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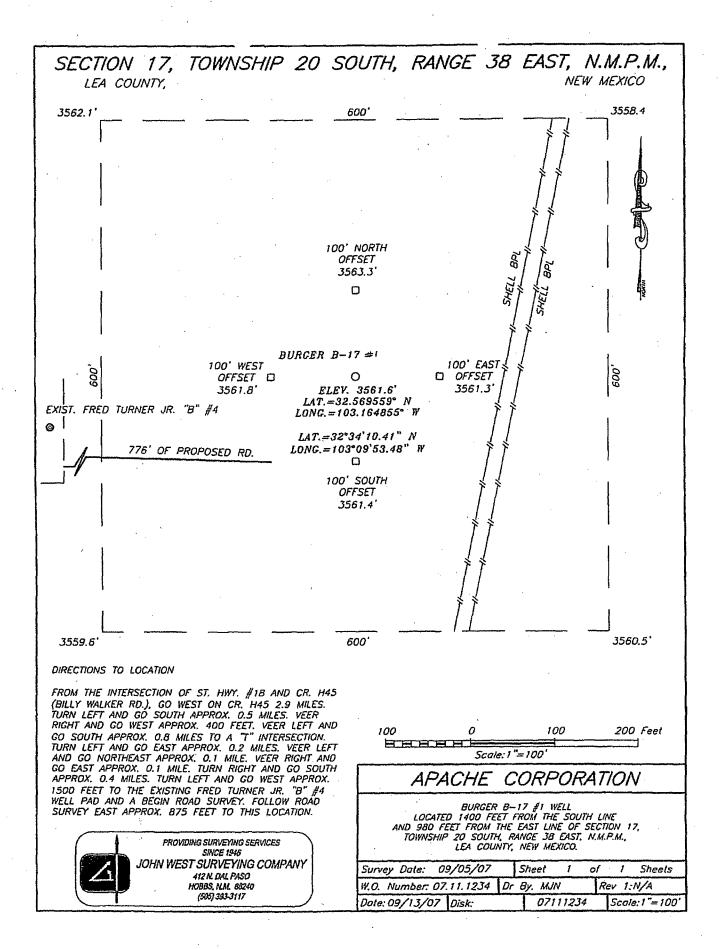
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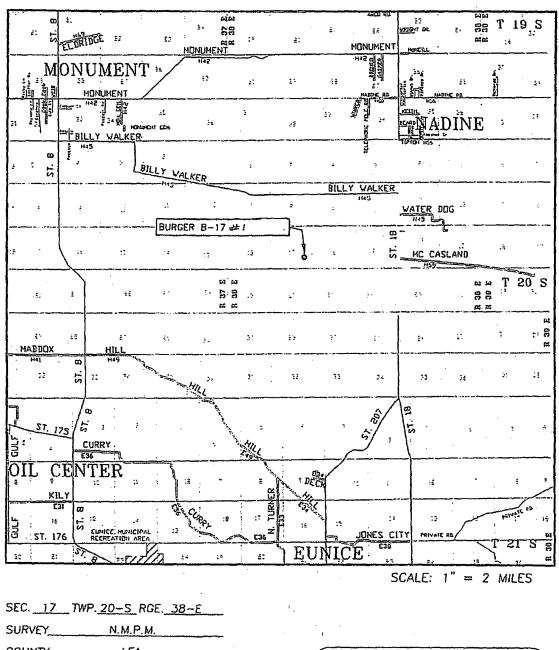
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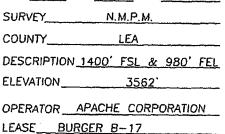
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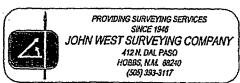
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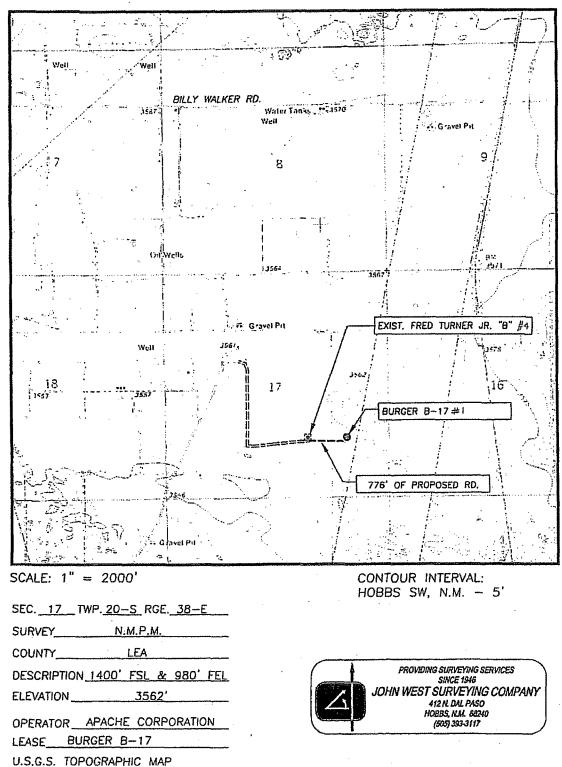




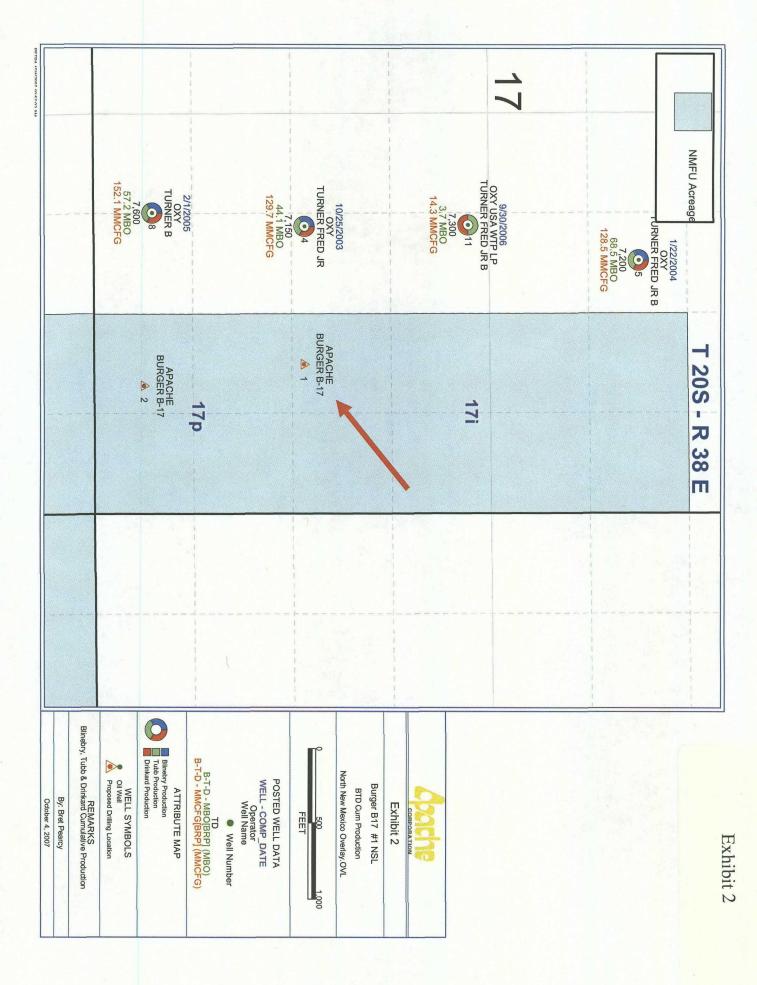


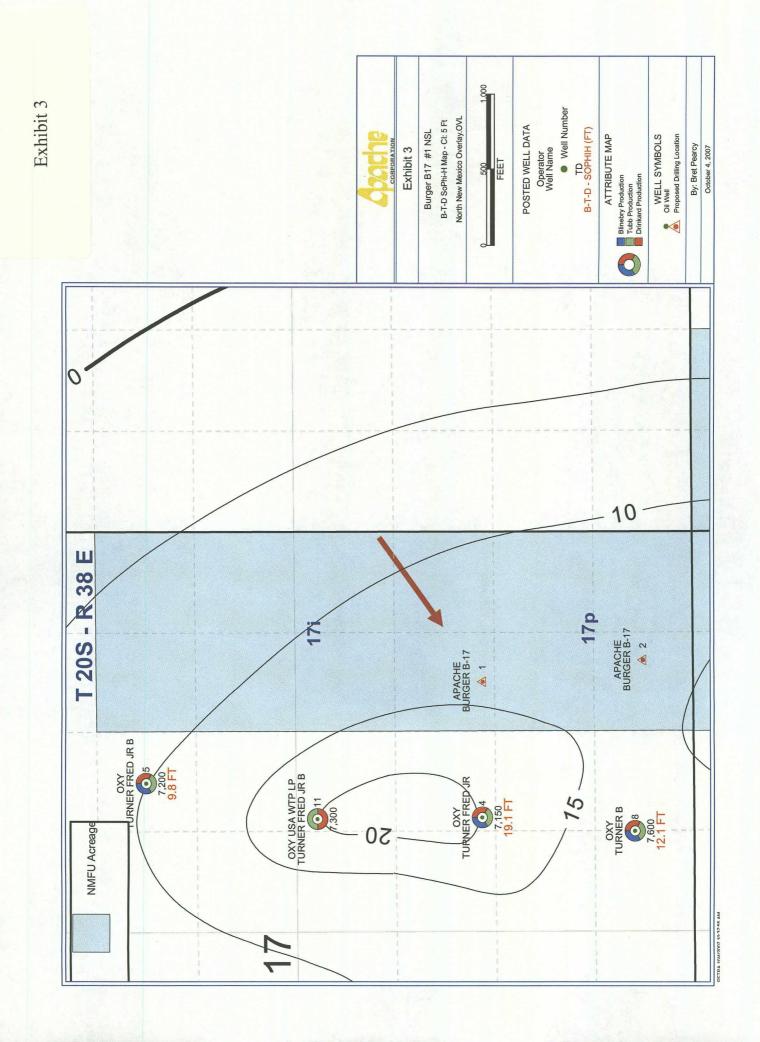
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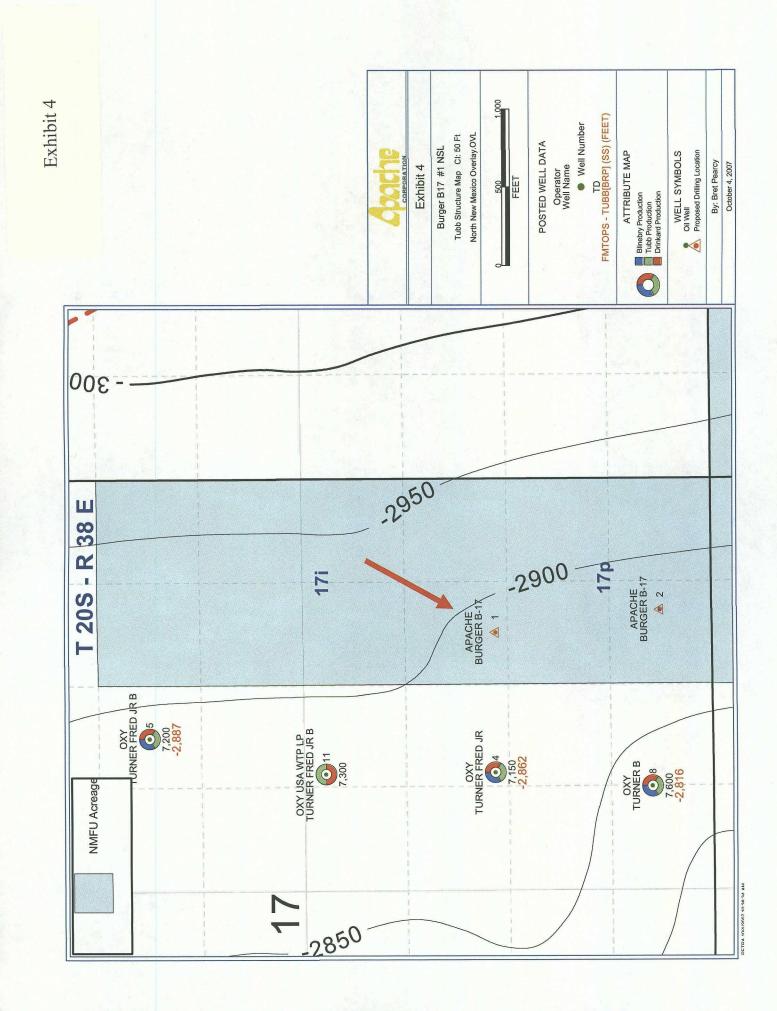
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Cc: Mayes, Kevin; Moreno, Mario; Hanson, Michelle

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The reservoir was analyzed using **Exhibit 3**. SoPhiH is the product of feet of net pay (H) times average porosity (PhiA) times oil saturation (So). The values were obtained as follows:

- Net Pay was read from modern neutron-density logs which have contractor calculated cross-plotted porosity (XPhi) using a minimum of 5% and a maximum of 20%. Additionally, gamma ray (40 APIU in the Blinebry and Drinkard and 50 APIU in the Tubb) and water saturation (10% - 50%, using a standard equation with a=1 and m=n=2) cutoffs were also employed.
- 2. Average Porosity was calculated for intervals meeting those criteria.
- 3. Oil Saturation is the additive inverse of water saturation.

This analysis requires modern neutron-density and resistivity logs. Although water saturations can be adequately estimated from offsetting modern wells, many wells had to be excluded from analysis because of the vintage or type of porosity logs. SoPhiH isopach lines were modeled after cumulative production isopach lines where new well control is lacking. This procedure has proved successful for Apache in recent drilling in the area.

b. Drainage

The following table provides drainage areas calculated from the SoPhiH map and reserves of the offsetting wells. SoPhiH values are either from modern logs, or

estimated from the grid. Wells with values determined from modern logs will be in bold.

				SoPhiH	Area	EUR	EUR
Op.	Well	Loc	Reservoir	FT	A	MBO	MMCFG
Оху	Fred Turner #4	17J	BTD	19.1	4.2	51	172
Оху	Fred Turner #5	17G	BTD	9.8	14.8	93	197
Oxy	Fred Turner #8	170	BTD	12.1	12.5	96	354
Oxy	Fred Turner #11	17J	TD	. 19	2	23	98
Apache	Burger B17 #2	17P	BTD	15	10	96	501

Reserves for the proposed location are calculated using SoPhiH centered on the proposed location and the direct offset drainage areas. Any competitive drainage is shared between the proposed well and the existing offset wells. The results are as follows:

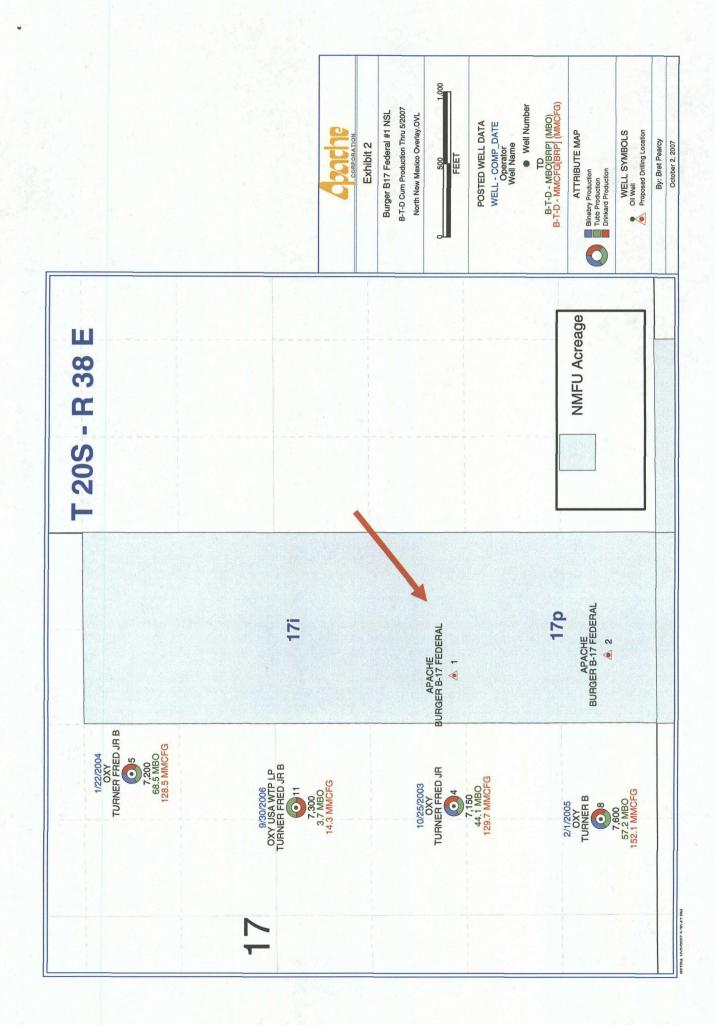
				SoPhiH	Area	EUR	EUR
Op.	Well	Loc	Reservoir	Ft	Α	MBO	MMCFG
Apache	Burger B17 #1	171	BTD	18	10	116	601

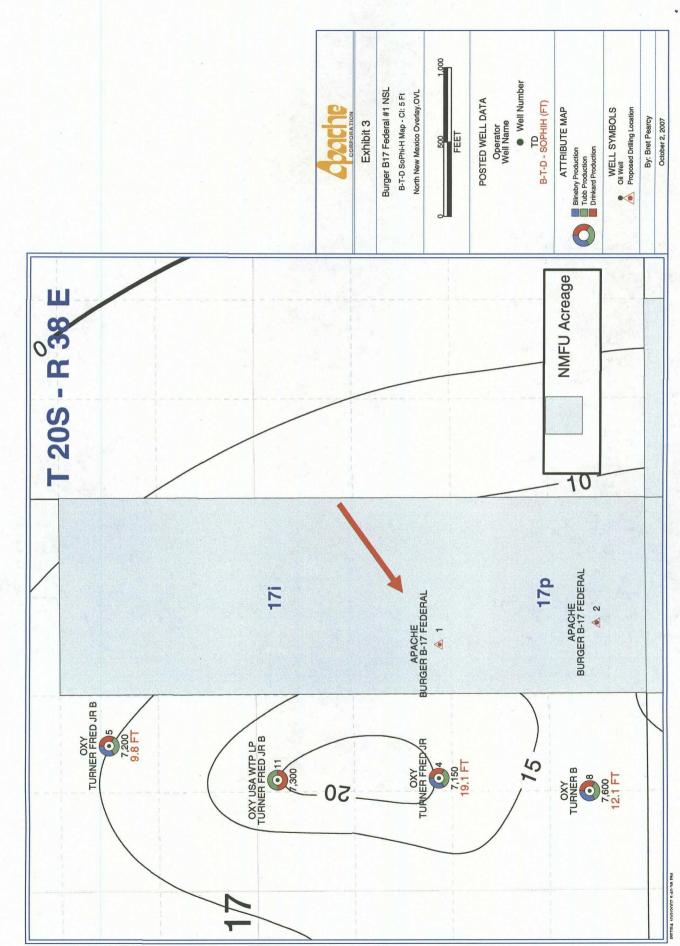
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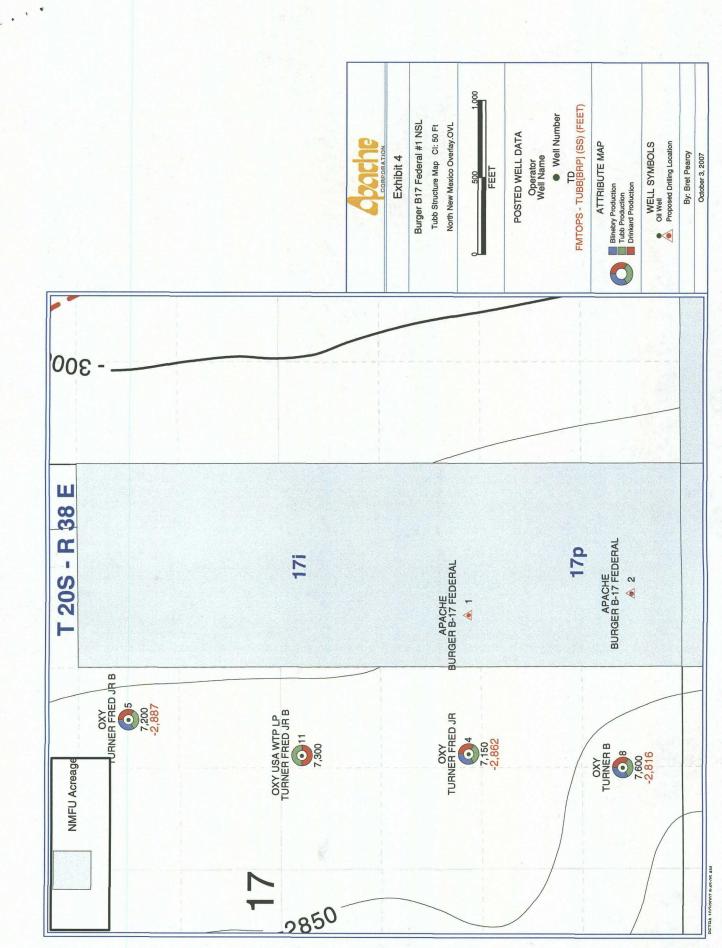
Burger B17 #1 only encroaches toward an Apache operated proration unit 17P with no Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard wells. Oxy Permian, Ltd. operates wells to the west, away from which the proposed location is a standard distance. Oxy will, however be notified at:

Oxy Permian, Ltd. PO Box 50250 Midland, Texas 79710-0250 Attn: James Spradlin

5. Approval of this application will afford the interest owners in these spacing units an opportunity to recover oil and gas which would not otherwise be recovered and to do so without violating correlative rights.







Brooks, David K., EMNRD

From: Pearcy, Bret [Bret.Pearcy@usa.apachecorp.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2007 8:27 AM

To: Brooks, David K., EMNRD

Subject: FW: Apache-Burger B17 #1 NSL Application

David,

Please disregard the word "Federal" in the well names in Exhibits 2 thru 4. I apologize for the confusion.

Thanks,

Bret

-----Original Message-----From: Pearcy, Bret Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2007 9:42 AM To: David Brooks Subject: Apache-Burger B17 #1 NSL Application

David,

Per our phone conversation I have attached Apache's application for a Non-Standard Location along with the necessary exhibits for a well located in Lea County . I am also mailing a hardcopy of the application and exhibits and putting them to your attention.

Thank you for your attention to this request and if you have any questions, concerns or need additional data please contact me via e-mail or at the phone number listed below.

Regards,

Bret Pearcy

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