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Tuesday, October 29, 2013 10:20 AM Sent:

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RE: Vermejo SWD #1 30-015-40644 (SWD-1321-0) Subject:

Jesse:

I have reviewed the information submitted to the Bureau regarding the two items listed in the Administrative Order SWD-1321 as prerequisites for approval of injection in this well (swab test for hydrocarbon and water analysis). The information includes a letter report, well completion diagram, a cross-section utilizing information of Judah Oil's Red Lake State SWD #1 (SWD-332-A; formerly Lucas Store "KT" State Com #1), and water analysis for proposed injection from Blinebry/Paddock producers.

The information in the letter report concerning the well completion supports the lack of any potential for hydrocarbon shows had a swab test been conducted. The presentation of the cross-section and the associate discussion regarding geology and formation characteristics of the Cisco in this area is adequate to provide a correlation of water quality. With the information provided by Cimarex, the Bureau has decided that the two prerequisites requirements have been sufficiently addressed and that the District may proceed with approval for injection if there are no remaining issues to be resolved. The report along with this e-mail will be posted in the SWD order image file. If there questions concerning this subject, please contact me at your convenience. PRG

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Subject: Vermejo SWD #1 30-015-40644 (SWD-1321-0)

Mr. Goetze

Thank you for speaking with us today. I hope the letter and attachments can answer all of your questions. In regard to the salinity, we did not run a resistivity log on our well. We only ran a neutron density and gamma ray. As such I cannot compare the log characteristics of the two wells. Please let me know if there is another method by which I could show a salinity comparison, and we will be happy to run the numbers.

Jesse Parkison

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Mr. Phillip Goetze

Below is a list of highlights from the completion of the Vermejo SWD. We believe the report shows that our perforation connected us to a pressurized injection zone caused by an offset SWD (about ½ mile South).

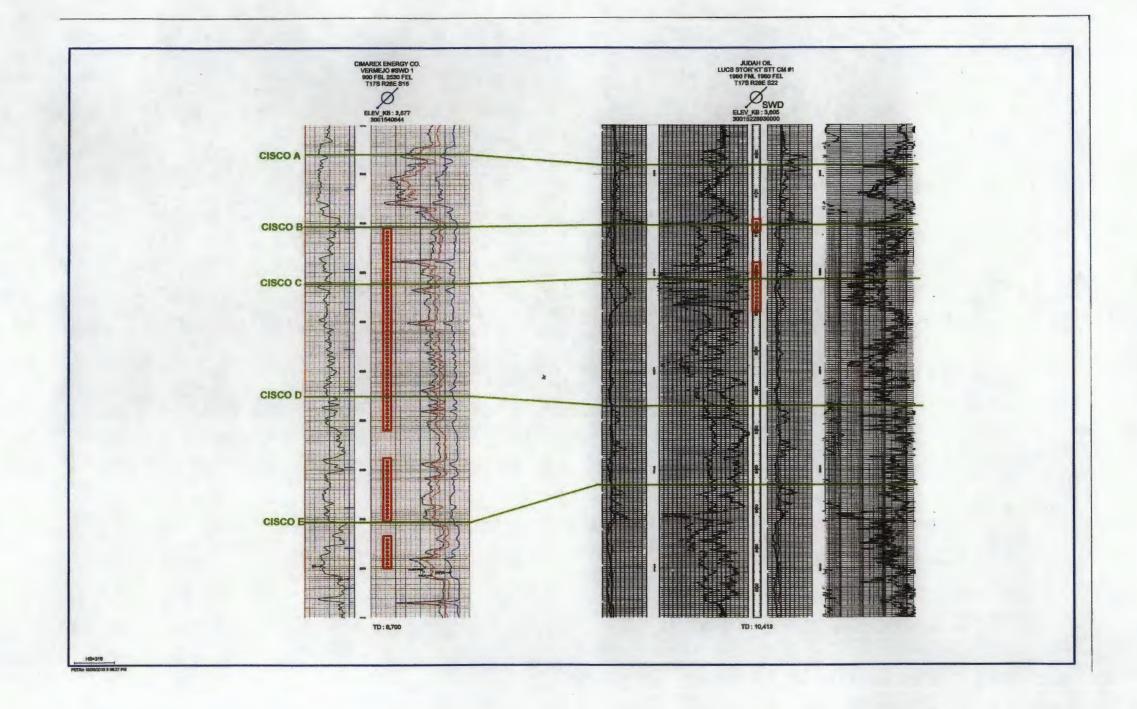
- When the well was perforated (8155-8500' gross interval), we saw 800# at the surface. The
 next day we bled off 450bbls of water, flowing at 350# on a 2" choke. Since this flow-back
 was 100bbls over the casing volume, there was no need to swab the well.
- The well was then loaded with 450bbls of 9.9# brine, and still had 50# surface pressure.
 That calculates to a BHP of 4246# at top perforation.
- 238bbls of 15% HCl acid with granulated rock salt was used to break down the formation.
 Then on 12/12/2012 we received verbal permission from the BLM and OCD to perform an injection test with brine water. Afterwards the well was flowed back on 1" choke @ 640#.
- The next day our flow-back tank read 280ppm H2S. After cementing the 7" casing string, we saw similar high pressures while drilling through the injection zone.
- We performed a second injection test because the results from the first were not encouraging. This second test yielded the same results. The well showed a shut-in pressure throughout these pumps. We later killed the well with 10.5# brine before running the injection tubing.

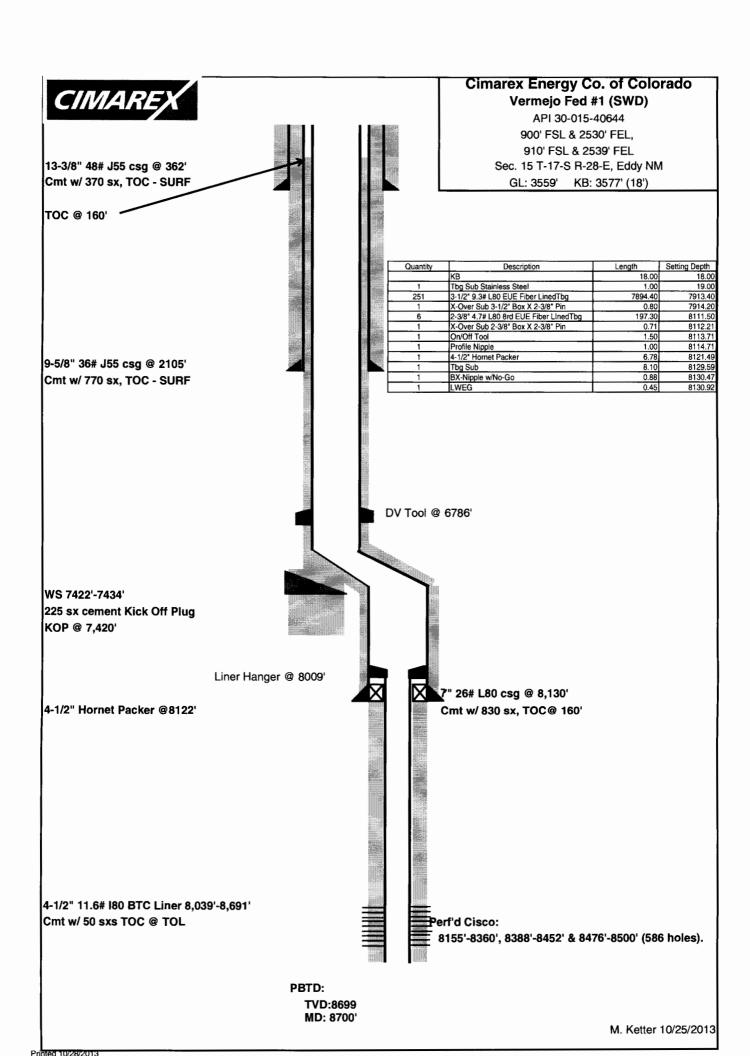
This Cisco Dolomite target would only be over-pressured if it were being injected into. The offset SWD in the area in fact encountered a "cavernous substructure strata" in the Cisco formation. This formation caused heavy losses, and only after 15 days of pumping LCM and 3400 bbls of cement was the well regained. It is because of this data that we are certain the formation in which we are injecting is correlative to the injection zone of the offset SWD. Therefore we are also certain that any water analysis taken either after perforations or after the acid breakdown would match up with the water being injected at the offset SWD. This water is produced from the numerous Blinebry/Paddock wells in the area and is in our experience, heavy/sour brine water. An analysis of that water is included. The Vermejo well bore sketch and a cross section showing the perforation correlation is also attached.

I sincerely apologize for the oversight on my part. The approved injection authority clearly states that swab and water test must be performed, but that information was not made clear to our completions department. I assure the OCD that Cimarex will do everything to make sure this doesn't happen again, including establishing a completion checklist to insure that all conditions of approval are followed precisely. These SWDs are extremely valuable to our production operations especially in the high water production areas, and our ability to produce the maximum recoverable reserves hinges on affordable water disposal.

Thanks in advance.

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Water Analysis Report by Baker Petrolite

Company:	CIMAREX ENERGY	Sales RDT:	33521
Region:	PERMIAN BASIN	Account Manager:	STEVE HOLLINGER (575) 910-9393
Area:	DAYTON, NM	Sample #:	559222
Lease/Platform:	MARACAS 22 STATE	Analysis ID #:	115988
Entity (or well #):	1	Analysis Cost:	\$90.00
Formation:	UNKNOWN		
Sample Point:	WELLHEAD		

Sum	mary	Analysis of Sample 559222 @ 75 年							
Sampling Date:	12/29/11	Anions	mg/l	meq/l	Cations	mg/l	meq/l		
Analysis Date: Analyst: TDS (mg/l or g/m3): Density (g/om3, ton Anion/Cation Ratio:	ne/m3): 1.106	Chloride: Bloarbonate: Carbonate: Sulfate: Phosphate: Borate: Silicate:	90139.0 488.0 0.0 4425.0	2542.49 8. 0. 92.13	Sodium: Magnesium: Calcium: Strontium: Barium: Iron: Potassium:	55887.9 560.0 3079.0 58.0 0.1 8.0 403.0	2430.99 46.07 153.64 1.32 0. 0.29		
Carbon Dioxide: Oxygen: Comments: RESISTIVITY: .054	460 PPM OHM-M @ 75°F	Hydrogen Sulfide: pH at time of sampling: pH at time of analysis: pH used in Calculation	:	85 PPM 6.1	Aluminum: Chromium: Copper: Lead: Manganese: Nickel:	0.200	0.01		

Cond	itions	Values Calculated at the Given Conditions - Amounts of Scale in lb/1000 bbl										
Temp Gauge Press.		Calcite CaCO ₃		Gypsum CaSO ₄ *2H ₂ 0		Anhydrite CaSO ₄		Celestite SrSO ₄		Barite BaSO ₄		CO ₂ Press
F	psi	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	psi
80	0	-0.01	0.00	0.10	345.97	0.10	285.70	0.08	6.63	0.44	0.00	2.91
100	0	0.08	8.14	0.03	108.19	0.10	280.27	0.06	4.82	0.24	0.00	3.6
120	0	0.19	17.48	-0.03	0.00	0.12	340.85	0.04	3.62	0.06	0.00	4.29
140	0	0.29	27.12	-0.07	0.00	0.17	452.36	0.04	3.32	-0.09	0.00	4.97

Note 1: When assessing the severity of the scale problem, both the saturation index (SI) and amount of scale must be considered.

Note 2: Precipitation of each scale is considered separately. Total scale will be less than the sum of the amounts of the five scales.

Note 3: The reported CO2 pressure is actually the calculated CO2 fugacity. It is usually nearly the same as the CO2 partial pressure.

Scale Predictions from Baker Petrolite

Analysis of Sample 559222 @ 75 F for CIMAREX ENERG Y, 01/18/12

