Mid-Continent Region Production United States

Hobbs, NM 88241-2409

Telephone 505/393-7106

P.O. Box 2409



October 15, 1997

Mr. David Catanach **Energy and Minerals Department** Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87501-2088

Re: Request for Exception to Rule 303-A **Downhole Commingling** Warn St. A/C 1 No. 7 UL "F", 2,036' FNL & 2,089' FWL Sec. 31, T-17-S, R-35-E Abo, Wolfcamp, and Penn Pools Vacuum Field Lea County, New Mexico

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Sincerely,

Bryan L. Williams **Production Engineer** 

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P.O. Sox 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240
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DISTRICT III

811 South First St., Artesis, NM 88210

1000 Rio Brazos Rd, Aztec, NM 87410

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe. New Mexico 87505-8429

APPLICATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING

Form C-107-A New 3-12-96

APPROVAL PROCESS:

\_\_ Administrative \_\_\_Hearing

EXISTING WELLBORE
\_\_\_YES \_\_\_NO

### Marathon Oil Company PO Box 2409 Hobbs, NM 88240 Lea F, Sec. 31, T-17-S, R-35-E 7 Warn State A/C 1 30-025-33951 6483 014021 , State API NO. Federal X, (and/or) Fee OGRID NO. Property Code The following facts are submitted in support of downhole commingling: Upper Zone Intermediate Zones Lower Zone Vacuum, Penn Vacuum, Wolfcamp Vacuum, Abo 1. Pool Name and Pool Code 62340 61760 62320 2. Top and Bottom of Pay Section (Perforations) 10,092-10,559 8438-9309 9466-10,055 3. Type of production (Oil or Gas) 0i10il011 4. Method of Production (Flowing or Artificial Lift) Artificial Lift Artificial Lift Artificial Lift a. (Current) a. 100 PBHP 5. Bottomhole Pressure 100 PBHP Oil Zones - Artificial Lift: Estimated Current 2000 SBHP 2000 SBHP 2150 SBHP Gas & Oil - Flowing: Measured Current b. (Original) b. All Gas Zones: Estimated Or Measured Original 6. Oil Gravity (\*API) or Gas BTU Content 41 41 41 7. Producing or Shut-In? Production Marginal? (yes or no) If Shut-In, give date and oil/gas/ water rates of last production Date: Rates Rates Rates: ote: For new zones with no production istory, applicant shall be required to attach roduction estimates and supporting data Date Date: If Producing, give date andoil/gas/ water rates of recent test (within 60 days) Rates: Rates: 8. Fixed Percentage Allocation Formula -% for each zone Oit: 61 **%** 78 % 9 % 12 % 30% 10 % 9. If allocation formula is based upon something other than current or past production, or is based upon some other method, submit attachments with supporting data and/or explaining method and providing rate projections or other required data. 10. Are all working, overriding, and royalty interests identical in all commingled zones? If not, have all working, overriding, and royalty interests been notified by certified mail? Have all offset operators been given written notice of the proposed downhole commingling? Yes No No No Yes Yes No No 11. Will cross-flow occur? Yes X No If yes, are fluids compatible, will the formations not be damaged, will any cross-flowed production be recovered, and will the allocation formula be reliable. Yes No (If No, attach explanation) 12. Are all produced fluids from all commingled zones compatible with each other? X Yes \_ No 13. Will the value of production be decreased by commingling? \_ Yes <u>X</u> No (If Yes, attach explanation) 14. If this well is on, or communitized with, state or federal lands, either the Commissioner of Public Lands or the United States Bureau of Land Management has been notified in writing of this application. X Yes No 15. NMOCD Reference Cases for Rule 303(C) Exceptions: ORDER NO(S). DHC-260 16. ATTACHMENTS MENTS: 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 explaination.) For zones with no production history, estimated production rates and supporting data. Data to support allocation method or formula. Notification list of all offset operators. Notification list of working, overriding, and royalty interests for uncommon interest cases. Any additional statements, data, or documents required to support commingling.

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

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SIGNATURE

TYPE OR PRINT NAME Bryan L. Williams TELEPHONE NO. ( 505 ) 393-7106

TITLE Production Engineer DATE October 15, 1997



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Mr. Pete Martinez Commissioner of Public Lands State Land Office Building P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

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Texaco Exploration and Producing Inc. Heritage Center PO Box 3109 Midland, TX 79702-3109

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102 Revised October 18, 1994 Instructions on back Submit to Appropriate District Office

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.

B SEE ORIGINAL C.102 4/22/97

Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyer:

Certificate Number

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### District IV 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87505 WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT <sup>2</sup> Pool Code <sup>3</sup> Pool Name 1 API Number 30-025-33951 61760 Vacuum. Abo 5 Property Name Well Number <sup>4</sup> Property Code Warn St. A/C 1 6483 7 OGRID No. Operator Name Elevation Marathon 011 Company 3975 014021 Surface Location Feet from the North/South Line UL or lot no. Section Township Range Lot. Idn Feet from the East/West line County F 31 **17S** 35E 2036 North 2089 West Lea Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface UL or lot no. Feet from the North/South Line East/West line Section Township Range Feet from the County 12 Dedicated Acres 13 Joint or Infill <sup>14</sup>Consolidation Code 15 Order No. 80 NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON--STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION **OPERATOR CERTIFICATION** I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. 2036 Bryan L. Williams DEDICATED Printed Name 2089 Production Engineer 80 ACRES October 15, 1997

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### REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO RULE 303-A Warn St. A/C 1 No. 7 Vacuum Field

### A: Operator

Marathon Oil Company P.O. Box 2409 Hobbs, NM 88241-2409

### B: Lease Name and Well Number

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### C: Plats and Offset Operators

Attached

### **D:** Form C-116

Attached

### **E:** Production Decline Curves

Not available. The Warn St. A/C 1 No. 7 is a new drill twin replacement well for the Warn St. A/C 1 No. 3.

### F: Estimated Bottomhole Pressures

Vacuum (Abo) - 2000 psi Vacuum (Wolfcamp) - 2150 psi Vacuum (Penn) - 2000 psi

### G: Fluid Characteristics

Marathon currently has downhole commingled the Abo, Wolfcamp, and Penn in the twin Warn St. A/C 1 No. 3 (DHC-260) without a fluid capability problem. The No. 7 was drilled as a twin replacement well for the No. 3.

### H: Value

Marathon receives the same price for the products from each zone and value will not be adversely affected.

### Request for Exception to Rule 303-A Warn St. A/C 1 No. 7 Page 2

### I: Production Allocation

<b>Allocated Percentag</b>	<u>es</u>	<u>Oil %</u>	Gas %	Water %
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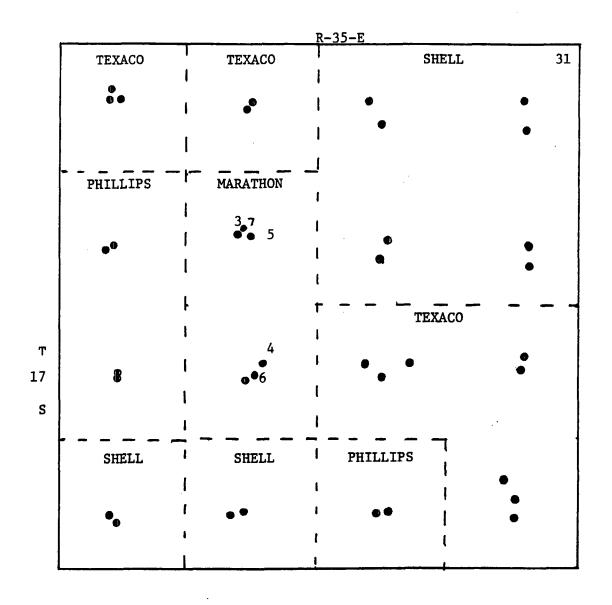
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### J: Ownership

Ownership of all zones is common and correlative rights will not be violated.

### K: Offset Operator Notification

By copy of this letter we are notifying all offset operators (attached) of the proposed commingling, by certified mail.



LAND PLAT

VACUUM AREA

LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

1" = 1000'

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### Instructions:

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Report casing pressure in lieu of tubing pressure for any well producing through casing. Specific gravity base will be 0.60.

Gas volumes must be reported in MCF measured at a pressure base of 15.025 psia and a temperature of 60 °F.

(See Rule 301, Rule 1116 & appropriate pool rules.)

Telephone No. Prod. Engineer complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. 393-7106 Printed name and title Bryan L. Williams October 15, 1997 Date Signature

I hereby certify that the above information is true and

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Sincerely,

David Catanach

Engineer



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Reply to Correspondence Dated November 25, 1997

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Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Pursuant to your letter dated November 25, 1997, provided below is the production estimates and supporting data for the Vacuum (Abo), Vacuum (Wolfcamp), and Vacuum (Penn) zones to be commingled in the subject well.

The well is currently producing 50 BOPD, 163 MCFD, and 21 BWPD. See Fig. 1. The Abo, Wolfcamp, and Penn production is estimated at 31 BOPD/128 MCFD, 5 BOPD/19 MCFD, and 14 BOPD/16 MCFD respectively. The percentage allocations are determined utilizing DHC-260 in the twin No. 3. The support to transfer the allocation percentages from the No. 3 to the twin No. 7 entails first an understanding of the improved operating efficiency in the No. 7 and its effect on production and secondly a comparison of No. 3 pre-shutin production and No. 7 current production rates.

Prior to 1994, a stable production decline was established in the No. 3 which utilized two artificial lift systems to produce the Abo and Wolfcamp/Penn. Utilizing the pre-1994 established decline, current production is estimated at +-35 BOPD. See Fig. 2. However, due to frequent system failures realized in 1993 and early 1994, the Abo, Wolfcamp, and Penn were downhole commingled in an attempt to reduce system failures. However, the single lift system, which inherently had a limited artificial lift design and subsequent production capacity due to a 2.875" production casing design, produced the well in an inefficient manner. The No. 3 rod design produced all three zones from a pump depth of 9370' with an average producing net fluid level 7965' from surface. See Fig. 3.

The No. 7 rod design produces all three zones from a pump depth of 10,600' with a "pumped off" condition. See Fig. 4. The "pumped off" condition has allowed for an increase in formation drawdown and subsequently production. Comparing the No. 3 & No. 7 production, one will note the slightly improved production on the No. 7 realized from the improved operating conditions.

If additional information is necessary, please advise.

Sincerely,

Bryan L. Williams

**Production Engineer** 

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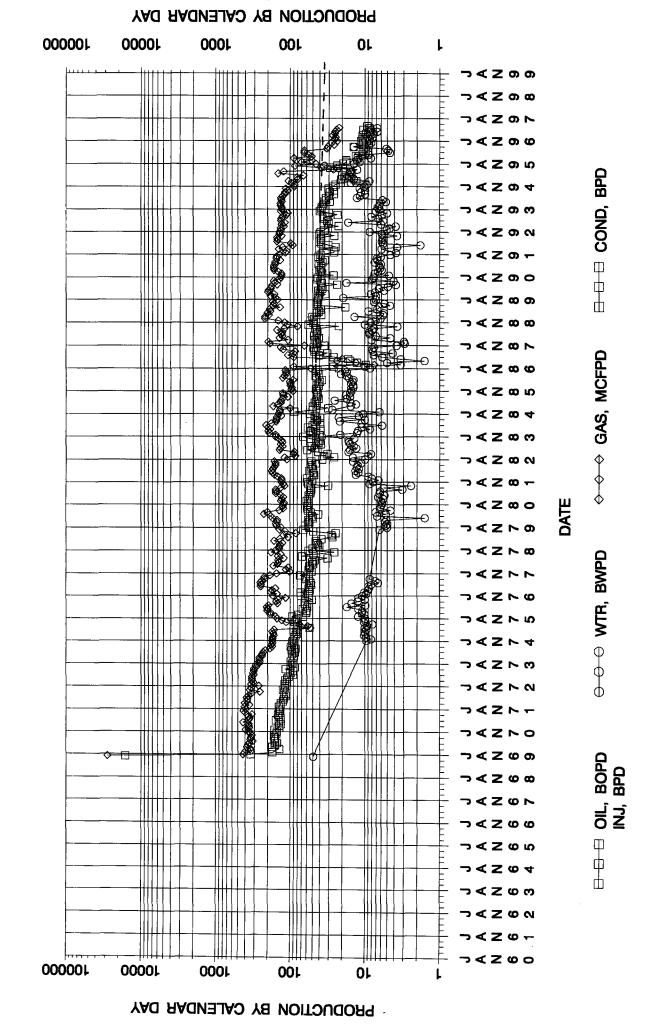
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WELL TEST PRODUCTION

Midland Operations

Allocated Production Data (all available) wARN ST. A/C 1 NO. 3



### MARATHON OIL COMPANY HOBBS, NEW MEXICO OPERATIONS **PUMPING SONIC FLUID LEVEL REPORT**

Date:

11-11-94

Field:

Vac/WC-Penn-Abo

Well:

Warn State A/C1 # 3

Fluid Level Data

Fluid Above Pump:

2895 Ft.

Casing Pressure:

37 PSIG

% Lig. in Column.:

49 % 1405 Ft. delta P: delta T:

2 PSIG 10 MIN.

NET Fld. Abv. Pmp: Net Fluid Level Depth:

7965 Ft.

**Gross Fluid Level Depth:** 

208 Jts.

Well Test Data

Date: 11-11-94

Produced:

18 bo

28 bw

46 bbls. total

Gas Vol.:

28 mcfgpd

1556 GOR (Cu.Ft./Bbl.)

Oper. @

7.19 SPM 100 " surface stroke

With an:

1.063 \* Pump

Avail, gross pump displ.

95 Bbls. per day

Run time req. to prod. test volume (% or hrs):

49% 12 hrs/day

Actual unit run time (% or hrs.):

100%

24 hrs/day

Tubing Record Data

Date: 10-25-94

Size:

1.9"

Ave. Joint Length:

31.13 Ft.

Pump Depth:

9370 Ft.

Pump Depth:

301 Jts.

**Tubing Anchor Depth:** 

9408 Ft.

TAC Depth:

302 Jts.

Perf. Depth Interval:

9478 ' 10146'

Resultant Data

**Producing Efficiency:** 

55 %

**Entered SBHP:** 

1000 PSIA

Max. Oil Rate:

33 Bbls/day

Max. Water Rate: Calculated PIP:

51 Bbls/day 556 PSIA

@ Mid-point of Perfs. Calculated PBHP:

9812 Ft. **634 PSIA** 

Skinner

Tested By:

Remarks: Previous fluid above pump:

2071 ' on

10-31-94.

### FIGURE 4

Warn1#7 1/2/98 9499 10602 30.91	• • •	ANALYZING WELL PERFORMANCE(1.2) ACOUSTIC BHP SOFTWARE BY ECHOMETER
	C02	PRODUCING BHP
39 1.05 70 125 57 41 PRODUCING 54 305 10	H2S% OIL GRAVITY(API) WATER GRAVITY(SG) SURFACE TEMP(F) BOTTOMHOLE TEMP(F) BOPD BWPD G CONDITION CASING(PSIG) # JOINTS dP dT	PBHP= 80 (PSIA) 24% LIQUID IN COLUMN LIQUID AT 9428 (FT)  STATIC BHP ENTERED SBHP= 2000 (PSIA)  VOGEL'S IPR CURVE
<del>-</del>	CONDITION CASING(PSIG) # JOINTS	99% EFFICIENCY 57.5 MAX OIL RATE 98.9 MAX LIQ RATE