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June 27, 1997

New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attn:

Mr. David Catanach, Examiner

Subject:

Surface & Lease Commingling, Off-lease Storage

Dagger Draw, South (Upper Penn, Assoc. Oil & Gas) Field

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach,

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Application for Surface Commingling, Off Lease Storage and Measurement, cont. June 27, 1997

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All interest owners in affected leases have been notified of the commingling and off-lease storage proposal. Names and addresses for each are shown in **Exhibit 4**. Also included is the application for commingling and off-lease storage to the BLM (**Exhibit 5**). Should you have any questions or need further information, please call me at (915) 686-6709. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Don Rogers

Project Manager - Indian Basin Area

OPERATOR'S COPY FORM APPROVED Form 3160-5 UNITED STATES Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135 (June 1990) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Expires: March 31, 1993 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT 5. Lease Designation and Serial No. NM-76919 Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to deepen or reenting a different reservoir. 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name Use "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT - " for such proposals 7. If Unit or CA. Agreement Designation SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE 1. Type of Well X Oil Well 8. Well Name and No. Roaring Springs 2. Name of Operator 14 Fed Com #1 Santa Fe Energy Resources. Inc. 9. API Well No. 3. Address and Telephone No. 30-015-26081 550 W. Texas, Suite 1330, Midland, TX 79701915/686-6624 10. Field and Pool, or exploratory Area 4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) Dagger Draw. South (E), 1650' FNL & 990' FWL. Sec. 14, T-21S, R-23E (Upper Penn) 11. County or Parish, State Eddy NM CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA 12. TYPE OF SUBMISSION TYPE OF ACTION Notice of Intent Abandonment Change of Plans Recompletion New Construction Subsequent Report Plugging Back Non-Routine Fracturing Casing Repair Water Shut-Off Final Abandonment Notice Altering Casing Conversion to Injection Other Surface Commingling. Dispose Water Off-lease Storage & Measure Measure Report results of mustiple completion on Well 13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work. If well is directionally drilled. give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markers and zones pertinent to this work.)* Please see attached form for surface commingling, off-lease storage, and measurement for the Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #1
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Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #4 (E). 14-21S-23E (B), 14-21S-23E (K), 14-21S-23E Roaring Springs Battery I is located at (E), 14-21S-23E. See attached maps and facility design. SEE ATTACKED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL foregoing is true and correct 14. I hereby certify that the Date Feb. 7, 1997 Title Project Manager (This space for Federal or State office use) Approved by ORIG. SGD. ALEXIS C. SWOBODA BETHO! FIN ENGINEER Conditions of approval, if any:

or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements

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- 3. This agency reserves the right to modify or rescind approval whenever it determines continued use of the approved method may adversely affect the surface or subsurface environments.
- 4. This approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.
- 5. Additional wells and/or leases require additional commingling approvals.
- 6. This approval does not constitute right-of-way approval for any off-lease activities. Within 30 days, an application for right-of-way approval must be submitted to the Realty Section if not already done.

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Plugging Back

Casing Repair

Altering Casing

Other Surface Commingling.

Off-lease Storage & Measurement of the Control of t

Please see attached form for surface commingling, off-lease storage, and measurement for the wells:

Roaring Springs "13" Fed #1
Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #5

Subsequent Report

Final Abandonment Notice

(D), 13-21S-23E (H). 14-21S-23E

Roaring Springs Battery II is located at (H), 14-21S-23E. See attached maps and facility design.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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Non-Routine Fracturing

Conversion to Injection

Water Shut-Off

Dispose Water

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct Signed	Title P	roject Manager	Date	Feb. 7, 1997
(This space for Federal or State office use) Approved by: ORIG, SGD.) ALEXIS C. SWOBODA Conditions of approval, if any:	Title _	GETROLEUM ENGINEER	Date	MAR 0.0 1997
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BUREAU OF THE STATE OF THE STAT Application for Surface Commingling, Off-Lease Storage and Measurement Approval

This Format Should Be Attached to a Sundry Notice

To: Bureau of Land Management

P. O. Box 1778

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88221-1778

Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc. is requesting approval for surface commingling and off-lease storage and measurement of hydrocarbon production from the following formation(s) and well(s) on:

Roaring Springs Battery I (located at 14E-21S-23E)

Fed Lse No	Lease Name	Well	Location	Formation
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NM-76919	Roaring Springs "14" Fed (S/2)	4	14K-21S-23E	Upper Penn

Roaring Springs Battery II (located at 14H-21S-23E)

Fed Lse No	Lease Name	<u>Well</u>	Location	Formation
NM-76919 NM-80628	Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com (N/2)	5	14H-21S-23E	Upper Penn
* NM-76919	Roaring Springs "14" Fed (S/2)	3	14P-21S-23E	Upper Penn
NM-76919	Roaring Springs "13" Fed	1	13D-21S-23E	Upper Penn

^{*} BLM approved location, scheduled to be drilled in 1997

Production from all active and shut-in wells to be commingled as follows:

Well Name and Number	BOPD	Oil Gravity	MCFD
Roaring Springs "13" Fed #1	409	42	3,174
Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #1	49	42	1,365
Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #2	39	42	1,585
Roaring Springs "14" Fed #4	312	42	3,795
Roaring Springs "14" Fed Com #5	129	42	4,335

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Application for Surface Commingling, Off Lease Storage and Measurement, cont. February 10, 1997

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The proposed commingling of production is in the interest of conservation and will not result in reduced royalty or improper measurement of production.

The proposed commingling is necessary for continued operation of the above referenced Federal Leases.

We understand that the requested approval will not constitute the granting of any right-of-way or construction rights not granted by the lease instrument. We agree to submit, within 30 days, an application for right-of-way approval to the BLM's Realty Section in your office, if not previously submitted. We also understand that additional wells added to the system would require separate commingling approvals.

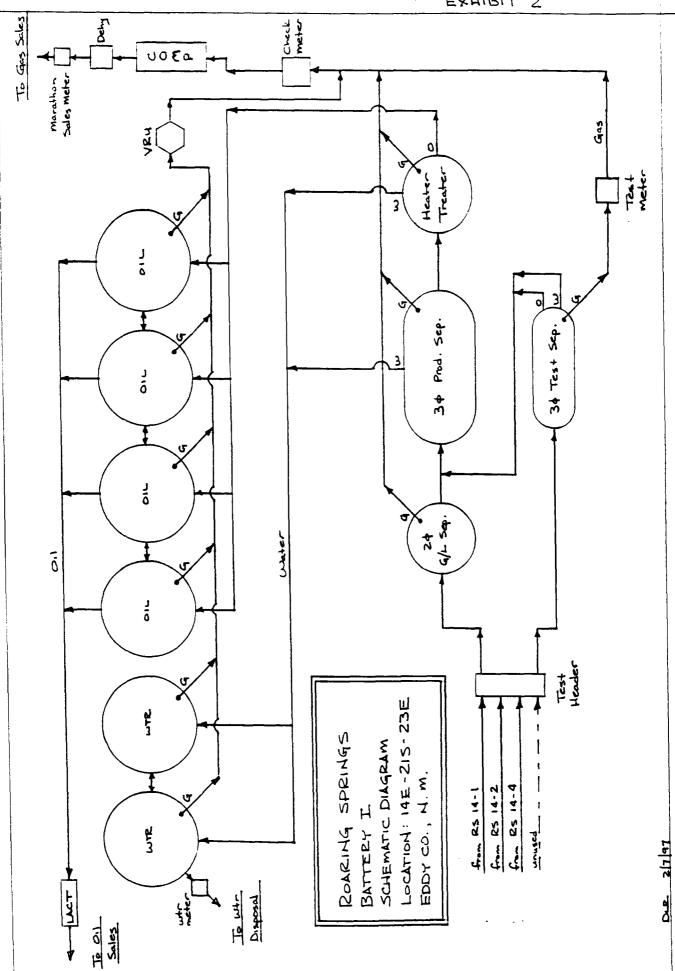
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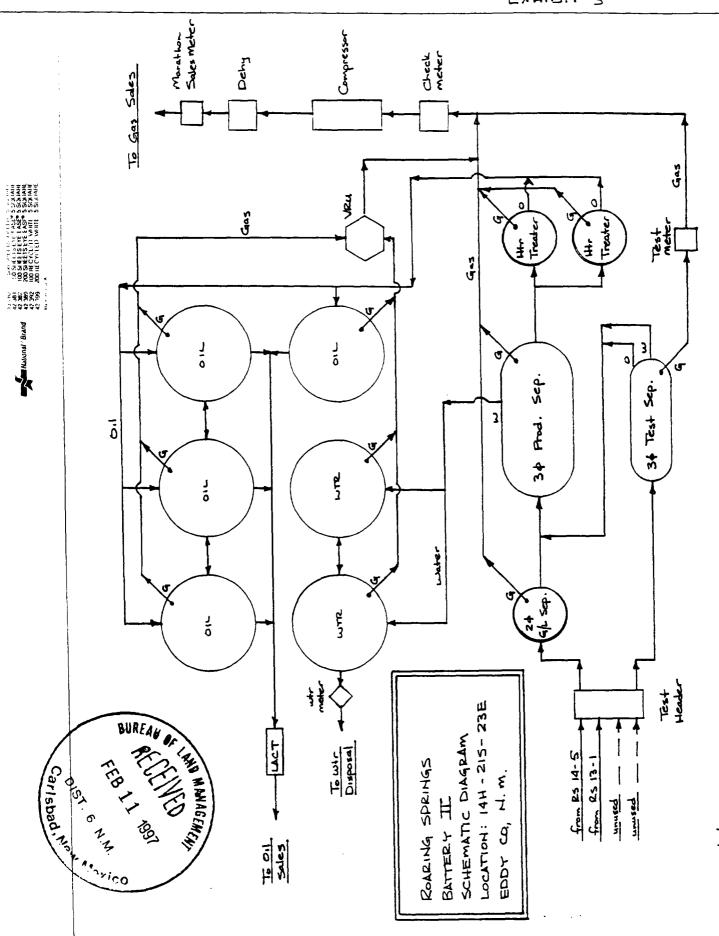
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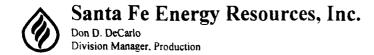
Working Interest and Royalty Interest Owner List

Exhibit 4

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Bill Fenn P. O. Drawer 569 Giddings, Texas 78942





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Attn: Randy Patterson

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