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February 20, 1980

Mr. Thomas <u>Kellahin</u> Kellahin & Kellahin Attorneys at <u>Law</u> Post Office Box 1769	Re:	CASE NO. 6794 ORDER NO. R-6268 Applicant:
Santa Fe, New Mexico		
		Caulkins Oil Company
Dear Sir:		
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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

CASE NO. 6794 Order No. R-6268

APPLICATION OF CAULKINS OIL COMPANY FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARFLDA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#### ORDER OF THE DIVISION

#### BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m., on January 30, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 13th day of Pebruary, 1980, the Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Caulkins Oil Company, is the owner and operator of the Breech "D" Well No. 140, located in Unit A of Section 11, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle South Blanco-Tocito and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of the above-described well.
- (4) That from the Tocito zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Dakota zone, the subject well 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,

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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 a packer and check valve are installed above the Dakota zone to prevent Tocito formation liquids from coming in contact with the Dakota pay interval:
- (8) That to afford the Division 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 Division any time the subject well is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the well, applicant should consult with the supervisor of the Aztec district office of the Division and determine an allocation formula for each of the production zones.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Caulkins Oil Company, is hereby authorized to commingle South Blanco-Tocito and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of the Breech "D" Well No. 140, located in Unit A of Section 11, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

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

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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

JOE DE RAMEY

Director

#### CAULKINS OIL COMPANY

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#### Proposal and Present Conditions

To downhole Commingle South Blanco Tocito and Basin Dakota Production of our Breech D 140 well located in Unit A of Section 11, 26N 6W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

South Blanco Tocito Classed Uil Well. North half of Northeast Quarter dedicated to Tocito Zone.

Basin Dakota Zone Classed Gas Well. North half of Section dedicated to Dakota Zone

Tocito Zone shut in 7th Month 1977. Well would not flow under its own power.

Basin Dakota Zone produces average 7450 MCF plus 13 Bbls. oil per month.

Dakota Zone Classed Marginal.

Ownership and all working interests are common for both zones.

# Exhibit #1

Section map showing this well and all Caulkins Oil Company and offset wells.

Acreage dedication for each zone shown on map.

# Exhibit #2

Pressure and Production tabulations for both zones.

# Exhibit #3

Pressure and Production curves form tabulation exhibit #3.

#### Exhibit #4

Mechanic's and Proposed Production Split.

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MR. STAMETS: These exhibits will be admitted.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

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MR. PADILLA: Application of Caulkins
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Mexico.

MR. KELLAHIN: If the Examiner please, I'm Tom Kellahin. We'd like to consolidate that case with other cases to be heard on January 30.

MR, NUTTER: So you wish to continue this case until then?

MR. KELLAHIN: Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Case Number 6794 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at 9:00 o'clock a.m. January 30, 1980.

(Hearing concluded.)

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#### EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Caulkins Oil Company ) for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

CASE 6794

BEFORE: Daniel S Nutter

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

# APPEARANCES

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MR. PADIELA: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

MR. RELLAMIN: If the Examiner please, I'n Tom Kellahin. We'd like to consolidate that case with other cases to be heard on January 39,

MR. MUTTER: So you wish to continue this case until then?

MR. KELIAHIH: Yes, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Case Number 6794 will be continued to the Examiner Hearing scheduled to be held at this same place at 9:00 o'clock a.m. January 30, 1980.

(Hearing concluded.)

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REPORTER'S CURTIFICATE

I, SALLY W. BOYD, a Certified Shorthand Reporter, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Transcript of Hearing before the Oil Conservation Division was reported by me; that the said transcript is a full, true, and correct record of the hearing, prepared by me to the best of my ability from my notes taken at the time of the hearing.

Sally W. Boyd, C.S.R.

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#### CAULKINS OIL COMPANY

Case No. 6794

#### Proposal and Present Conditions

To downhole Commingle South Blanco Tocito and Basin Dakota Production of our Breech D 140 well located in Unit A of Section 11, 26N 6W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico...

South Blanco Tocito Classed Oil Well. North half of Northeast Quarter dedicated to Tocito Zone.

Basin Dakota Zone Classed Gas Well. North half of Section dedicated to Dakota Zone

Tocito Zone shut in 7th Month 1977. Well would not flow under its own power.

Basin Dakota Zone produces average 7450 MCF plus 13 Bbls. oil per month.

Dakota Zone Classed Marginal.

Ownership and all working interests are common for both zones.

# Exhibit #1

Section map showing this well and all Caulkins Oil Company and offset wells.

Acreage dedication for each zone shown on map.

# Exhibit #2

Pressure and Production tabulations for both zones.

#### Exhibit #3

Pressure and Production curves form tabulation exhibit #3.

#### Exhibit #4

Mechanic's and Proposed Production Split.

Breech D 140

Unit A Section 11 25N 6W

Pressure and Production Tabulations

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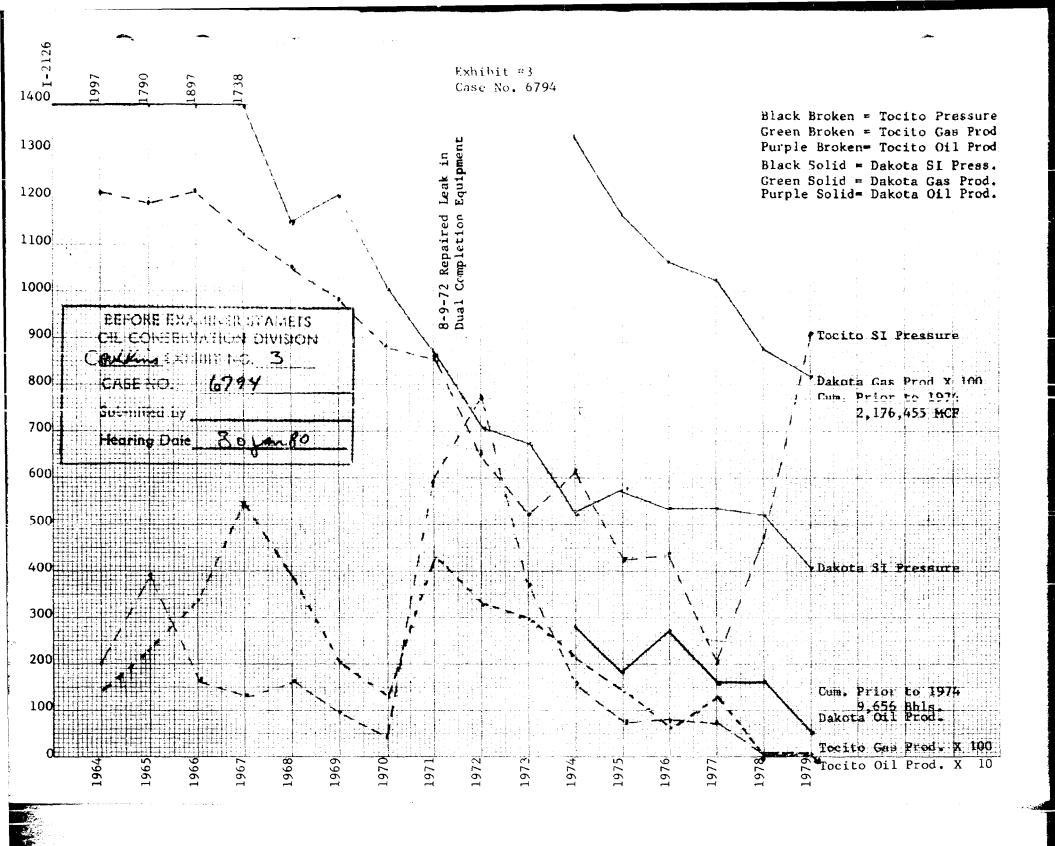
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Dakota Production 1974 thru 1977



## CAULKINS OIL COMPANY

## Breech D 140

## Exhibit #4

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Pull and salvage 1 1/4" tubing now set at 6817'.

Run 2 3/8" OD EUE tubing with tail pipe run below packer set at 7265". based on a production to extend to Dakota Perforation.

We propose future commingled production be split as follows:

8% of all gas and 84% of all oil to Tocito Zone. 92% of all gas and 16% of all oil to Dakota Zone.

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## Breech D 140

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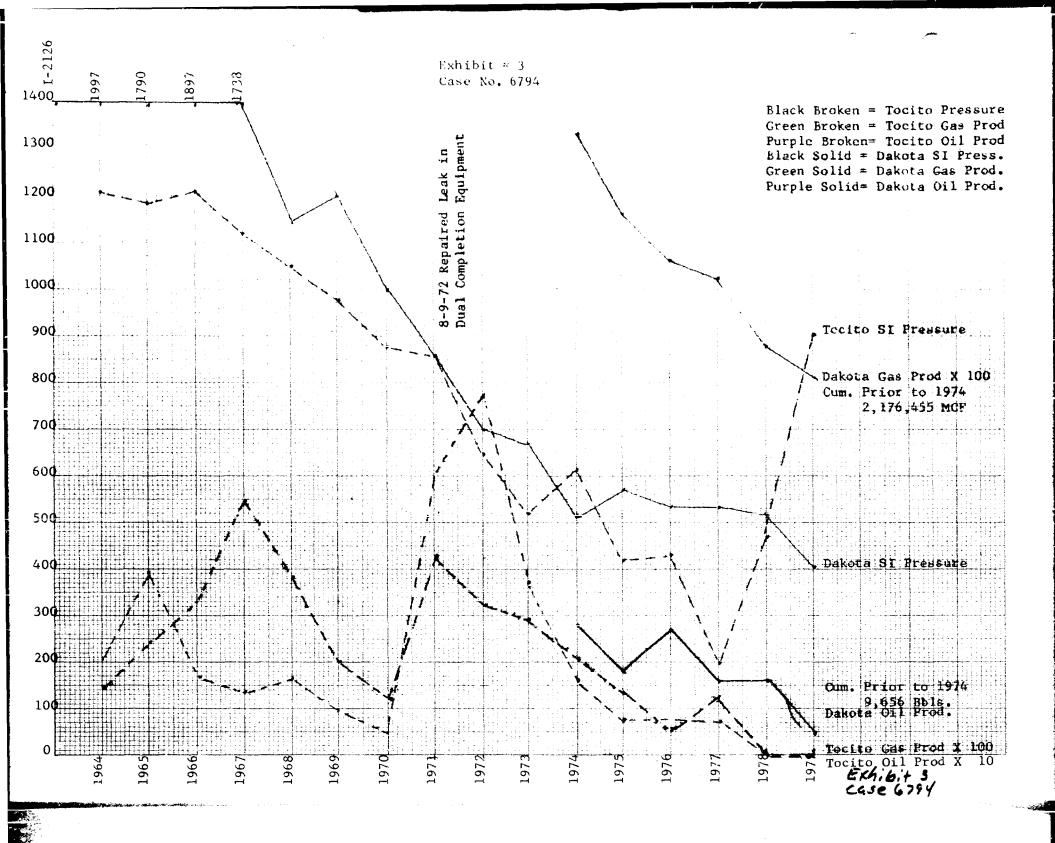
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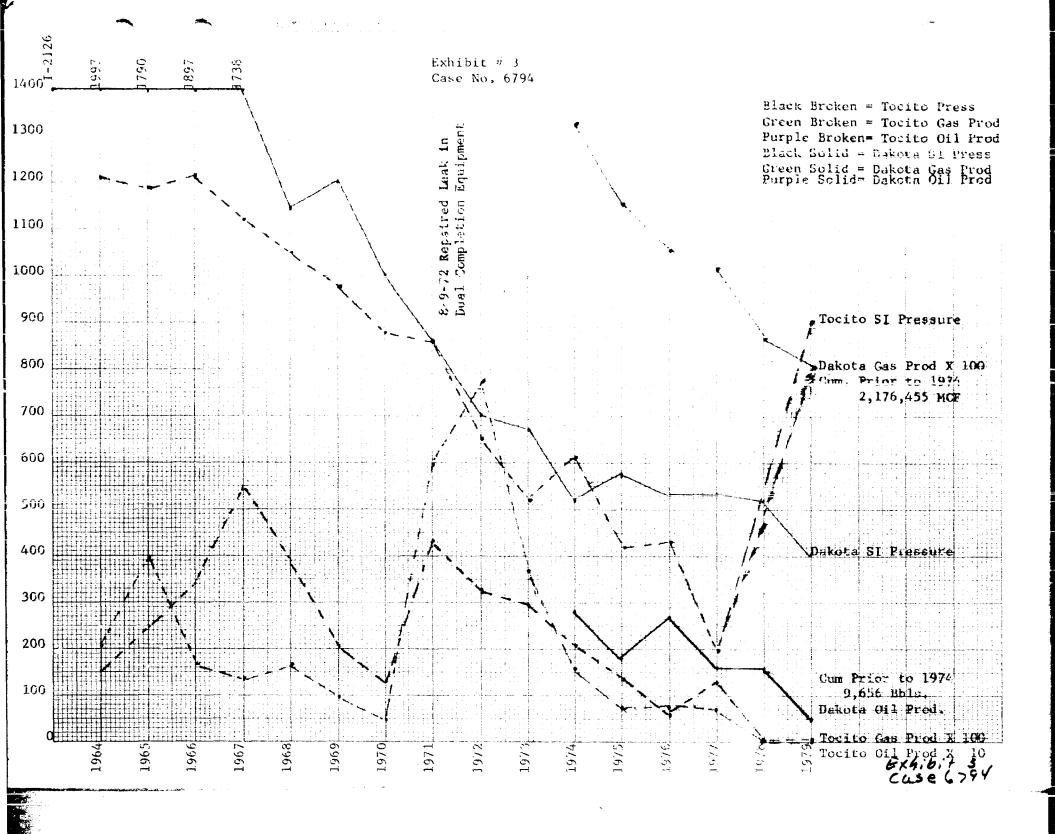
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Exhibit 4 Case 6794 Dockets Nos. 4-80 and 5-80 are tentatively set for February 13 and 27, 1980. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER BEARING - MEDNESDAY - JANUARY 30, 1980

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

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

CASE 6787: (Continued from January 16, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider the approval of 12 non-standard proration units ranging in size from 261.51 acres to 334.24 acres for 320-acre spaced pools, and 19 non-standard proration units ranging in size from 162.65 acres to 207.57 acres for 160-acre spaced pools, all of the aforesaid units being in and resulting from the irregular size and shape of Sections 1 thru 7 and 18, 19, 30, and 31, along the North and West sides of Township 28 North, Range 3 Vent, Rio Arriba County.

- GASE 6796: Application of Union Oil Company of California for compulsory pooling, Chaves County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the San Andres formation underlying the SW/4 of Section 1, Township 8 South, Range 28 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Use 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 679: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the WolfcampPenn formations underlying the N/2 of Section 28, Township 18 South, Range 29 East, 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
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  operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6798: Application of Estoril Producing Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Curry Federal Well No. 1, to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 22, Township 23 South, Range 34 East, Antelope Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool, the S/2 of said Section 22 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6799: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Rio Arriba County, New Nexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 320-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the SE/4, S/2 NE/4 and S/2 SW/4 of Section 16, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, Blanco Mesaverde Pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.
- CASE 6794: (Continued from January 16, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Caulkins Oil Company for downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Tocito Gallup and Dakota production in the wellhore of its Breech "D" Well No. 140 located in Unit A of Section 11, Township 26 North, Range 6 West.

- CASE 6800: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for dual completion and downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dually complete its Breech "E" Wells Nos. 83-E located in Unit L of Section 5 and 54-E and 68-E located in Units P and L of Section 4; Breech "A" No. 268-E located in Unit P of Section 16; and Breech "D" No. 346 located in Unit D of Section 22, all in Township 26 North, Range 6 West, in such a manner as to produce gas from the Dakota formation and commingled Chacra and Mesaverde production through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 6801: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for a dual completion and downhole commingling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dually complete its Breech "C" Well No. 248-E located in Unit D of Section 13, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, in such a manner as to produce commingled Tapacito-Gallup and Dakota production and commingled Chacra and Mesaverde production through parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 6790: (Continued from January 16, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for gas well commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks permission to temporarily commingle certain of its Pictured Cliffs gas wells in Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, and 11, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, in a common gathering system and meter the entire lease output through the purchaser's sales meter located in Unit M of said Section 7.

Dockets Nos. 3-80 and 4-80 are tentatively set for January 30 and Floruary 13, 1980. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advence of hearing date.

#### DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 16, 1980

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 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 February, 1980, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.
  - (2) Consideration of the allowable production of gas for February, 1980, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.
- CASE 6787: In the matter of the hearing called by the Qil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider the approval of 12 non-standard proration units ranging in size from 261.51 acres to 334.24 acres for 320-acre spaced pools, and 19 non-standard proration units ranging in size from 162.65 acres to 207.57 acres for 160-acre spaced pools, all of the aforesaid units being in and resulting from the irregular size and shape of Sections 1 thru 7 and 18, 19, 30, and 31, along the North and West sides of Township 28 North, Kange 3 West, Rio Arriba County.
- CASE 6788: Application of Amoco Production Company for a dual completion, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its South Mattix Unit Well No. 35 located in Unit F of Section 15, Township 24 South. Range 37 East: to produce gas from the Fowler-Upper Paddock Pool and oil from the Fowler-Drinkard Pool thru parallel strings of tubing.
- Application of Knex Industries, Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the well location requirements of the Scharb-Bone Springs Pool as promulgated by Order No. R-2589 to permit its New Mexico State Well No. 2 to be drilled in Unit H of Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, the E/2 NE/4 of said Section 1 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6790: Application of Merrion & Bayless for gas well commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above styled cause, seeks permission to temporarily commingle certain of its Pictured Cliffs gas wells in Sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, and 11, Township 26 North, Range 13 West, in a common gathering system and meter the entire lease output through the purchaser's sales meter located in Unit M of said Section 7.
- CASE 6784: (Continued from January 3, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Merrion & Bayless for a non-standard proration unit and an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 640-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 18 and the W/2 of Section 19, Township 32 North, Range 14 West, Earker Creek-Paradox Pool, to be dedicated to its Ute Well No. 7 at an unorthodox location 1685 feet from the South line and 3335 feet from the East line of said Section 19.

In the alternative, applicant seeks an order force pooling all of said Section 19 to form a standard 640-acre unit.

- CASE 6791: Application of Holly Energy, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its State 30 Well No. 1, a Morrow test to be drilled 660 feet from the North line and 840 feet from the East line of Section 30, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, the N/2 of said Section 30 to be dedicated to the well.
- Application of Florida Exploration Company for a non-standard gas proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, tooks approval of a 324.75-acre non-standard gas proration unit comprising Lots 1 and 2 and N/2 NE/4 of Section 33 and Lots 2, 3, and 4 and NW/4 NE/4 and N/2 NW/4 of Section 34, all in Township 26 South, Range 30 East; Ross Draw Area, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.
- CASE 6793: Application of Meadco Properties, Ltd. for an exception to Order No. R-111-A, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to the casing-cementing rules of Order No. R-111-A to permit a proposed well in Unit E of Section 4, Township 21 South, Range 29 East, to be completed by setting surface casing at 550 feet and production casing at total depth and cementing both casing strings to the surface.
- CASE 6794: Application of Caulkins Oil Company for downhole commingling, Pio Arriba County, New Mexico.

  Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Tocito Gallup and Dakota production in the wellbore of its Breech "D" Well No. 140 located in Unit A of Section 11, Township 26 North, Range 6 West.

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## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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No. 6794

## APPLICATION

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1. Applicant is the operator of the following well for which it seeks permission to downhole commingle production from the Gallup (Tocito) and the Dakota formations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico:

Breech "D" No. 140 well located in Unit A., Sec. 11, T26N, R6W, NMPM.

2. Approval of this application will recover gas that would not otherwise be produced, would not impair the correlative rights of others and will be in the best interest of conservation.

Respectfully submitted,

CAULKINS OIL COMPANY

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

No. 6799

# APPLICATION

COMES NOW CAULKINS OIL COMPANY and applies to the Oil Conservation Division of New Mexico for authority to downhole commingle production from the Gallup and Dakota Formations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico and in support thereof would show the Division:

1. Applicant is the operator of the following well for which it seeks permission to downhole commingle production from the Gallup (Tocito) and the Dakota formations, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico:

Breech "D" No. 140 well located in Unit A., Sec. 11, T26N, R6W, NMPM.

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

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

CASE NO. 6794
Order No. <u>6-6268</u>
APPLICATION OF CAULKINS OIL COMPANY
FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA
FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, RIO ARRIBA  COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
ORDER OF THE DIVISION
BY THE DIVISION:
This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on January 30
1980 , at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L.
Stamets
NOW, on this day of February , 1980 , the
Division Director, 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 Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the
subject matter thereof.
(2) That the applicant, Caulkins Oil Company , is
the owner and operator of the Breech "D" Well No. 140
located in Unit_A of Section 11 , Township 26 North
Range West , NMPM, Ric Arriba County, New Mexico.
(3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle South
Tocito Callup and Dakota production
within the wellbore of the above-described well.



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(4) That from the <u>locito</u> gallup zone, the
subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
(5) That from the Dakota zone, the
subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
(6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recover
of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, there
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 the well is not shut in valve are included about the Dakota zone to prevent Catherine for an extended period.  formation liquids from comming in contact with the Dakota pay interest (8) That to afford the Division 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 Division any time the subject well is
shut-in for 7 consecutive days.  (9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject well,
percent of the commingled production should be allocated to the Tocito Gallup zone, and
percent of the commingled production to the
(ALTERNATE)
(9) That in order to allocate the commingled production to
each of the commingled zones in the wells, applicant should
consult with the supervisor of the Aztec district office
of the Division and determine an allocation formula for each of
the production zones.

# IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant, Caulkins Oil Company , is
hereby authorized to commingle   Tocito <del>fally</del> b   and
Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of
the Breech "D" Well No. 140 , located in Unit A of
Section 11 , Township 26 North , Range 6 West ,
NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
(2) That the applicant shall consult with the Supervisor
of the Aztec district office of the Division and
determine an allocation formula for the allocation of production
to each zone in each of the subject wells.
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(2) That percent of the commingled
production shall be allocated to theTocito/Gallup/
zone and percent of the comming/ed
production shall be allocated to the Dakota
zone.
(3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately notify the Division's Aztec district office any time the well has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrent present, to the Division, a plan for remedial action.  (4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.  DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.
Provided However, that the applicant shall install a packer and check value above the Dakota zone to prevent Cathop formation I guide from commering in contact therewith.