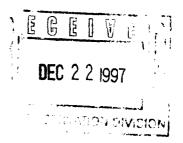
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Permian Basin Production Business Unit



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Administrative Application for Surface Commingling North Lusk-Strawn Field Spear Federal #1 2310' FNL & 2308' FWL, Unit F, Sec. 33, T18S, R32E Keel"A" Federal #3 2173' FNL & 2191' FEL, Unit G, Sec. 33, T18S, R32E Lea County, New Mexico

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attention: Mr. William J. LeMay - Director

Dear Mr. LeMay:

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Chevron U.S.A., Inc. respectfully requests administrative approval for surface commingling of the production from the above described wells.

Spear Federal #1 is completed in North Lusk-Strawn. The IP was 168 bopd, 0 bwpd, and 396 mcfpd. The API gravity is 45.1° at 60° F. Keel "A" Federal #3 has recently been completed in North Lusk-Strawn. The IP is 430 bopd, 1 bwpd, and 706 mcfpd. The API gravity is 44.6° at 60° F.

The commingling of these three wells will allow the producing of the wells with one battery at a savings of approximately \$50,000. The oils are from the same zone and will be compatible. The value of the commingled oil will be the same as the individual oils. The working interest owners and royalty owners are the same on the two leases. Attached is a schematic diagram of the production facility.

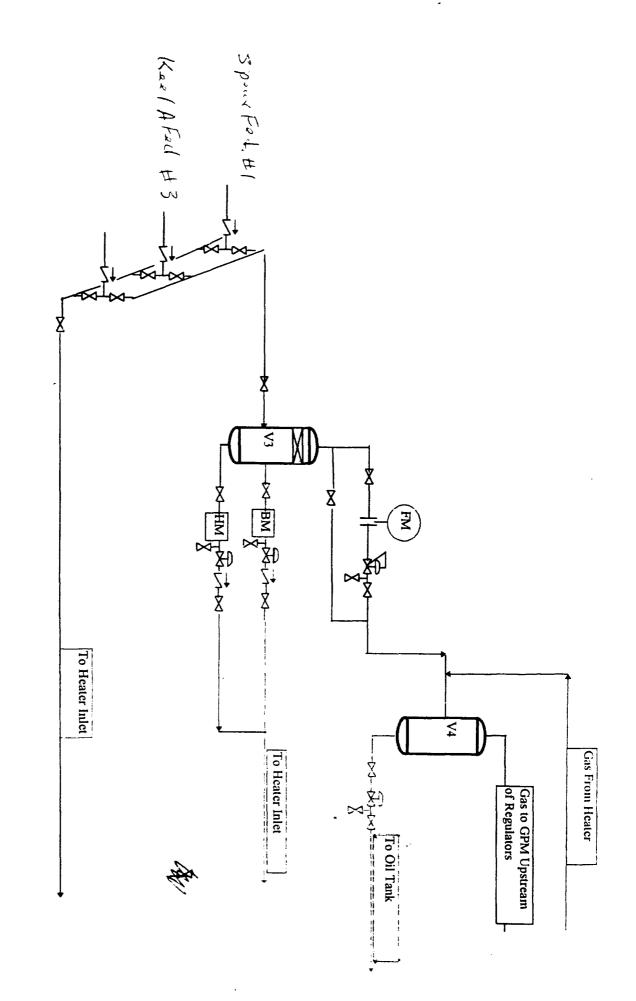
If you have any questions, of if you require further information, please contact Lloyd Trautman at (915) 687-7152.

Sincerely,

J. K. Ripley J. K. Ripley

Attachments

NMOCD - Hobbs, NM cc: NM State Land Office - Santa Fe, NM



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