CASE 5844: SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINCLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.

582/4

APPlication,
Transcripts,
Small Exhibits,

ETC.

Jile 584d

JICARILLA "C" LEASE OTERO CHACRA & SOUTH BLANCO PICTURED CLIFFS FIELDS Sections 21, 22, 27, 28, 33 & 34, T25N, R5W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

	-					
	GAS PRO	DUCTION - MI	LLION CUBIC FEET		ORIGINAL	CURRENT
Well No.	Ultimate	Cumulative	Remaining 10 MO.	RATE	BHP/Z	BHP/Z
0. 70	000	77.A	المستشد		1000	
9 PC	900	750	150 34	1.50	1050	250
9 C	680	550	13046	0.70	1150	300
			280			en.
10 PC	900	655	24466	1.80	² 850	200
10 C	900	775	125	1.00	1000	250
			267			
11, PC	200*	- 120	80×2 4	0.15		
11 C	860	660	200 7/2	0.80	1200	310
		, and the second second	280 100	••••	\$775	
						,
12 PC	180*	80	100* 53	0.10		
12 C	200	110	90 19	0.05	1100	550
The state of the same with	u in diametricana i i green au		190 100			
13 PC	200*	· 115	85 * 63	0.30	•	
13 C	300	2 50	50.37	0.05	1100	300
			13570			
15 PC	500	450	50 48	1.00		200
15 C	340	275	65.67	0.05	1100	300
15 0	540	213	113-700	0.05	1100	300
17 PC	760	560	200 92	1.60	~	240
17 C	335	290		0.05	950	240
		·* .	245			
: 19 PC	620*	505	115* 50	1.70		
19 FC 19 C	740	625	115 60/	1.85	1000	275
17 0	740	025	230	1.00	1000	213
			230		ı	

DATA IS TO 7-1-76

* ESTIMATED

BEFORE EVALUATION MUTTER
ON COMERNATION COMMISSION
EXHIBIT NO. ______
CASE NO. 584U



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 · SANTA FE 87501

LAND COMMISSIONER
PHIL R. LUCERO
March 16, 1977



STATE GEOLOGIST EMERY C. ARNOLD

DIRECTOR
JOE D. RAMEY

Aztec OCC_

Other

		4.4	
m Chapton B Diologte	Re:	CASE NO. 5844	·
r. Chester E. Blodgett		ORDER NO. R-5388	
enior Attorney	•		
etty Oil Company			i Abj
ox 1650		Applicant:	
ulsa, Oklahoma			
and the state of		0.44 0.11 0.	
		Getty Oil Com	pany
₹ .			•
Dear Sir:			
			4.
Yours very truly,			
Jol Mamey			
JOE D. RAMEY		**	
Director		K	
		•	$^{\prime}$
JDR/fd			•
Copy of order also sen	nt to:	•	
• •			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Hobbs OCC *			•

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. 5844 Order No. R-5388

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 2, 1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 15th day of March, 1977, 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, Skelly Oil Company, is the owner and operator of the Jicarilla "C" Wells Nos. 9 and 17, located in Units K and D, Section 28; Nos. 11 and 19 in Units L and I, Section 27; Nos. 12 and 13 in Units C and B, Section 33; No. 10 in Unit M, Section 22; and No. 15 in Unit G of Section 34, all in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs and Otero-Chacra production within the wellbores of the above-described wells.
- (4) That from the Pictured Cliffs zone, each of the subject wells is capable of low marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Chacra zone, each of the subject wells is capable of low marginal production only.

-2-Case No. 5844 Order No. R-5388

- (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.
- (7) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling provided that none of the wells is not shut-in for an extended period.
- (8) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Aztec district office of the Commission any time any of the subject wells is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in each of the subject wells, 60 percent of the production should be allocated to the Pictured Cliffs zone, and 40 percent of the commingled production to the Chacra zone.
- (10) That applicant further seeks the establishment of an administrative procedure for approval of the commingling downhole of additional wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Skelly Oil Company, is hereby authorized to commingle South Blanco-Pictured Cliffs and Otero-Chacra production within the wellbores of the Jicarilla "C" Wells Nos. 9 and 17, located in Units K and D, Section 28; Nos. 11 and 19 in Units L and I, Section 27; Nos. 12 and 13 in Units C and B, Section 33; No. 10 in Unit M, Section 22; and No. 15 in Unit G of Section 34, all in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (2) That 60 percent of the commingled production shall be allocated to the Pictured Cliffs zone and 40 percent of the production shall be allocated to the Chacra zone.
- (3) That the operator of the subject wells shall immediately notify the Commission's Aztec district office any time any of the wells have been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.

-3-Case No. 5844 Order No. R-5388

- That the Secretary-Director of the Commission is hereby authorized to approve commingling of Pictured Cliffs and Chacra production in the wellbore of any well drilled in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (5) That to obtain approval for the downhole commingling of Pictured Cliffs and Chacra production in the wellbore of any well completed in the aforedescribed area, the operator of said well shall file one copy of the request for such approval with the Secretary-Director of the Commission and one copy with the Supervisor of the Commission District Office at Aztec. Such request shall contain evidence as to the productivity or expected productivity of each of the aforesaid formations proposed to be commingled, as well as reservoir pressures encountered or expected to be encountered. In addition, data shall be submitted which will enable the Secretary-Director to prescribe an allocation formula for allocating production to each of the formations to be commingled.
- (6) The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall have authority to rescind downhole commingling authority granted for any well prior to its completion if data available upon completion of the well indicates greater than marginal production from either or both of the commingled formations or a pressure differential between the commingled formations which might cause waste.
- 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

. LUCERO, Chairman

RNOLD, Member

ember & Secretary

dr/

			Page	1	
1	Ne FO	RE THE	•	*	
	NEW MEXICO OIL CON		COMMISS	SION	
2		New Mexico			
	Februar	y 2, 1977			
3	PYAMINE	R HEARING			
4		10 223711022003	•		
		و بناه اولی بناه بناه نور بناه نام افتو بناه بناه از از			
5	TN MUD MAMMAD OD)	
6	IN THE MATTER OF:		,	}	
	Application of Skelly Oi	1 Company	for) CASE	
7	downhole commingling, Ri			5844	
	County, New Mexico.		2).	
8			?)	
_					
9	BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Exa	miner			
10					:
		<i>4</i>			5
11	TRANSCRIP	T OF HEARIN	NG.		
12	,				
	APPEA	RANCE	S		
13	-				
	For the New Mexico Oil	Lynn Tesch			
14	Conservation Commission:	Legal Cour			
15		State Land Santa Fe,			g
15		Santa re,	Mew Me	SXICO	
16	For the Applicant:	Chester E.	. Blode	get, Esq.	
		Legal Cour	nsel	_	
17		Getty Oil	Compar	ny	
		Tulsa, Okl	Lahoma	. Test	
18				en e	A 4 1
19		* .			
20	\$				

sid morrish reporting service
General Court Reporting Service
825 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Phone (505) 982-9212

INDEX

		Page
GERALD BROWN		
Direct Examination by Mr. Blodget		3
Cross Examination by Mr. Nutter	e e	10

EXHIBIT INDEX

		2 22 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	Offered	Admitted
Skelly Exhibit	One, Plat		4	10
Skelly Exhibit	Two, Schematics		5	10
Skelly Exhibit	Three, Curves		. . . 5	10
Skelly Exhibit	Four, Tabulation	; 1	6	10
Skelly Exhibit	Five, Tabulation	1	8	10

sid morrish reporting service Ceneral Court Reporting Service 825 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 Phone (505) 982-9212

MR. NUTTER: We will call Case Number 5844.

MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5844, application of Skelly Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

MR. BLODGET: Mr. Examiner, I'm Chester Blodget appearing for Skelly-Getty and I would like to make an announce ment at this time that effective December 31st at midnight, Skelly Oil Company was merged into Getty Oil Company and by operation of law Getty Oil Company has assumed all rights and obligations of Skelly Oil Company and, therefore, at least for the day, I know, I'm employed by Getty and I believe you have a notice from the local counsel entering an appearance in this case and stating that I would present the evidence.

MR. NUTTER: Yeah, for Skelly, not Getty.

MR. BLODGET: Well, that was written before the thirty-first.

We have one witness we would like to have sworn, please.

(THEREUPON, the witness was duly sworn.)

GERALD BROWN

called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXMINATION

BY MR. BLODGET:

sid morrish reporting service
General Court Reporting Service
325 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Phone (505) 982-9212

10

13

18

19

23

Would you please state your name, your occupation and
 by whom you are employed?

A. My name is Gerald Brown, I'm employed as a Senior Reservoir Engineer with Getty Oil Company in Denver.

- Q. And have you previously testified before this Commission and have your qualifications been accepted?
 - A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Are you familiar with this application that is now before the Commission?
 - A. I am.
- Q. And is Getty now the sole owner and operator of the oil and gas wells located in the Jicarilla "B" and the Jicarilla "C" leases in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West and the south half of 21 and the south half of 22, 27, 28, 31, 32 and the north half of 33 and the north half of 34 in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, New Mexico Prime Meridian, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico?
 - A. Yes.
- Q Do you have an exhibit showing the location of the wells in the area?
- A. Yes, Exhibit One shows in yellow the acreage owned by Getty. It's marked Skelly on the map, however. And also shown on this map is a well designation color which shows the different formations that are producing on these two leases. Included are the Pictured Cliffs, Chacra, Gallup and Dakota.

sid morrish reporting service
General Court Reporting Service
25 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 875
Phone (505) 982-9212

We will talk today only about the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra and only on the "C" lease.

- Q What wells does Getty want to commingle downhole, commingle the production downhole?
- A. We want to commingle all of those wells which are presently dually completed by means of a packer and tubing, mainly wells 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19.
- Q. All right, I call your attention to what has been marked Exhibit Two, would you describe that, please?
- A. Yes, this is a schematic of each of the previous wells mentioned, which shows the surface casing, the cement top, the perforations in both the Pictured Cliffs and the Chacra formations, the packer setting, the production casing setting and there is a separate schematic for each well.
- Number Three and if so would you describe that please?
- A. Yes, Exhibit Three also is a combination packet that covers each well individually and on each exhibit is shown a production curve from 1970 through 1979 and shown on this exhibit is when the first production commenced and this is between the period '57 through '60, 1957 through '60. However, only the last six years of production is shown on this map.

The Pictured Cliffs production is shown in a dotted line, the Chacra in a solid line.

sid morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service
25 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 875(
Phone (505) 982-9212

In the upper right-hand corner of each of these plots is a bottom-hole pressure over a compressibility factor versus cumulative gas for each of the formations. In some cases this pressure information wasn't available and only the one available was shown. In about half the cases both formations are shown, however.

This exhibits the fact that these wells are at an advanced stage of depletion, that pressures are low. In the Pictured Cliffs pressure averages on these eight wells, approximately two hundred and twenty-five pounds and in the Chacra three hundred and fifteen pounds.

The production in the Pictured Cliffs averages less than one million per month and the same is true of the Chacra.

- Q. Do you have an exhibit that summarizes the curves that are shown on Exhibit Three?
- A. Yes, Exhibit Four is a tabulation which is an interpretation of Exhibit Three. This was added simply to make an easy reference to Exhibit Three. It has on it the ultimate recovery predicted from this bottom-hole pressure over Z versus cumulative curve. It has the present cumulative, it has an interpretation of the remaining production in both the Pictured Cliffs and the Chacra. It has an average monthly rate on both the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra and it has an original bottom-hole pressure divided by compressibility

sid morrish reporting service
General Court Reporting Service
5 Calle Mejia, Phone 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87, Phone (40,5) 982-9717

factor and it has a current bottom-hole pressure divided by compressibility factor and all of these tabulations are taken directly from Exhibit Three.

All right, now, you are asking to commingle the production downhole, what is your main reason for asking for that?

A. Our only reason is to obtain more production in some wells and to get production from others from which we are not getting any at all at the present time.

Both the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra produce at very low rates. The reservoirs are very tight and the pressures are very low. The Chacra is presently producing under a packer through two and three-eighths tubing. The Pictured Cliffs is presently producing in the annular space between the tubing and the casing.

water and probably a little bit of condensate and even though this is small in quantity the wells aren't strong enough to lift it to the surface so we propose to unseat the packer in each of these wells, raise the tubing and commingle this production so that the zones can both produce through the tubing and we will also have the combined gas from both zones lifting these fluids through the tubing.

We think this will help us get these wells that are presently logged off completely producing and it will also help

sid morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service
alle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 875(
Phone (505) 982-9212

those that are being held back by the fluid in the wellbore.

It's an experiment and if it works it will result in a significant amount of additional recovery that otherwise will just be left as is.

- Q. By this operation, in your opinion, would the formations be damaged and waste caused by the commingling?
- A. No, they are very tight formations, the pressures are very low. Let me repeat those. In the Pictured Cliffs the average pressure, we believe, is two hundred and twenty-five pounds and in the Chacra three hundred and fifteen pounds, so the pressures are very low, very close. We don't believe there would be any thiefing and on the other side of it we believe we could produce more gas.
- Now, do you have an exhibit to show what you would recommend as percentage of production to allocate to each zone?
- A. Yes, Exhibit Five is another tabulation showing monthly production in the various zones, cumulative productions, a percentage of Pictured Cliffs and Chacra of the total, monthly production and a percentage of Pictured Cliffs and Chacra of the cumulative.

Prom this tabulation it appeared that fifty percent present, 1976 production, and a fifty percent cumulative production would be a good figure to use for allocating future production. In other words, the last column on this Exhibit Five is that calculation. On Well No. 9, for instance, using

sid morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service
825 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 8750

that formula any production coming after commingling sixtyfive percent would be attributed to the Fictured Cliffs and thirty-five percent to the Chacra.

0. All right. Copies of this application were sent to all of the offset operators and to the USGS, is that correct?

A. That is correct, and this included all operators even on acreage not covered by the eight wells we are talking about here. It also included the operators of the wells on the other lease in which we hope to continue this work in the future. If it's feasible on the "C" lease we would take it down to the "B" lease and possibly do some recompletions and perforations and try this same procedure.

Q. All right, now, in the application, it is also asked that the wells not currently dually completed in the Pictured Cliffs or the Chacra formations in contiguous Sections 5 and 6 of Township 24 North, Range 5 West and Sections 21 and 34 of Township 25 North, 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico be approved for commingling the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations only after administrative approval of the Commission and is it the request that there be a provision in the order, if an application is made in the future and all of the necessary information is furnished to satisfy the Commission, that administrative approval would be available?

A. Yes, we would like to have this ovision included.

Q Were Exhibits One through Five prepared by you or

morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service

Lie No. 127 Service Service

Lie No. 127 Service Service

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

under your direction?

A. They were.

MR. BLODGET: We move the admission of Exhibits One through Five and this closes our direct testimony.

MR. NUTTER: Skelly Exhibits One through Five will be admitted into evidence.

(THEREUPON, Skelly Exhibits One through Five were admitted into evidence.)

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

Mr. Brown, referring to your Exhibit Number Five and that final two columns out there to the right, the commingled percent suggested. Now, is that based more on the current rate of production or is it based on remaining reserves in each of the two formations?

A. No. We are flexible on this. It really doesn't make any difference to us how we do this, if the Commission has a good suggestion we will certainly go with that. This was simply a tabulation of the monthly production, the cumulative production and then I calculated a percentage monthly and a percentage cumulative. It had nothing to do with remaining.

Q And then is the final figure the average between percent monthly and percent cum?

A. Yes.

family of curves here in Exhibit Three, it has the little curve up at the top with the cum production versus P over Z.

Now, what abandonment pressure do you figure you will have in these reservoirs?

A. I used a hundred and fifty pounds in my estimation

of remaining recovery.

Q And are these little lines taken down to about a hundred and fifty pounds on those little curves up in the corner of these exhibits?

A Not necessarily. The lines were just extensions of the points that we had. That is why I have included Exhibit Four which actually goes into these curves on a hundred and fifty pound line.

Okay, that's what I was going to ask next. Then Exhibit Four on this estimated ultimate recovery would be these curves here on Exhibit Number Three taken down to a hundred and fifty pounds, is that it?

A. That is correct.

Q And then the current bottom-hole pressure over Z that is listed out here is for each of the zones in that individual well and what you were talking about awhile ago, three hundred and fifteen Chacra, two twenty-five Pictured Cliffs, is the average of all of the wells, is that it?

A. That is correct.

sid morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service
825 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Sant Fe, New Mexico 87501

δ	Okay.	Now,	in reque	esti	ing thi	is ad	dministrativ	ve	-
approval,	it woul	.d be	limited	to	these	two	formations	in	this
area?							•	-	

- A. That is our intention.
- O Put to these wells that are not presently dually completed in those.
 - A. Right.
- Q They may have one zone or the other but not both dually completed?
 - A. Or they may have neither also.

MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Brown? He may be excused.

(THEREUPON, the witness was excused.)

MR. NUTTER: Do you have anything further,

Mr. Blodget?

MR. BLODGET: I have nothing further.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Case Number 5844? We will take the case under advisement and a fifteen minute recess.

(THEREUPON, the hearing was in recess.)

21

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

22

23

2425

4 5

sid morrish reporting service

General Court Reporting Service
825 Calle Mejia, No. 122, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Phone (505) 982-9212

REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, SIDNEY F. MORRISH, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission was reported by me, and the same is a true and correct record of the said proceedings to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability.

Sidney F. Morrish, C.S.R.

i do nereby certify that the foregoing is a complete record of the proceedings in the Examiner hearing of Case No. 19.72...

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission

Dockets Nos. 6-71 and 7-77 are tentatively set for hearing on February 16 and March 9, 1977. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 2, 1977

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 5820: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Texas Oil & Gas Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the W/2 of Section 4, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 5834: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Sun Oil Company for directional drilling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to re-enter its Dessie Sawyer Well No. 2, the surface location of which is 2310 feet from the South and West lines of Section 27, Township 9 South, Range 36 East, Crossroads Siluro-Devonian Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, and to directionally drill said well in such a manner as to bottom it in the Siluro-Devonian formation within 50 feet of a point 2310 feet from the South line and 2540 feet from the West line of said Section 27.

CASE 5835: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Palmer 0il Company for non-standard proration units and unorthodox locations, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the following non-standard proration units in Township 31 North, Range 7 West, San Juan County, New Mexico: a 310.48-acre Basin-Dakota unit comprising Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 and the E/2 SW/4 and SE/4 of Section 2; the following Blanco Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Units: 323.39 acres comprising Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 and W/2 SW/4 of Section 3 and Lot 5 and the E/2 SE/4 and SW/4 SE/4 of Section 4; 320 acres comprising the E/2 SW/4 and S/2 SE/4 of Section 3 and NW/4 of Section 10; and 320 acres comprising the W/2 SW/4 of Section 2, N/2 SE/4 of Section 3, and NE/4 of Section 10; the following Fruitland and Pictured Cliffs Units: 150.48 acres comprising Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 and the E/2 SW/4 of Section 2; 175.76 acres comprising Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 and W/2 SW/4 of Section 3; 160 acres comprising the W/2 SW/4 of Section 2 and N/2 SE/4 of Section 3; 160 acres comprising the E/2 SW/4 and S/2 SE/4 of Section 3; and 147.63 acres comprising Lot 5 and the SW/4 SE/4 and E/2 SE/4 of Section 4.

Applicant proposes to dedicate the above lands to various wells to be drilled at orthodox and unorthodox locations as follows: Section 2: 2200 feet from South and 800 feet from East lines, and 800 feet from South and 1675 feet from West lines; Section 3: 800 feet from North and West lines, 800 feet from South and 1850 feet from West lines, and 1400 feet from South and 1110 feet from East lines; Section 4: 800 feet from South and East lines; Section 10: 1800 feet from North and 850 feet from West lines, and 1525 feet from North and 1850 feet from East lines.

CASE 5840: (Continued from January 19, 1977, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Dome Petroleum Corporation for pool creation and assignment of a discovery allowable, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Entrada production and the assignment of approximately 25,800 barrels of oil discovery allowable to the discovery well, being applicant's Federal 15 Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 15, Township 19 North, Range 5 West, McKinley County, New Mexico.

CASE 5843: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to consider the creation of a new pool for the production of gas from the Dakota and Morrison formations, said pool to be designated the Wagon Mound Dakota-Morrison Cas Pool and located in Township 21 North, Range 21 East, Mora County, New Mexico.

CASE 5844:

Application of Skelly 0il Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Pictured Cliffs and Chacra production in the wellbores of the Jicarilla "C" Wells Nos. 9 and 17 located in Units K and D, Section 28; Nos. 11 and 19 in Units L and I, Section 27; Nos. 12 and 13, Units C and B, Section 33; No. 10 in Unit M, Section 22; and No. 15 in Unit G, Section 34, all in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and to provide for administrative approval of the commingling downhole of additional wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West.



SKELLY OIL COMPANY

P. O. BOX 1650

TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74102

CHESTER E. BLODGET SENIOR ATTORNEY

January 5, 1977

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Skelly Oil Company for Downhole Commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing herewith the original and two copies of the above-referenced application.

We would appreciate your setting this matter for hearing on the February, 1977 Examiner's Docket, which we understand will be February 2, 1977. If this is not possible, then of course, we would like it set the next available date.

Yours very truly,

CEB:br Encl. Wester E. Blodget

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 5844

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

- 1. That Skelly Oil Company is the sole owner and operator of oil and gas wells located in their Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" leases in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections S/2 21, S/2 22, 27, 28, 31, 32, N/2 33, N/2 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- 2. That Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 are dual Pictured Cliffs-Chacra completions with the Chacra produced through 2-3/8" OD tubing set on a packer at depths varying from 3450' to 3630' in the several wells and the Pictured Cliffs being produced through the 2-3/8" 5-1/2" tubing-casing annular space, with the exception of Well No. 17 which is equipped with a 1" siphon string of tubing.
- 3. That these dually completed wells are capable only of low rates of production from both the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations, and that the reservoir pressures are low in both formations.
- 4. That due to the low pressures and producing volumes of the separate reservoirs, produced fluids, even though low in volume, collect in the tubing and tubing-casing annular space and inhibit the production of natural gas from both formations.
- 5. That the combined volume of Pictured Cliffs gas and Chacra gas when flowing together through the tubing only, could more effectively remove the well fluids from the wellbore and thereby increase gas flow rate and ultimate recovery from both formations.
- 6. That Skelly Oil Company be granted authority to commingle the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations by unseating the 2-3/8" tubing from the production packer in our Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- 7. That the wells not currently dually completed in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations in contiguous Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, be approved for commingling in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations upon administrative approval of this Commission.
- 8. That all of the offset operators have been notified of this application by sending them a copy of same. The offset operators are:

Amerada Hess Corporation P. O. Box 1486 Williston, North Dakota 58801

AMOCO Production Company 501 Airport Road Farmington, New Mexico 87401

El Paso Natural Gas Company P. O. Box 990 Farmington, New Mexico 87401 Gulf Energy & Minerals Company P. O. Box 2619 Casper, Wyoming 82602

Southern Union Production Company 208 East Apache Farmington, New Mexico 87401

USGS P. O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

9. That the granting of this application will avoid waste, allow the recovery of gas and other hydrocarbons which would not otherwise be recovered, and would not violate correlative rights.

9 K 28 V 13 B 33 V 10 M 22 V 15 G 34 V 11 L 27 V 17 D 28 V 12 C 33 V 19 L 27 V WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Applicant prays that this Commission set this matter down for hearing, that notice thereof be given as required by law, and that at the conclusion of said hearing based on the evidence adduced enter its order allowing Skelly Oil Company to commingle the production from the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations within the wellbore of its wells in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and to provide for administrative approval of the commingling downhole of Skelly Oil Company wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and for such other orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the premises.

Respectfully submitted, SKELLY OIL COMPANY

By Chester E. Blodget

Of Counsel: Mr. L. C. White White, Koch, Kelly & McCarthy 220 Otero Street P. O. Box 787 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY) OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO CASE NO. ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

- That Skelly Oil Company is the sole owner and operator of oil and gas wells located in their Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" leases in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections S/2 21, S/2 22, 27, 28, 31, 32, N/2 33, N/2 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- That Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 are dual Pictured Cliffs-Chacra completions with the Chacra produced through 2-3/8" OD tubing set on a packer at depths varying from 3450' to 3630' in the several wells and the Pictured Cliffs being produced through the 2-3/8" - 5-1/2" tubing-casing annular space, with the exception of Well No. 17 which is equipped with a 1" siphon string of tubing.
- 3. That these dually completed wells are capable only of low rates of production from both the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations, and that the reservoir pressures are low in both formations.
- That due to the low pressures and producing volumes of the separate reservoirs, produced fluids, even though low in volume, collect in the tubing and tubing-casing annular space and inhibit the production of natural gas from both formations.
- 5. That the combined volume of Pictured Cliffs gas and Chacra gas when flowing together through the tubing only, could more effectively remove the well fluids from the wellbore and thereby increase gas flow rate and ultimate recovery from both formations.
- 6. That Skelly Oil Company be granted authority to commingle the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations by unseating the 2-3/8" tubing from the production packer in our Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- That the wells not currently dually completed in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations in contiguous Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, be approved for commingling in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations upon administrative approval of this Commission.
- 8. That all of the offset operators have been notified of this application by sending them a copy of same. The offset operators are:

Amerada Hess Corporation P. O. Box 1486 Williston, North Dakota 58801

AMOCO Production Company Farmington, New Mexico 87401

El Paso Natural Gas Company P. O. Box 990 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

501 Airport Road

Gulf Energy & Minerals Company P. O. Box 2619 Casper, Wyoming 82602

Southern Union Production Company 208 East Apache Farmington, New Mexico 87401

USGS P. O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

9. That the granting of this application will avoid waste, allow the recovery of gas and other hydrocarbons which would not otherwise be recovered, and would not violate correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Applicant prays that this Commission set this matter down for hearing, that notice thereof be given as required by law, and that at the conclusion of said hearing based on the evidence adduced enter its order allowing Skelly Oil Company to commingle the production from the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations within the wellbore of its wells in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and to provide for administrative approval of the commingling downhole of Skelly Oil Company wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and for such other orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY

Chester E. Blodget

Of Counsel: Mr. L. C. White White, Koch, Kelly & McCarthy 220 Otero Street P. O. Box 787 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY) OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO) ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 5844

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Skelly Oil Company and alleges and states:

- 1. That Skelly Oil Company is the sole owner and operator of oil and gas wells located in their Jicarilla "B" and Jicarilla "C" leases in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections S/2 21, S/2 22, 27, 28, 31, 32, N/2 33, N/2 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- 2. That Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 are dual Pictured Cliffs-Chacra completions with the Chacra produced through 2-3/8" OD tubing set on a packer at depths varying from 3450' to 3630' in the several wells and the Pictured Cliffs being produced through the 2-3/8" 5-1/2" tubing-casing annular space, with the exception of Well No. 17 which is equipped with a 1" siphon string of tubing.
- 3. That these dually completed wells are capable only of low rates of production from both the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations, and that the reservoir pressures are low in both formations.
- 4. That due to the low pressures and producing volumes of the separate reservoirs, produced fluids, even though low in volume, collect in the tubing and tubing-casing annular space and inhibit the production of natural gas from both formations.
- 5. That the combined volume of Pictured Cliffs gas and Chacra gas when flowing together through the tubing only, could more effectively remove the well fluids from the wellbore and thereby increase gas flow rate and ultimate recovery from both formations.
- 6. That Skelly Oil Company be granted authority to commingle the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations by unseating the 2-3/8" tubing from the production packer in our Jicarilla "C" Well Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and 19 in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- 7. That the wells not currently dually completed in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations in contiguous Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, Hew Mexico, be approved for commingling in the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations upon administrative approval of this Commission.
- 8. That all of the offset operators have been notified of this application by sending them a copy of same. The offset operators are:

Amerada Hess Corporation P. O. Box 1486 Williston, North Dakota 58801

P. O. Box 2619
Casper, Wyoming 82602
Southern Union Production Company

AMOCO Production Company 501 Airport Road Farmington, New Mexico 87401

208 East Apache Farmington, New Mexico 87401

Gulf Energy & Minerals Company

El Paso Natural Gas Company P. O. Box 990 Farmington, New Mexico 87401 USGS P. O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

9. That the granting of this application will avoid waste, allow the recovery of gas and other hydrocarbons which would not otherwise be recovered, and would not violate correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Applicant prays that this Commission set this matter down for hearing, that notice thereof be given as required by law, and that at the conclusion of said hearing based on the evidence adduced enter its order allowing Skelly Oil Company to commingle the production from the Pictured Cliffs and Chacra formations within the wellbore of its wells in Sections 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and to provide for administrative approval of the commingling downhole of Skelly Oil Company wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 North, Range 5 West NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and for such other orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

SKELLY OIL COMPANY

Chester E. Blodget

Of Counsel:
Mr. L. C. White
White, Koch, Kelly & McCarthy
220 Otero Street
P. O. Box 787
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 9
Loc. K Sec. 28, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

00000000

242' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

2500' Top of cement

2620-2654' PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

3453' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

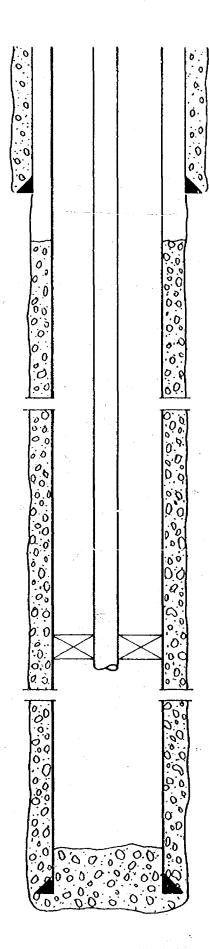
3470'-3512' CHACRA Perforations

BEFORE EXAMINER NUTTER
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Selly EXHIBIT NO. 2CASE NO. 5 844

3527' PBTD

3586' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 10
Loc. M Sec. 22, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



211' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

1900' Top of cement

2802-2850 PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

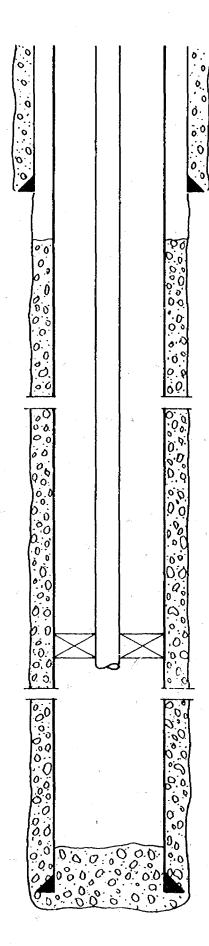
3582' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

3660-3700 CHACRA Perforations

3715' PBTD

3760' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 11
Loc. L Sec. 27, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



242' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

2500' Top of cement

2723-2758 PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

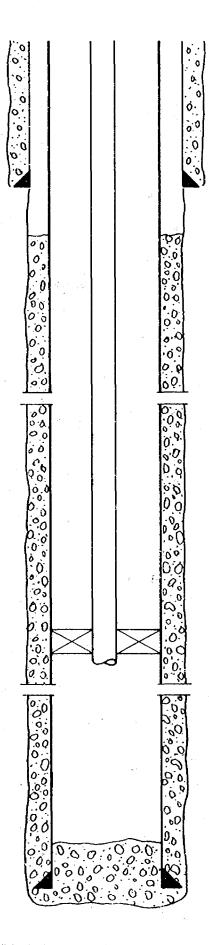
3561' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

3583-3602 CHACRA Perforations

3619' PBTD

3665' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 12
Loc. C Sec. 33, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



231' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/250 sacks cement circulated to surface

1825' Top of cement

2714-2727' PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

3469' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

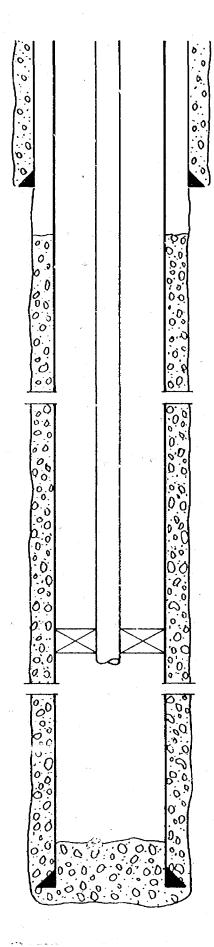
3550-3572 CHACRA Perforations 3654-3680

3690' PBTD

3735' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

FXHIRII

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 13
Loc. B Sec. 33, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



233' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

1910' Top of cement

2766-2790' PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

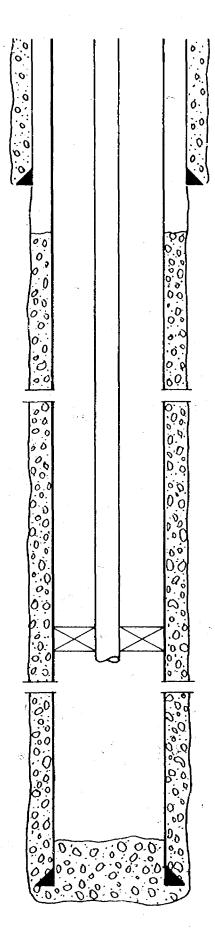
3560' 2-3/8" OD ...7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

3606-3654'CHACRA Perforations 3706-3750'

3760' PBTD

3815' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 15
Loc. G Sec. 34, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



222' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

2100' Top of cement

2886-2910' PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations

3648' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

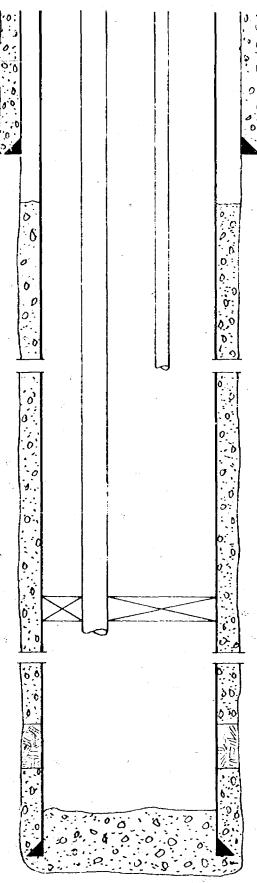
3726-3775' CHACRA Perforations

3871' PBTD

3908' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/400 sacks cement

EXHIBIT _

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DENVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 17
Loc. D Sec. 28, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



329' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/300 sacks cement circulated to surface

2275' Top of cement

2631-2667 PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations 2642'1" Siphon tubing

3450 2-3/8 OD=4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

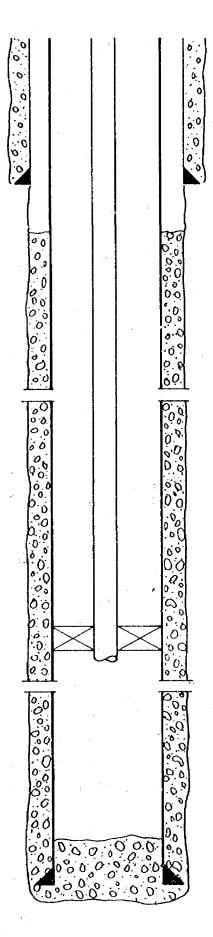
3500-3530 CHACRA Perforations 3590-3613

3721' DV Tool 3721'-4210' Drilling mud 4210' Top of cement

4590' PBTD

4840' 5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set'& cemented w/500 sacks cement

SKELLY OIL COMPANY
DERVER DISTRICT
Jicarilla "C" Well No. 19
Loc. I Sec, 27, T25N-R5W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico



221' 10-3/4" 32.75# casing w/200 sacks cement circulated to surface

1500' Top of cement

2799-2816 PICTURED CLIFFS Perforations 2840-2847

3630' 2-3/8" OD 4.7# tubing set in Baker Model "D" Packer

3658'-3700' CHACRA Perforations 3724'-3734' 3742'-3746' 3750'-3784'

3819'PBTD

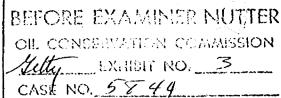
3849'5-1/2" 14# J-55 casing set & cemented w/500 sacks cement

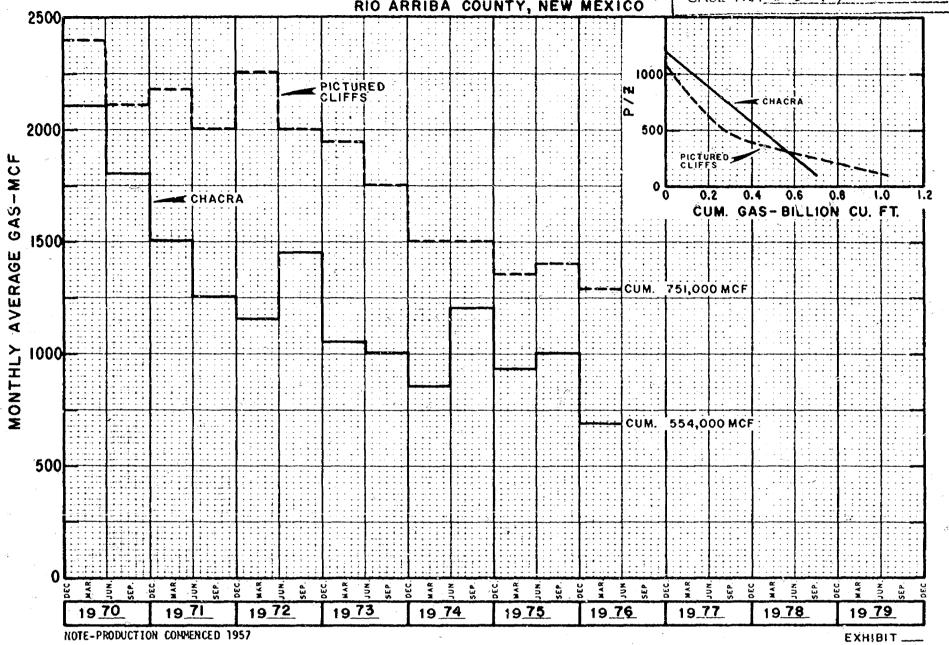
Present as the co

SKELLY OIL COMPANY DENVER DISTRICT

JICARILLA "C" WELL No. 9

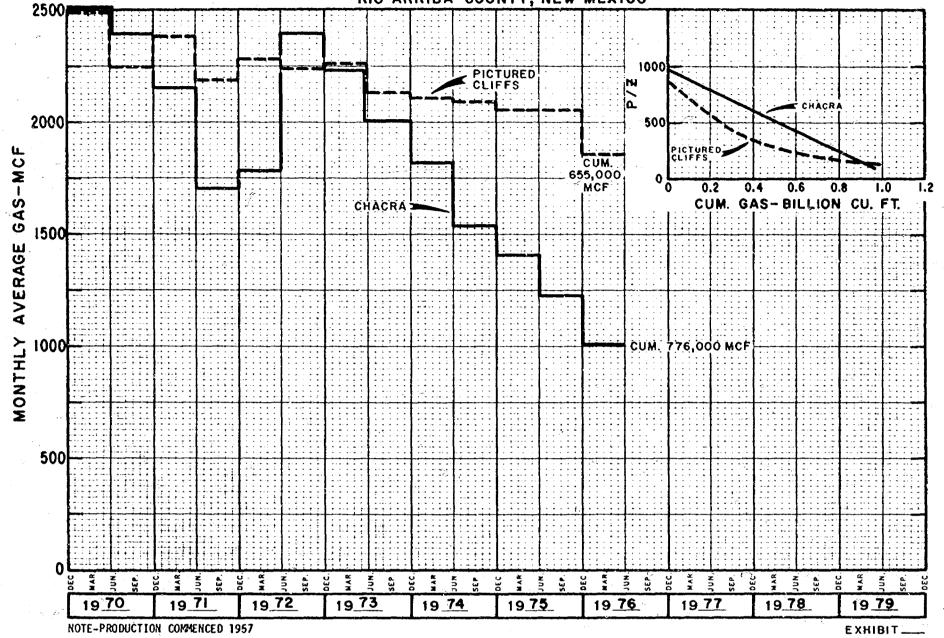
Loc. M Sec. 28-T 25 N-R 5 W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO





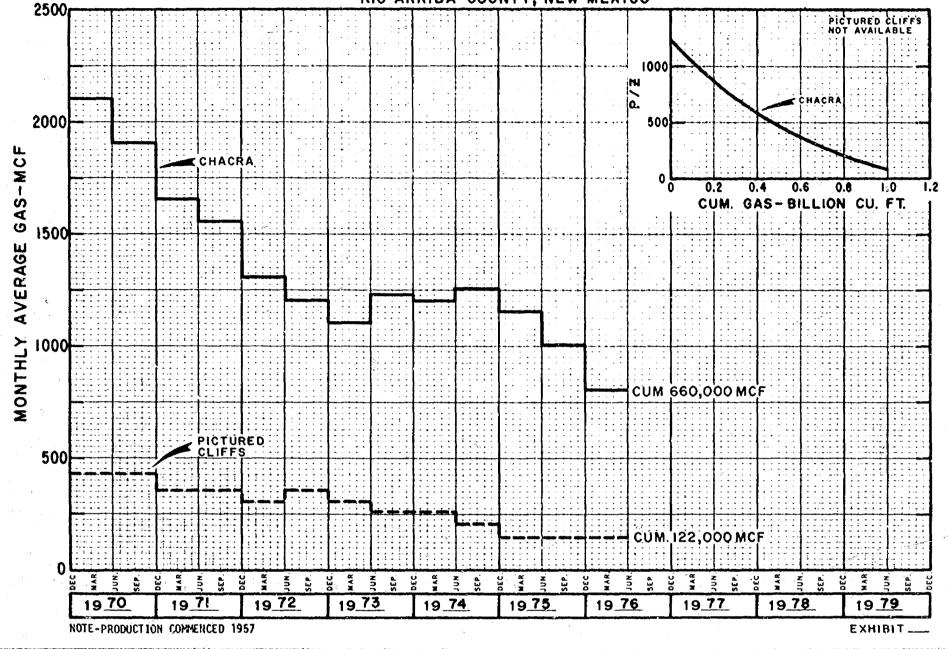
JICARILLA "C" WELL No.10

LOC. M Sec. 22-T 25 N-R 5 W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

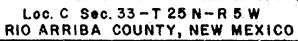


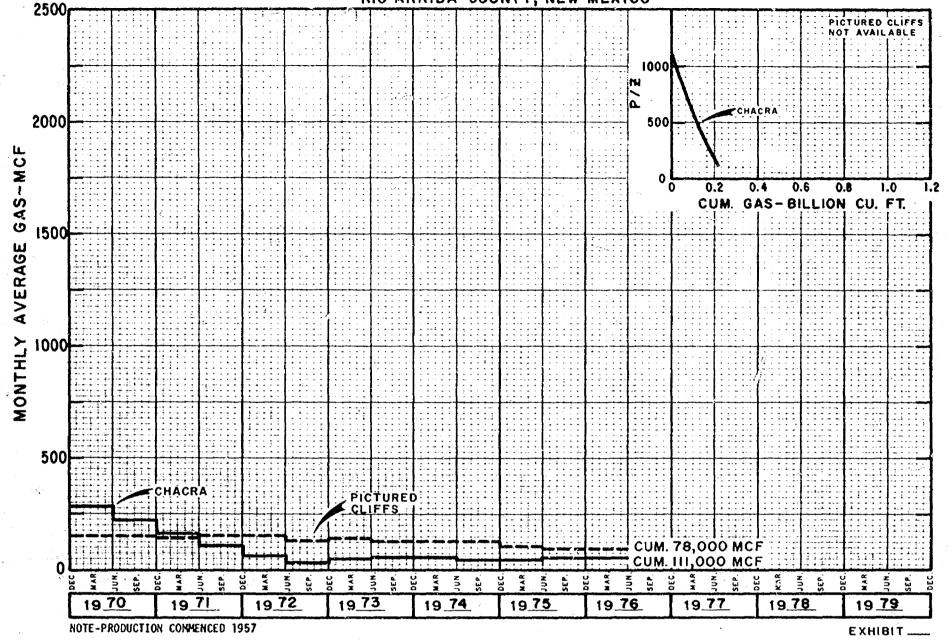
JICARILLA "C" WELL No. II

LOC. L Sec. 27-T 25 N-R 5 W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



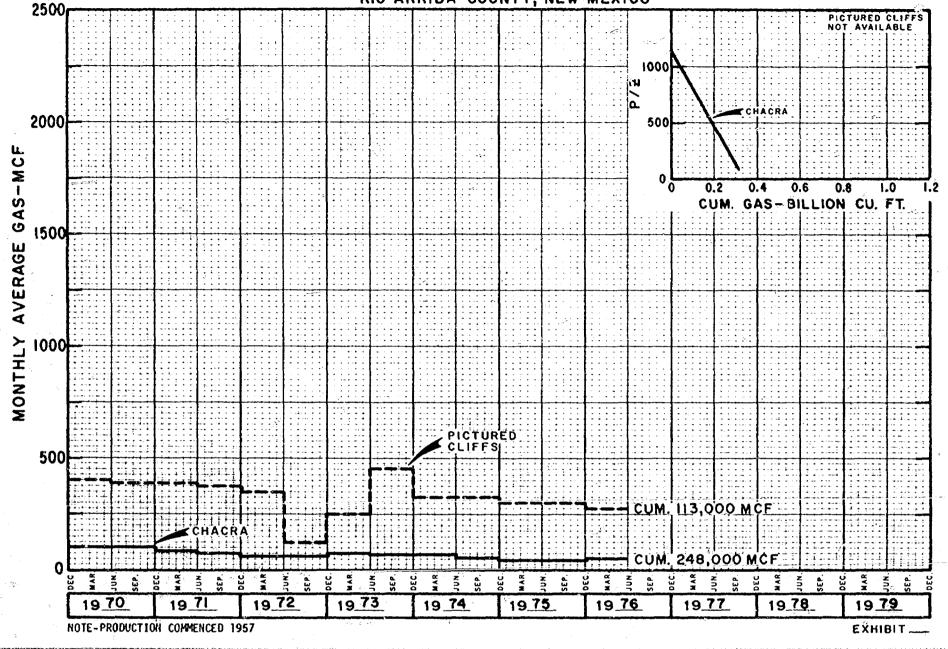
JICARILLA "C" WELL No. 12



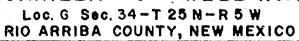


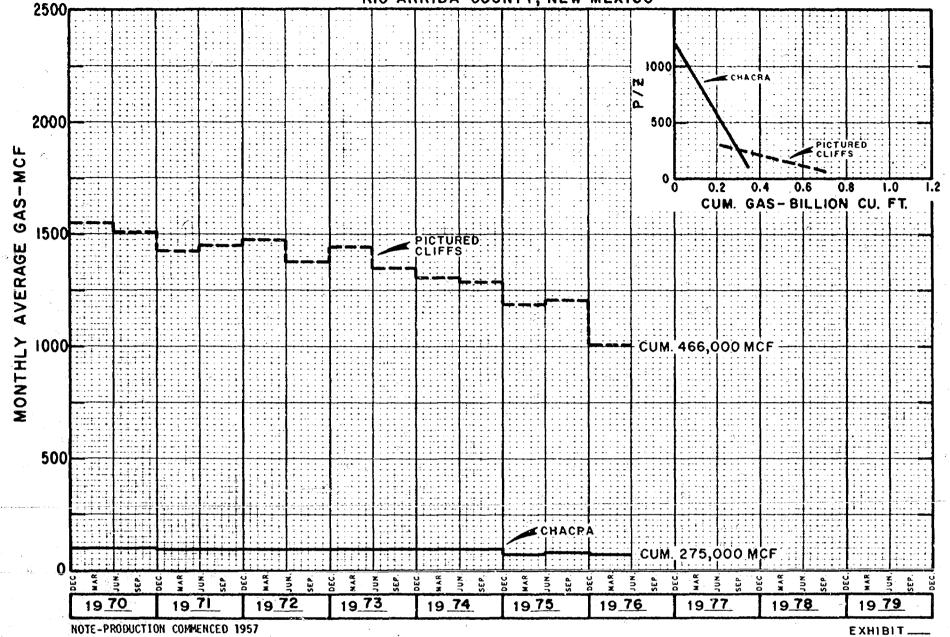
JICARILLA "C" WELL No. 13

Loc. B Sec. 33-T 25 N-R 5 W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



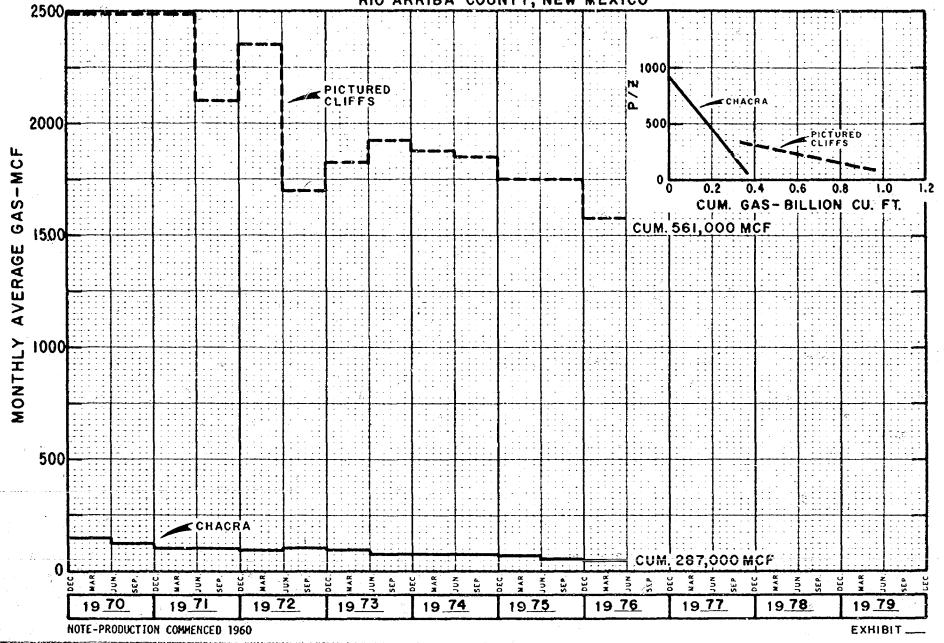
JICARILLA "C" WELL No.15



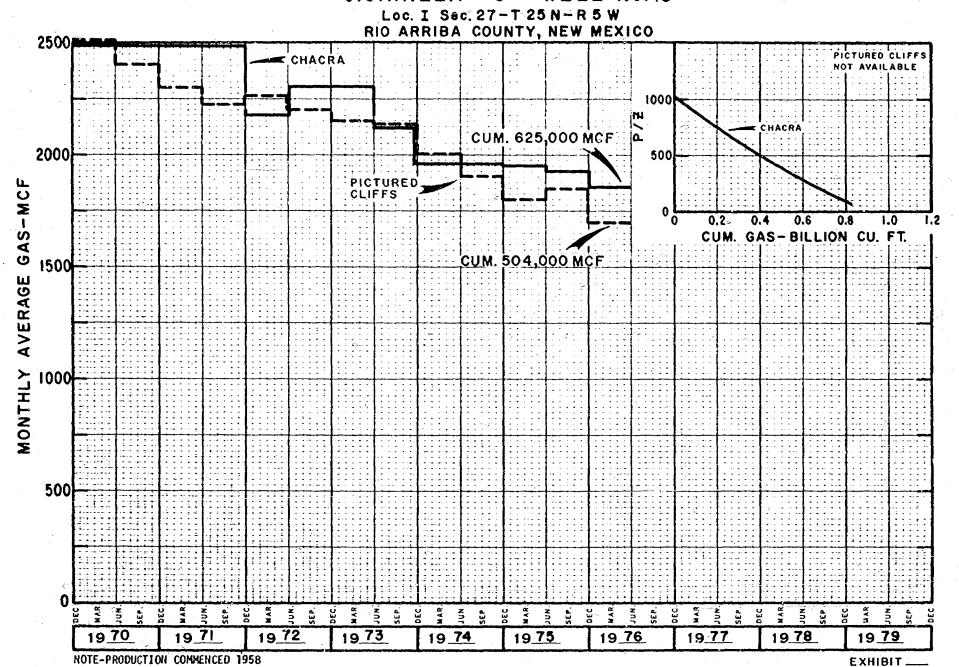


JICARILLA "C" WELL No. 17

Loc. D Sec. 28-T 25 N-R 5 W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



JICARILLA "C" WELL No. 19



SKELLY OIL COMPANY JICARILLA "C" LEASE RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PICTURED CLIFFS AND CHACRA FORMATIONS DUAL COMPLETIONS

PRODUCTION-MILLION CUBIC FEET 1976 MONTHLY 7-1-76 CUMULATIVE						PERCENT MONTHLY		PERCENT CUMULATIVE		COMMINGLED PERCENT SUGGESTED*	
WELL	P-CLIFFS	CHACRA	P-CLIFFS	CHACRA	P-CLIFFS	CHACRA	P-CLIFFS	CHACRA	P-CLIFFS	CHACRA	
9 10 11 12 13 15 17	1.80 1.85 0.80 0.10 0.25 1.00 1.57	0.70 1.00 0.15 0.05 0.05 0.07 0.05 2.40	751 655 660 78 113 466 561	544 766 122 111 248 275 287 625	72 65 84 67 83 93 97	28 35 16 33 17 7 3 56	58 46 84 41 31 63 66 45	42 54 16 59 69 37 34 55	65 55 80 55 55 75 75 80 45	35 45 15 35 35 25 20 55	
TOTALS	9.27	4.47	3,788	2,978	67	33	56	44	5 2		
12/76	*Based upon 50% 1976 production-50% cumulative.					G1.5 38.5			EXHIBIT		
						60		BEFORE EXAMINER NUT			
Samuel Samuel Samuel Samuel				e Solven			CL	CONSERV	TION COMM	ISSION	

January 10,1977

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> : In the matter of the application of Skelly Oil Company for Downhole Commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

I have enclosed my entry of appearance on behalf of Skelly Oil Company in the above-captioned matter.

Very truly yours,

Kewhite.

L. C. WHITE

LCW:m enclosure as indicated of/8700 cc: C. E. Blodget

> L. C. White Sumner S. Koch William Booker Kelly John F. McCarthy, Jr. Kenneth Bateman Benjamin Phillips

C. Emery Cuddy, Jr. Larry C. White

220 Otero St., P.O. Box 787, (505)982-4374, Santa Fe, N.M. 87501

Attorneys and Counselors at Law

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case No. 5844

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

L. C. White, of White, Koch, Kelly & McCarthy, hereby enters his appearance of behalf of Skelly Oil Company in the above-captioned matter.

T. C. WHITE

dr/

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. 5844

Order No. R- 5388

APPLICATION OF SKELLY OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on February 2,

1977, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this ______ day of February, 1977, 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, Skelly Oil Company, is the owner and operator of the Jicarilla "C" Wells Nos. 9 and 17, located in Units K and D, Section 28; Nos. 11 and 19 in Units L and I, Section 27; Nos. 12 and 13 in Units C and B, Section 33; No. 10 in Unit M, Section 22; and No. 15 in Unit G of Section 34, all in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

1

-2-Case No. 5844 Order No. R-

- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle South Blanco.

 OferoPictured Cliffs and Chacra production within the wellbores of the above-described wells.
- the above-described wells.

 (4) That from the Pictured Cliffs zone, the subject wells is capable of low marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Chacra zone, the subject wells is capable of low marginal production only.
- (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.
- (7) That the reservoir charactieristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be none of was caused by the proposed commingling provided that the wells is not shut-in for an extended period.
- (8) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Aztec district and of is office of the Commission any time the subject wells are shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject wells, 60 percent of the commingled production should be allocated to the Pictured Change zone, and 40 percent of the commingled production to the Chacra zone.

IT 1S THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Skelly Oil Company, is hereby

 Sauth Places Otors

 authorized to commingle Pictured Cliffs and Chacra production

 within the wellbores of the Jicarilla "C" Wells Nos. 9 and 17,

 located in Units K and D, Section 28; Nos. 11 and 19 in Units L

 and I, Section 27; Nos. 12 and 13 in Units C and B, Section 33;
- (10) That applicant further seeks the Ortablishment y an administrative procedure for approval of the commingling downhole of additional wells in Sections 5 and 6, Township 24 North, Range 5 West, and Sections 21 and 34, Town-

No. 10 in Unit M, Section 22; and No. 15 in Unit G of Section 34, all in Township 25 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

- production shall be allocated to the Pictural Cliffs zone and

 40 percent of the commingled production

 shall be allocated to the Chacra zone.
- (3) That the operator of the subject wells shall immediately notify the Commission's Aztec district office any time any of the wells have been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.

o de la constante

- (4) That the Secretary-Director of the Commission is hereby anthorized to approve comminging of Pictured Cloffa and Chacra production in the wellow of any well drilled in Sections 5 and 6, Tawnship 24 Worth, Range 6 west, NMPM, and Sections 21 and 34, Township 25 north, Pange 5 west, NMPM, Dio Cerriba County, New Sheepies.
- (5) That to obtain approval for the downhole commingling of Pictured Cliffs and Chasta? production in the wellbore of any well completed in the aforedescribed area, the operator of said well shall file one copy of the request for such approval with the Secretary-Director of the Commission and one copy with the Supervisor of the Commission District Office at Aztec. Such request shall contain evidence as to the productivity or expected productivity of each of the aforesaid formations proposed to be commingled, as well as reservoir pressures encountered or expected to be encountered. In addition, data shall be submitted which will enable the Secretary-Director to prescribe an allocation formula for allocating production to each of the formations to be commingled.

- The Secretary-Director of the Commission shall have authority to rescind downhole commingling authority granted for any well prior to its completion if data available upon completion of the well indicates greater than marginal production from either or both of the commingled formations or a pressure differential between the commingled formations which might cause waste.
- (7) 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.