model D.	1/2       1	       	500
15. Run short string and sting into dual packer--pressure test short string connections above slips hydraulically to 8000 psi. Land short string with 5000# compression.	1		

ATTACHMENT II, CONTINUED

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<u>OPERATION:</u>	<u>RIG TIME (DAYS)</u>	<u>FISHING TOOL RENTALS (\$)</u>	<u>WIRELINE WORK (\$)</u>
16. Remove BOPS and install wellhead.	1/4		
17. Circulate annulus with inhibited fresh water.	1/4		
18. Run wireline standing valve and set upper packer with 1400 psi pressure @ surface.	1/4		250
19. Retrieve standing valve.			
20. Place well on production.			
Treating Morrow	3 1/4		
Squeezing Devonian-Drill out, Perf, and Acidize	<u>9</u> 30		



*Set for Hearing Nov. 28*

**SHELL OIL COMPANY**

PETROLEUM BUILDING  
P.O. BOX 1509  
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

September 11, 1973

Subject: Antelope Ridge Unit  
(No. 14-08-0001-8492)  
Lea County, New Mexico  
Commingling Extension Request

Oil and Gas Supervisor  
United States Geological Survey  
Post Office Drawer 1857  
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Commissioner of Public Lands  
State of New Mexico  
Post Office Box 1148  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Oil Conservation Commission  
State of New Mexico  
Post Office Box 871  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

*Case 5118*

Gentlemen:

Shell Oil Company, in behalf of itself and partners, respectfully requests that the temporary commingling permit (R-4289), expiring October 17, 1973, be extended until Antelope Ridge Unit 2 is depleted. Production would continue to be allocated on the basis of H<sub>2</sub>S content as approved in April 1972. As a result of attempting to resolve the commingling problem, two wells now share the same proration unit. As both wells are at a near marginal producing status, we propose sharing the Morrow proration unit with Unit Well 4.

Data pertaining to the commingling and subsequent workover problems are contained in considerable correspondence beginning in March 1972. Since our most recent letter dated April 18, 1972, the Morrow in the replacement well, ARU 4, has been fracture treated with disappointing results. Maximum capacity still remains at +700 MCF/D and it does not appear that it will be possible to effect reservoir communication with the zone producing in ARU 2.

Due to mechanical conditions that resulted in downhole commingling, production from the Morrow and Devonian in ARU 2 is currently allocated on the basis of H<sub>2</sub>S content. Comparison of the combined stream with a single zone Devonian (sour) gas well is made monthly to determine the amount of dilution and, in turn, the percentage of Morrow gas being produced. Attached are updated data showing the gas analysis and production curves showing the results of the allocation method.

To date, expenses to correct the commingling in ARU 2 total \$42,000. An additional \$453,000 has been spent in deepening ARU 4 to the Morrow in an effort to create a replacement drainage point that would permit abandonment of the zone in ARU 2.

DOCKET MAILED

Date 11-16-73

Briefly, we make the request to continue commingling for the following reasons:

1. A no-trouble repair of ARU 2 is estimated to cost an additional \$105,000. From experience in the deep gas wells in this area, the cost could easily double.
2. Experience has also shown that the chances of damaging the Morrow formation with workover fluids are not only possible but probable. The net result would be loss of valuable reserves.
3. In its present condition, pressures are contained below packers and the present producing method is relatively safe. Because of lost circulation problems encountered in previous workover attempts, a safety and potential fire hazard exists if workover efforts are pursued.
4. The wells and zones involved are either marginal now or approaching marginal status. The combined stream from the Devonian and two Morrow zones is less than four million cubic feet per day. Well No. 4 has a maximum capacity of 740 MCF gas per day and makes four barrels condensate and four barrels water while the commingled well that includes the water-drive Devonian zone produces gas at the rate of three million cubic feet per day and 23 barrels condensate plus 25 barrels water. Both wells are producing into the 520 psi gathering system.
5. Shell operates the only Devonian wells on the small closure at Antelope Ridge; however, the field now has an additional operator in the Atoka and Morrow zones. From the data obtained from reservoir interference tests in ARU 2 and 4 that are located some 800 feet apart, it is doubtful that commingled production would change or be influenced by production from the new offset well.
6. The Morrow and Devonian reserves in the subject wells are either marginal or approaching the advanced stages of depletion.

Since a high risk of failure accompanied by an expensive workover is present, we recommend that our request for permanent commingling on Antelope Ridge Unit 2 be approved.

Very truly yours,

Shell Oil Company  
Unit Operator

*W. J. Quigley*  
for Jack L. Mahaffey  
Production Manager  
Mid-Continent Division

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Attachments

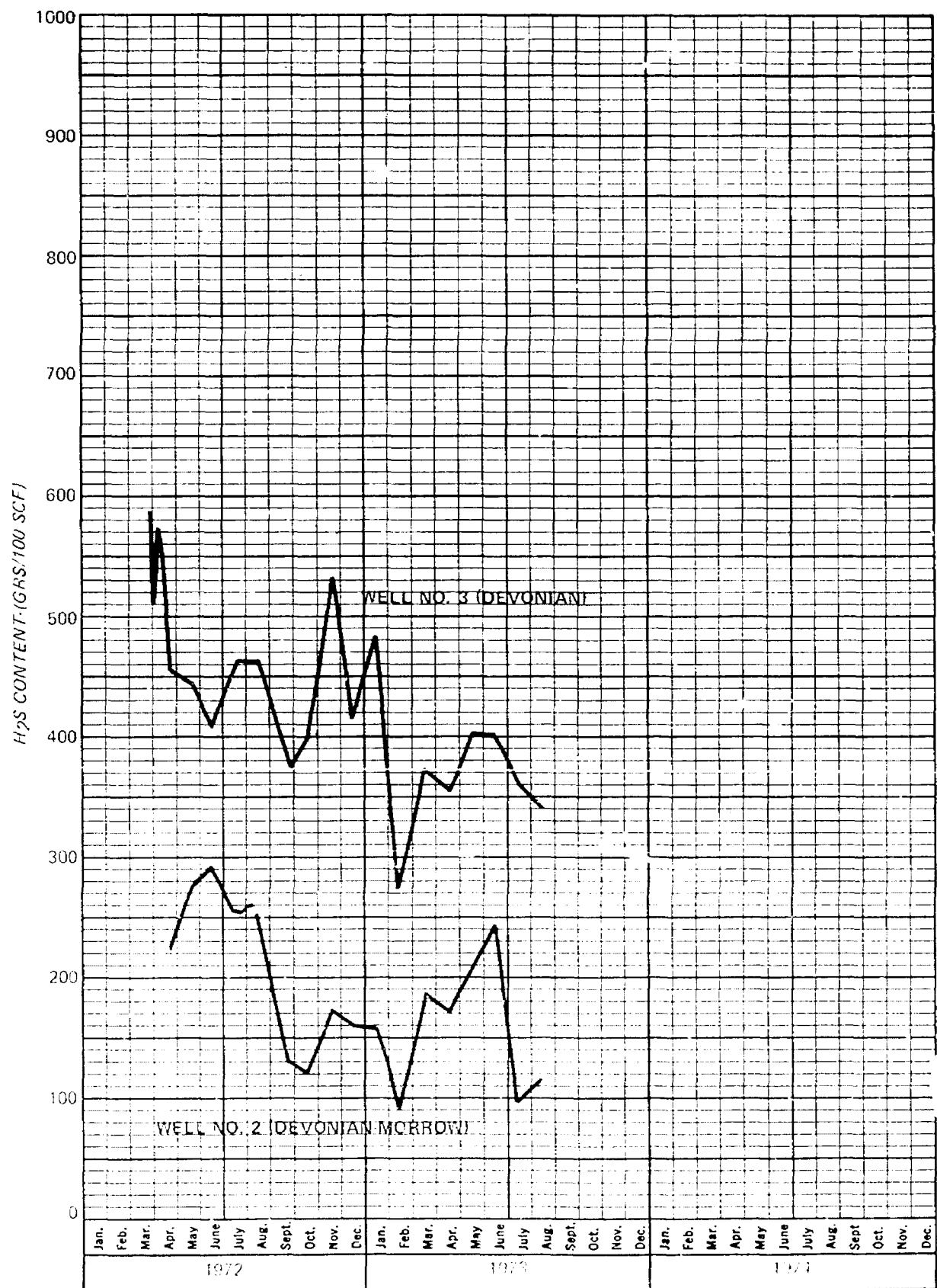
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ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
AUGUST 31, 1973

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H<sub>2</sub>S CONTENT  
 ANTELOPE RIDGE FIELD  
 AUGUST 31, 1973



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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 5118

Order No. R- 4289-A

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY  
FOR AN EXTENSION OF ORDER NO. R-4289,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

*[Handwritten signatures]*

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on December 3, 1933,  
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this        day of December, 1933, the Commission,  
a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record,  
and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised  
in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by  
law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject  
matter thereof.

(2) That Shell Oil Company seeks an extension of ~~the~~  
downhole commingling authority granted by Order No. R-4289 for  
applicant's Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of  
Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Antelope Ridge  
Field, Lea County, New Mexico.

(3) That ~~communication~~ <sup>pursuant to the authority granted by Order R-2787</sup> the subject well was completed as a dual completion (Conventional) to produce gas from the Antelope Ridge - Morrow Pennsylvanian and the Antelope Ridge - Devonian Gas Pools.

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Order No. R-

(4) That communication between the two zones developed in the Fall of 1971 due to mechanical difficulties.

(3) ~~That downhole commingling resulted from mechanical difficulties.~~

(5) That the applicant has expended substantial sums and diligent effort to remedy or alleviate the situation to no avail.

(6) That one or both of the producing zones might be lost or damaged during <sup>further</sup> workover operations.

(7) That the method of allocating production to each of the commingled zones upon the basis of the H<sub>2</sub>S content of the commingled stream will protect correlative rights.

(8) That approval of the subject application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, is hereby authorized an ~~indefinite~~ extension of Order No. R-4289, which order authorized temporary downhole commingling of the Morrow Pennsylvanian and Devonian production in the wellbore in its Antelope Ridge Well No. 2, located in Unit B of Section 4, Township 24 South, Range 34 East, Antelope Ridge Field, Lea County, New Mexico, until further order of the Commission.

(2) That ~~the exercising of~~ jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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

(7) That the proposed reservoir characteristics of the Antelope Ridge Morrow Pennsylvanian and Antelope Ridge Devonian zones in the subject well are such that underground water would not be caused by a continuation of the commingling in the wellbore.