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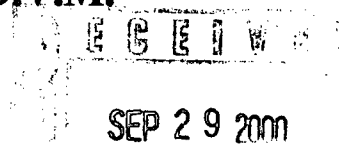
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September 28, 2000

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.  
Six Desta Drive  
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Midland, Texas 79705

Attn: Mr. Chris Cantrell

Re: Downhole Commingling Application  
State 20B Lease Well No. 7  
State Lease B-6846-1  
Unit Letter B, Section 20-17S-29E  
Grayburg Jackson Seven Rivers Queen-Grayburg-San Andres and East Empire (Yeso) Oil Pools  
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Cantrell:

Your application to downhole commingle the production from within the wellbore of the above-captioned well was received on August 23, 2000. Your application requests our approval to downhole commingle the Grayburg Jackson Seven Rivers Queen-Grayburg-San Andres and East Empire (Yeso) Oil production within the wellbore of the State 20B Lease Well No. 7 located in Unit Letter B, Section 20-17S-29E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that production from the subject well will be allocated as follows:

<u>POOL</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	
	<u>Oil %</u>	<u>Gas %</u>
Grayburg Jackson Seven Rivers Queen-Grayburg-San Andres	73%	51%
East Empire (Yeso) Oil	27%	49%
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	100%	100%

Since it appears that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's rules and regulations have been complied with, and there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling the production from the above-mentioned well is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

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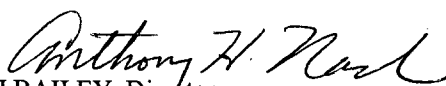
Please submit your filing fee in the amount of \$30.00.

Also, please submit a copy of the Oil Conservation Division's Order approving this application.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:   
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OCD--Attention: David Catanach, Mark Ashley