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August 31, 2001

Mr. David Catanach New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: **Application for Administrative Approval Downhole Commingling** Devils Fork Gallup, Devils Fork Mesaverde, Ballard Pictured Cliffs Pools Edna 3R Section 7, T24N, R6W San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Merrion Oil & Gas requests administrative approval for downhole commingling of the Devils Fork Gallup, Devils Fork Mesaverde, and the Ballard Pictured Cliffs Pools in the subject wellbore. The following information is provided in support of this application:

I. **Proposed Spacing Units**

> Exhibit 1 is the ownership plat showing the offset operators. Exhibit 2 shows the C-102 plat for the Devils Fork Gallup with a 160 acre spacing unit in the NW/4 of Section 7. Exhibit 3 shows the C-102 plat for the Devils Fork Mesaverde with a 40 acre spacing unit in the NW NW/4 of Section 7. Exhibit 4 shows the C-102 plat for the Ballard Pictured Cliffs with a 160 acre spacing unit in the NW/4 of Section 7.

П. Justification

The Edna 3R was completed in 1984 as a commingled Gallup – Mesaverde producer (DHC-535). It has declined in production to the point where it is only making 10 to 20 MCFD of gas. The Pictured Cliffs (PC) has never been completed on that particular 160 acre spacing unit. However, the PC is projected to be partially depleted by the surrounding producers, and would not have the reserves to justify drilling a new well. It is only by completing the interval in the existing wellbore and commingling all three zones that we can maximize the gas recovery from that lease.

III. <u>Allocation Methodology</u>

Exhibits 5 and 6 show the historic production from the Gallup and Mesaverde zones respectively, while Exhibit 7 shows the PC production from the offset Edna 2 well. Merrion proposes to obtain stabilized production tests on the Pictured Cliffs and use a fixed percentage to allocate future production between the three zones. If subsequent data indicates the need, additional testing may be done in the future to adjust the allocation percentages.

IV. <u>Reservoir Fluid Compatibility</u>

The waters of the PC, Mesaverde, and Gallup have been generally determined to be compatible across the Basin based on other similar applications to the OCD.

V. <u>Crossflow Between Zones</u>

The current reservoir pressures of the Gallup and Mesaverde are estimated to be 200 psi, which is the estimated pressure of the uphole PC zone. Therefore, crossflow is not anticipated to be a problem.

VI. <u>Well Ownership Notification</u>

The ownership of the three zones is identical.

VII. Offset Operator Notification

Exhibit 1 is a plat showing all offset operators. Exhibit 8 is a list of all the offset operators who received a certified copy of this application.

VIII. <u>Summary</u>

The PC lacks the reserves to economically justify a new well. Commingling the zones will maximize reserves and protect correlative rights. Therefore, we request your approval of this application.

Please call me at 505-327-9801 ext. 114 with questions or if additional information is required.

Sincerely, George F. Sharpe

Manager - Oil & Gas Investments

Xc: Offset Operators Aztec OCD District I 1625 N. French Dri

District II

811 South First Street, Artesia, NM 88210

District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410

District IV

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 APPLICATION TYPE _X_Single Well _Establish Pre-Approved Pools EXISTING WELLBORE _X Yes ___No

2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87505

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APPLICATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING

Operator		Add	ress		
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Lease	Well No.	Unit Letter-Sect	ion-Township-Range		County
OGRID No. 014634 Property Co	de <u>007824</u> API No	. 30-039-23486	_ Lease Type:	Federal	State <u>X</u> Fee

DATA ELEMENT	UPPER ZONE	INTERMEDIATE ZONE	LOWER ZONE	
Pool Name	Ballard Pictured Cliffs	Devils Fork Mesaverde	Devils Fork Gallup	
Pool Code	71439	17620	17610	
Top and Bottom of Pay Section (Perforated or Open-Hole Interval)	2375-2395'	₩ 4644'-4903'	5661'-5887'	
Method of Production (Flowing or Artificial Lift)	Not completed	Pumping	Pumping	
Bottomhole Pressure (Note: Pressure data will not be required if the bottom perforation in the lower zone is within 150% of the depth of the top perforation in the upper zone)	200 PSI	200 PSI	200 PSI	
Oil Gravity or Gas BTU (Degree API or Gas BTU)	1150 BTU	1350 BTU	1350 BTU	
Producing, Shut-In or New Zone	Shut In - not completed yet	Producing	Producing	
Date and Oil/Gas/Water Rates of Last Production. (Note: For new zones with no production history,	Date:	Date: July, 2001	Date: July, 2001	
applicant shall be required to attach production estimates and supporting data.)	Rates: NA	Rates: 5 MCFD	Rates: 5 MCFD	
Fixed Allocation Percentage (Note: If allocation is based upon something other than current or past production, supporting data or explanation will be required.)	Oil Gas WILL BE PROVIDED AFTE % %	Oil Gas R PICTURED CLIFFS IS C % %	Oil Gas OMPLETED. % %	

ADDITIONAL DATA

Are all working, royalty and overriding royalty interests identical in all commingled zones? If not, have all working, royalty and overriding royalty interest owners been notified by certified mail?	Yes Yes	<u> </u>	No No	
Are all produced fluids from all commingled zones compatible with each other?	Yes	x	No	
Will commingling decrease the value of production? If this well is on, or communitized with, state or federal lands, has either the Commissioner of Public Lands or the United States Bureau of Land Management been notified in writing of this application?	Yes		No _	<u>X</u>
NMOCD Reference Case No. applicable to this well:	Yes		No _	<u> </u>

Attachments:

C-102 for each zone to be commingled showing its spacing unit and acreage dedication.

Production curve for each zone for at least one year. (If not available, attach explanation.)

For zones with no production history, estimated production rates and supporting data.

Data to support allocation method or formula.

Notification list of working, royalty and overriding royalty interests for uncommon interest cases.

Any additional statements, data or documents required to support commingling.

PRE-APPROVED POOLS

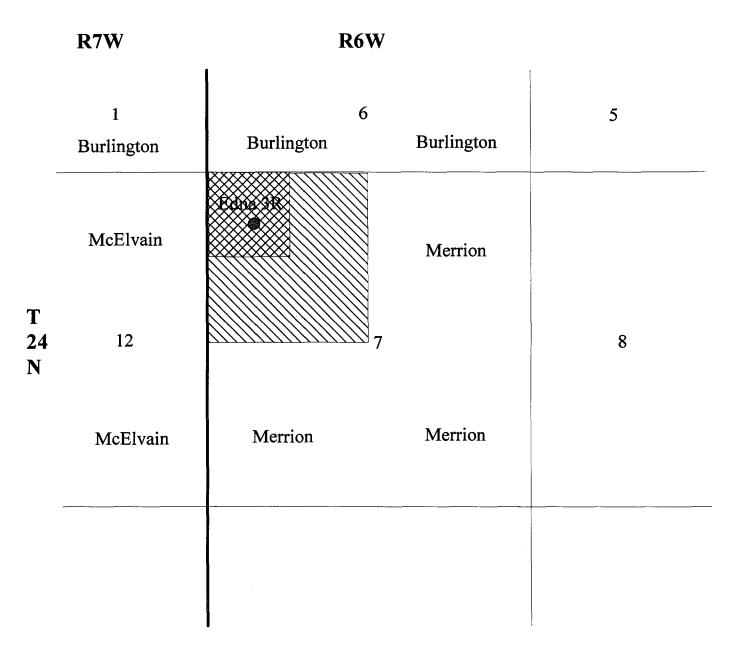
If application is to establish Pre-Approved Pools, the following additional information will be required:

List of other orders approving downhole commingling within the proposed Pre-Approved Pools List of all operators within the proposed Pre-Approved Pools Proof that all operators within the proposed Pre-Approved Pools were provided notice of this application. Bottomhole pressure data.

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE 6102	ge Shance	_TITLE	Engineer	DATE	August 30, 2001
TYPE OR PRINT NAME	George F. Sharpe			505) 327-9	801 Ext. 114

EXHIBIT 1 EDNA 3R Downhole Commingling Application





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PC & GLP Spacing Unit

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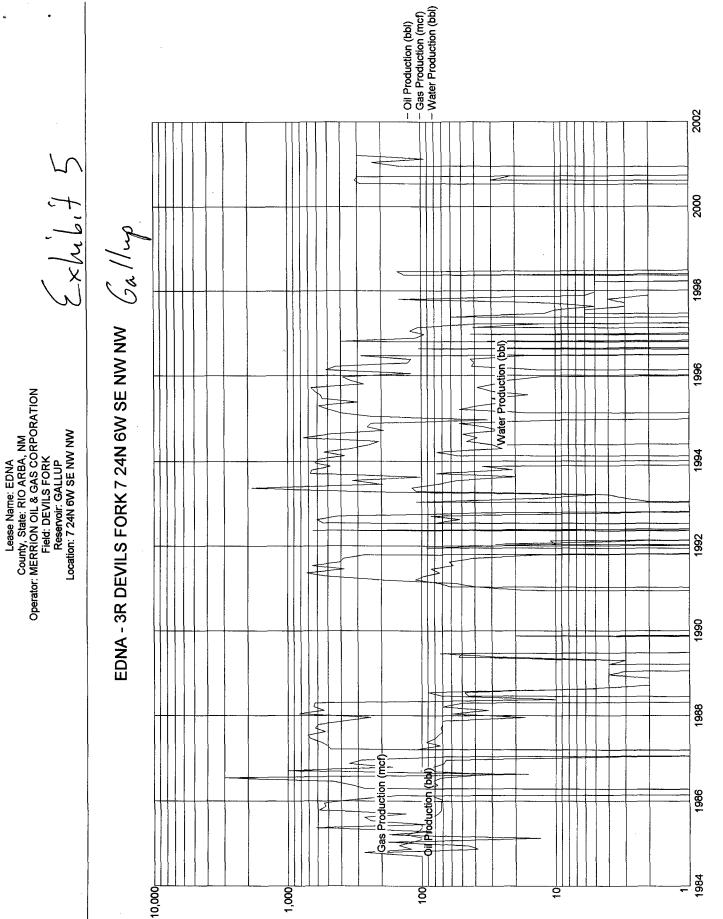
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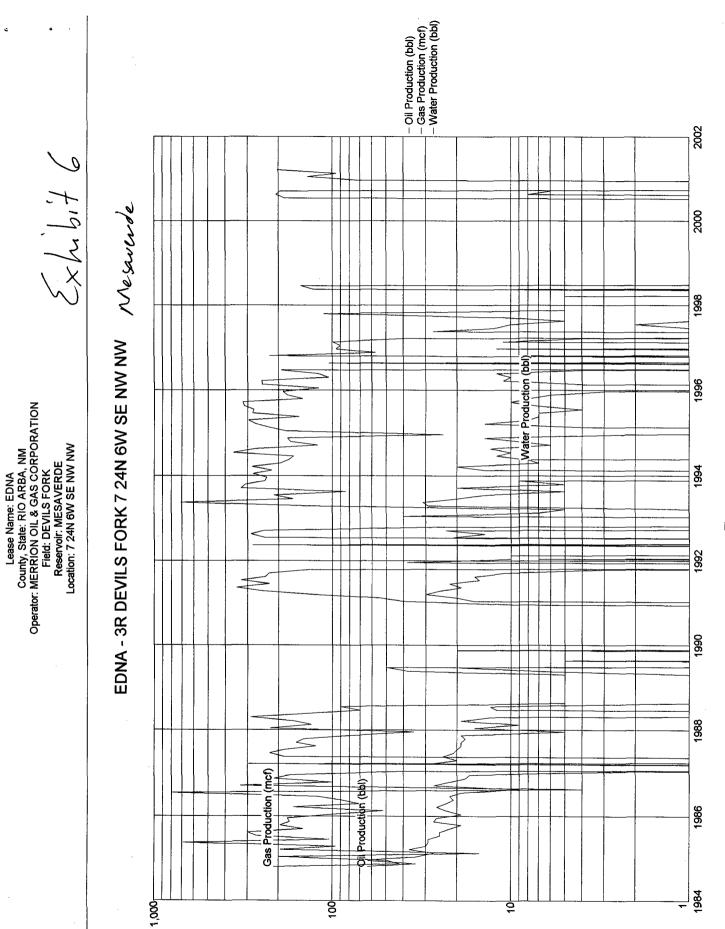
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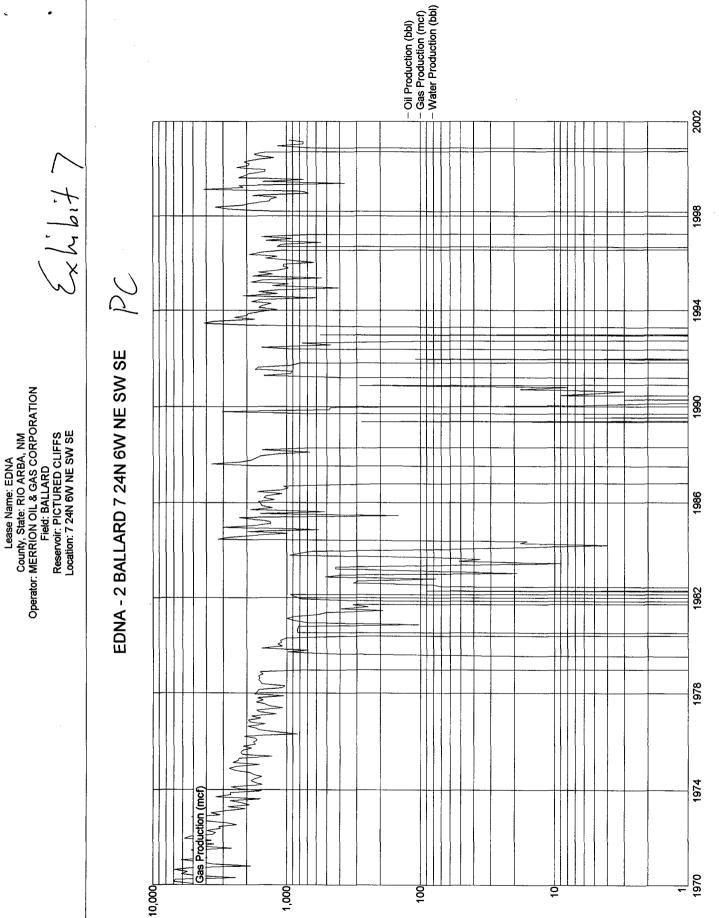
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EXHIBIT 8

Offset Operator Notification Edna 3R Commingling Application

To: Offset Operators

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If you have questions, please call George Sharpe at (505) 327-9801, ext. 114. If you have any objections to this application, please notify the NMOCD in writing within 20 days of receipt of this application.

Mr. James Strickler Burlington Resources PO Box 4289 Farmington, NM 87401

Mr. Larry Van Ryan McElvain Oil & Gas 1050 17th St., Suite 1800 Denver, CO 80265

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