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May 19, 2004

Mr. Steve Henke, Manager Bureau of Land Management 1235 La Plata Highway, Suite A Farmington, NM 87401

Ms. Joanna Prukop, Interim Director New Mexico Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NN 87505 Mr. Patrick Lyons, Commissioner New Mexico State Land Office P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

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MAY 24 2004

Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Request for Surface Commingling – Pools and Leases, Off-lease Measurement and Sale of Produced Natural Gas Richardson Operating Company's Pinon Mesa Gathering System: 10 Wells.

San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Prukop, Mr. Henke and Mr. Lyons:

Richardson Operating Company is writing to request your respective administrative approvals to surface commingle natural gas produced from 10 wells in Richardson Operating's planned Pinon Mesa Gathering System. Commingling of production is necessary to get produced natural gas to an El Paso CDP type sales meter and for the mutual conservation benefit of centralized compression through Richardson's planned central compressor station.

Application is, also, being made for off-lease sales measurement and production allocation to proportionally distribute production value and volume to the respective wells involved from the Central Delivery Point sales meter to be located NE/SW, Sec 1, T30N, R14W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. Production allocation, to proportionally distribute "beneficial use" compressor fuel gas will be made from the CDP meter to the wells involved (those receiving the benefits of centralized compression).

In the event a line blow-down is necessary or other gas loss occurs from the gathering system, Richardson will determine the total volume lost using industry procedures for the conditions existing at the time of the loss. The total volume lost will be allocated to the individual wells affected using percentage of total volume factors determined for the wells involved.

All lease hold interest in the gas produced is either state or federal and Richardson Operating Company is the operator.

Each existing well is equipped with an orifice type gas meter. All planned wells will be similarly equipped with orifice type gas meters for allocation purposes.

In as much as the gas form all of the wells involved will be accurately sampled and measured on their respective leases before it enters the gathering system, Richardson Production Company proposes and believes that the total production from the respective wells will be accurately accounted for. That the individual well/lease gas allocation based on the accurately sampled and measured, on lease, orifice allocation meters combined with the proposed allocation methods and formulas, accurately accounts for the mutual benefit of "beneficial use" gas and individual well/lease production. All orifice metering facilities used in measuring gas production for allocation purposes will be installed and operated in accordance with Onshore Oil and Gas Order N. 5 and NMOCD 'Meter Proving and Calibration Frequencies'. We do not anticipate any well will produce oil or condensate. However should any well produce oil or condensate, it will be equipped with separation equipment and all oil or condensate will be separated and stored on the lease.

Attachment No.1 is a Lease/Pool map showing the lease numbers and location of the leases plus the 2 existing and 8 planned wells that will contribute production to the gas gathering system. This map also identifies and places flow-lines, central compressor, separator and CDP equipment.

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Attachment No. 2 is a schematic diagram clearly identifying the planed central compressor, separator and CDP equipment to be utilized. Gas measurement at a CDP typically results in an increased level of accuracy by reducing flow irregularities that result at the wellhead meters by increasing the amount of flow and decreasing the effects of irregular or intermittent flow. The mechanical integrity of the gathering system will be demonstrated through pressure testing - the pressure charts will be available for review.

Attachment No. 3 lists estimated monthly production and BTU content of each contributing well along with other information requested by the NMOCD.

Attachment No. 4 is Pool Commingling production information requested by NMOCD.

Attachment No. 5 is Richardson Operating Company's proposed Allocation Procedure.

Attachment No. 6 is a list of all parties owning any interest in any of the production to be commingled. Richardson Operating Company has, on or before the date that this application was mailed to the NMOCD, sent notification to each of the interest owners by submitting a copy of the application and all attachments thereto, by certified mail, return receipt requested, advising them that any objection must be filed in writing with the Santa Fe office of the NMOCD within 20 days from the date the division received this application. Attachment No. 7 is a copy of the notice sent by certified mail to all interest owners. All notice letters have been sent by certified, return receipt mail and upon receiving the receipts, copies will be forwarded to the NMOCD. Attachment No. 8 is a copy of the "Affidavit of Publication" which was published in The Daily Times to further provide notice to all interest owners, anticipating that out of the volume of notices mailed by certified mail, there will be some receipts not returned.

As evidenced by the production allocation procedure (attachment No. 5) and the pool commingling production information (attachment No. 4), Federal and State production will be properly allocated based upon quality and quantity.

The wells involved with this system typically have bottom hole pressures of 200 psi or less. The transporter's pipelines available for gas delivery typically have pressures in the 250 psi range, therefore these wells have no economic life without the use of compression - as long as the compression cost does not exceed the net revenue received from the production minus the "beneficial use" gas consumed by the compression.

The minimal charges against lease production for "beneficial use" gas are far exceeded by the production rate increases due to the conservative benefit of centralized compression where: 1) Fuel burning efficiencies increase with horsepower requirements; 2) Fuel burning efficiencies increase as the number of units employed decrease and 3) Compressor lease expenses decrease as the number of units employed decrease.

Richardson Operating Company is the sole operator participating in this project.

Should you need any additional information or have questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at 505-486-0122.

Charles Neeley, PE

Sincerely

Agent for Richardson Operating Company

cc: NMOCD - Aztec

<u>District I</u> 1625 N. French Drive, Hobbs, NM 88240 <u>District II</u>

1301 W. Grand Ave, Artesia, NM 88210 <u>District III</u> 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410

E-MAIL ADDRESS: neelece@acrnet.com

<u>District IV</u> 1220 S. St Francis Dr, Santa Fe, NM State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-107-B Revised June 10, 2003

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 S. St Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Submit the original application to the Santa Fe office with one copy to the appropriate District Office.

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1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



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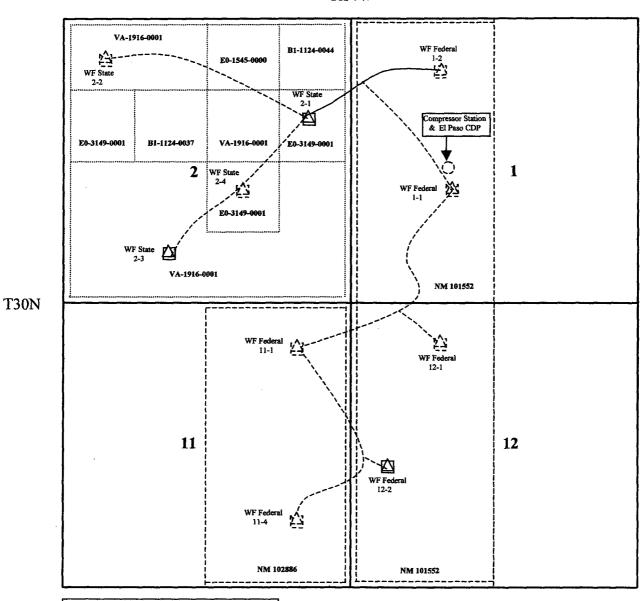
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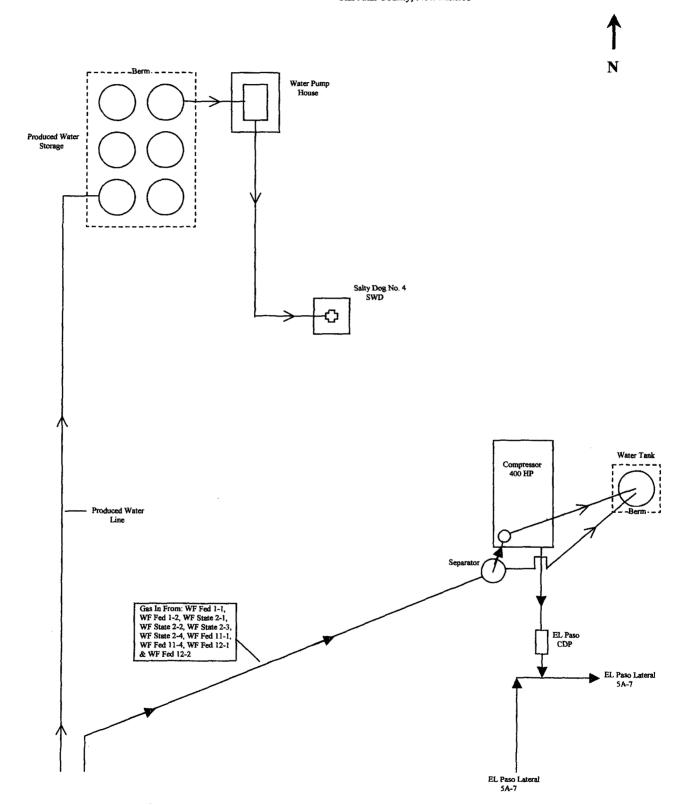
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Richardson Operating Company Pinon Mesa Natural Gas Gathering System Wells / Leases / Pools – Map Sec 1, 2, 11, 12 T30N, R14W, NMPM San Juan County, New Mexico

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Richardson Operating Company Pinion Mesa Gathering System - El Paso CDP - Compressor Station NE/SW, Sec 1, T30N, R14W, NMPM San Juan County, New Mexico



Attachment No. 3

Richardson Operating Company

Pinon Mesa Gathering System

EL Paso Central Delivery Sales Meter

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Commingling production in the gathering system is necessary to get produced natural gas to the sales meter. CDP gas revenue will be equipped with an allocation meter or an approved method of alternative measurement. There should be no loss in value and mmbtu will be allocated to individual wells using factors determined from the mmbtu produced from each well. Each well to any well as a result of this commingling.

Allocation Procedures

Richardson Production Co.'s
Pinon Mesa Gathering System
CDP Gas Sales Meter: NE/SW, Sec 1-T30N-R14W
El Paso CDP Meter
San Juan County, New Mexico

Base Data:

V = Individual Well BTU

W = Gas Volume (MCF) from allocation meters at individual wells during allocation period

X = Gas Volume (MCF) from CDP Sales Meter (El Paso) during allocation period.

Y = BTU's from CDP Sales Meter (El Paso) during allocation period.

Allocation Period is typically a calendar month and will be the same for all wells.

1. All wells:

- A. Individual Well Gas Production, MCF's = A+B+C+D+E
 - A = Allocated Sales Volume, MCF = (W/SUM W) x X
 - B = On lease fuel usage, MCF. Determined from equipment specification and operating conditions.
 - C = Purged and/or vented gas from well and/or lease equipment, MCF. Calculated using equipment specifications and procedures.
 - D = Allocated fuel from gathering system equipment, MCF. The total fuel required to operate gathering system equipment will be allocated to the individual wells benefiting from the equipment using allocation factors determined by W/SUM W for the wells involved.
 - E = Allocated volume of gas lost and/or vented from the gathering system and/or gathering system equipment, MCF. The total volume will be determined using industry procedures for the conditions existing at the time of the loss. All volumes corresponding to liquid condensation within the gathering system will also be determined. The total volume lost and/or vented will be allocated to the individual wells affected using factors determined by W/SUM W for the wells involved.
- B. Allocated Individual Well BTU's
 - 1) Allocated Individual Well BTU's = $((W \times V)/SUM (W \times V)) \times Y$

Note: Individual well gas heating values to be determined in accordance with BLM regulations (currently Onshore Order No. 5).

Attachment No. 6 Persons Owning Any Mineral Interest Richardson Operating Company Pinon Mesa Gathering System

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

State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1146

Credo Petroleum Corporation Attention: Mr. James T Huffman 1801 Broadway, Suite 900 Denver, Colorado 80202

Mr. R.K. O'Connell P.O. Box 371 Casper, Wyoming 82602

Ms. C.K. O'Connell P.O. Box 371 Casper, Wyoming 82602

Mr. Bill D. Farleigh P.O. Box 3215 Casper, Wyoming 82602

Don E. Lawson and Marjorie C. Lawson, Trustees 330 S. Center Street Casper, Wyoming 82601

Myrtle Jo Orzalli 2790 Bruce Street Matlacha, Florida 33993

Evko Development Corporation Attention: Judith Barr P.O. Box 245 Sausalito, CA 94966

Robert L. Hamilton Number Eight Backlog Road Kentfield, CA 94904 Certified Mail RRR: #

Date:

Re: Notice of Application: Surface Commingling, Off-lease Measurement and Sale of Produced Natural Gas Richardson Operating Company's Pinon Mesa Gathering System: 10 wells.

San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Interest Owner:

According to our records, you have an interest in one or more of the wells involved.

Richardson Operating Company, 3100 LaPlata Highway, Farmington, NM 87401 is currently preparing an application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD), Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and State Land Office (SLO) requesting their respective approvals to surface commingle natural gas produced from the 10 wells proposed to be in Richardson's Pinon Mesa Gathering System. Commingling of production is necessary to get produced natural gas to an El Paso CDP type sales meter and for the mutual conservation benefit of centralized compression through Richardson's centralized compressor station.

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This proposal should not affect your interest in these wells and should allow for optimum operations on all wells, especially production from the Fruitland Coal formation. All wells will benefit from central compression, keeping wellhead operating pressures as low as possible. This method of operation will help to keep our operating expenses as low as possible, which will allow all interest owners to recover more of the gas reserves from each well.

Richardson Operating Company believes that the method of allocating production volumes and sales to the respective wells ensures protection of correlative rights.

The matter does not require any action on your part. This letter is intended to serve as notice of the application, provide you with a copy of the application including all attachments thereto and to advise you of your right to file an objection with the NMOCD - objections must be filed in writing with the Santa Fe office of the New Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505, within 20 days from the date the division receives the application.

A complete copy of the application, is included.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, the person to contact at Richardson Operating Company is Mr. Chuck Williams at 303-830-8000 or by mail at 4601 DTC Blvd, Suite 470, Denver, Colorado 80237.

Sincerely,

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Ad No. 49757

STATE OF NEW MEXICO County of San Juan:

CONNIE PRUITT, being duly sworn says: That she is the CLASSIFIED MANAGER of THE DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in English at Farmington, said county and state, and that the hereto attached Legal Notice was published in a regular and entire issue of the said DAILY TIMES, a daily newspaper duly qualified for the purpose within the meaning of Chapter 167 of the 1937 Session Laws of the State of New Mexico for publication and appeared in the Internet at The Daily Times web site on the following day(s):

Friday, April 30, 2004.

And the cost of the publication is \$67.81.

ON <u>5-3-09</u> CONNIE PRUITT appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document.

My Commission Expires April 2, 2008.

COPY OF PUBLICATION

Legal NOTICE

Richardson Operating Company, 3100 La Plata Highway, Farmington, NM 87401 is applying to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (MMCCD); Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and State Land Offics (SLO) for regulatory approvals to surface commingle natural gas production and for offices sales measurement and production, allocation to proportionally distribute production value and volume to the respective wells involved through a Central Delivery Port sales measurement to be located NESW, Sec. 1, T30N, R14W, MMPM, San Juan Country, New Mexico Production allocation, to proportionally distribute beneficial used gas will be made from the CDP meter to the wells involved dinose receiving the benefits of centralized Compression). There wild not be any contringing of oil or condensate.

All wells are or will be located upon one of the following Leases held by Richardson Operating Company: Federal NM 101552 Federal NM 102586, State 81-1124-0045, State 8-1645-0000. State VA-1916-0001; State 80-1124-0037. The wells leases, facilities and gathering systems are located within Sections; 2 11 and 12 of John Milly Milly Milly Milly No San Juan County, New Medico.

The source of all natural gas to be committigled and sold is produced from one of the following pools: Harper Hill Fruitland Sand Pictural Citis and Basin Fautland Coat

Any person holding an interest in any of these lands of leases may contact. Flich arcson Operating Company for additional history before the characteristic of the contact of the contact

Legal No. 49757 published in The Daily Times, Farmington, New Mexico on Friday, April 30, 2004.