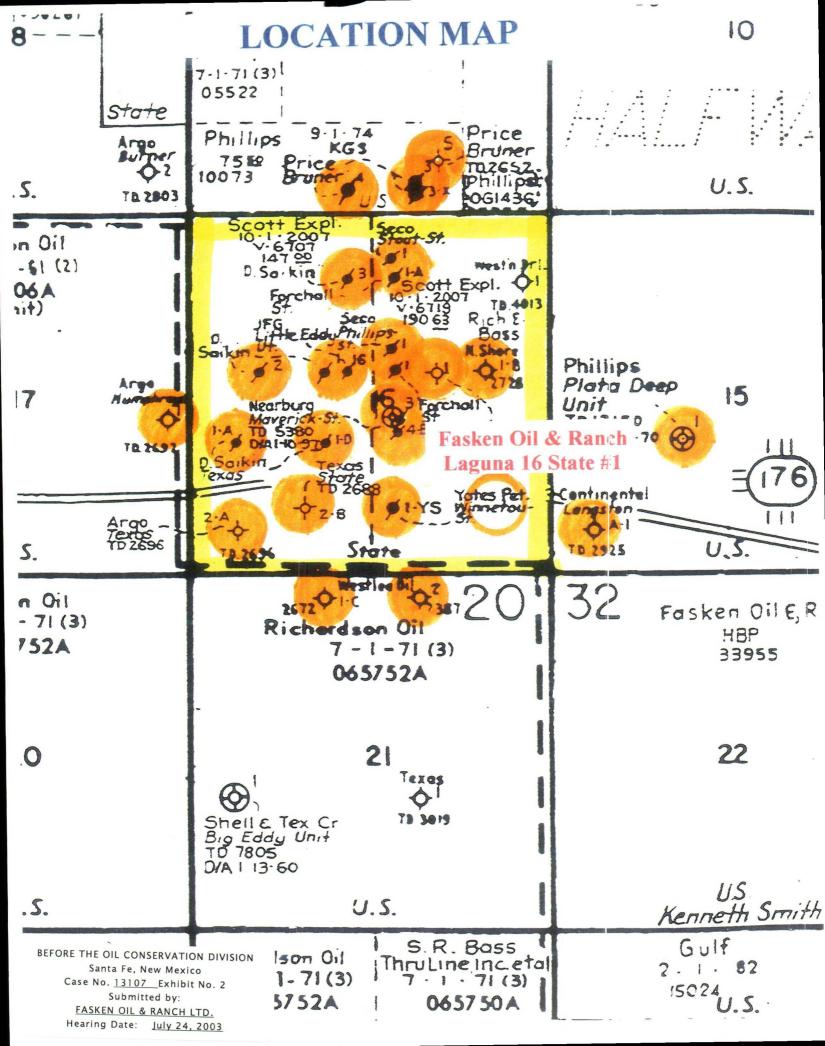
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May 13, 2003

Mr. Chris Williams New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1625 N. French Drive Hobbs, NM 88240

Dear Mr. Williams,

Re: Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. Application for Permit to Drill Laguna "16" State No. 1 Section 16, T20S, R32E Lea County, New Mexico

Attached you will find the original and 5 copies of Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd.'s Application for Permit to Drill (Form C-101) the Laguna "16" State No. 1 located at 660' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 16, T20S, R32E, Lea County, New Mexico. Note this location is on a State of New Mexico lease in the potash area.

A copy of our letter to Mr. Jeff Albers of the New Mexico State Land Office is included in this package. Please note we have submitted a copy of our Application by "certified mail, return receipt requested" to both IMC Potash and Mississippi Potash as lessees in the area. Copies of the return receipt from both companies will be forwarded to you as soon as they are available.

Any questions concerning this Application may be addressed to either Mr. Tommy Taylor or me at the number listed above.

Yours truly,

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Form C-101 Revised March 17, 1999

Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505 Submit to appropriate District Office State Lease - 6 Copies Fee Lease - 5 Copies

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

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Recommended Procedure

Laguna "16" State No. 1 ------Wildcat - Morrow 660' FSL & 660' FEL Sec. 16, T20S, R32E Lea County, NM

- 1. Set and cement 30" conductor at 40'. MIRU rotary tools.
- 2. Drill 26" hole to 920' with spud mud. Set and cement 20" casing at 920'. Use inter-string cementing collar cementing casing through 4-1/2" drill pipe. Mix and pump 850 sx Class "C" with 4% gel and 2% CaCl₂, (s.w. 13.50 ppg, yield 1.74 ft³/sx) and an estimated 500 sx Class "C" cement with 2% CaCl₂ (s.w. 14.8 ppg, yield 1.32 ft³/sx). Continue mixing tail slurry until circulation of cement is established. WOC for 6 hrs. Cut-off casing and weld on 20-3/4" 3000# SOW bradenhead and NU 21-1/4" 2000# annuluar preventor with double studded adapter. WOC 12 hrs. before drilling out shoe joint.
- 3. Drill 17-1/2" hole to 2600' with 10 ppg brine water water. Control seepage with paper. Sweep hole with salt gel and paper to improve hole cleaning.
- 4. Set and cement 13-3/8" casing at 2600' with estimated 1600 sx BJ Lite with 12# salt and ¼# celloseal (s.w. 12.4 ppg, yield 2.0 ft³/sx), 400 sx Class "C" with 4% gel and 2% CaCl₂ (s.w. 13.5 ppg, yield 1.74 ft³/sx) plus 200 sx Class "C" with 2% CaCl₂ (s.w. 14.8 ppg, yield 1.34 ft³/sx). Set slips, cut-off casing, ND 20" annular and NU 20-3/4" 3000 psi x 13-5/8" 5000 psi intermediate spool and 13-5/8" 10,000 psi BOP stack with rotating head. WOC 12 hrs. before drilling out shoe joint. Set up DST test line complete with test tank. Install H₂S monitor equipment, escape packs, briefing stations and PVT equipment. Hook up mud gas separator. RU and begin mud logging at drill out of 13-3/8" shoe.
- 5. Drill 12-1/4" hole to 4500' with 9.0 ppg cut brine. Control seepage with paper. Sweep hole with salt gel/polymer and paper to improve hole cleaning. Partial or full returns may be lost in the Capitan Reef interval from 3000' through 4000'. Control losses with 75-100 bbl mud/LCM pills as necessary.
- 6. Set and cement 9-5/8" casing at 4500' with DV tool at 3000' as follows;

<u>First stage</u>: 350 sx BJ Lite "C" with 8# salt, 5# gilsonite and ½# celloflake (s.w. 12.4 ppg, yield 2.00 ft³/sx) plus 200 sx Class"C" neat (s.w. 14.8 ppg, yield 1.33 ft³/sx).

Second stage: 550 sx BJ Lite "C" with 8# salt and ¼# celloflake (s.w. 12.4 ppg, yield 2.00 ft³/sx) plus 200 sx Class "C" neat (s.w. 14.8 ppg, yield 1.33 ft³/sx).

- Install 13-5/8" 5000 psi x 11" 10,000 psi intermediate spool. NU 13-5/8" 10,000 psi B.O.P.'s. Install hydraulic Super Choke. WOC 12 hours. TIH and drill out DV tool. Pressure test casing and DV tool with rig pump to 1500 psig.
- 8. Drill 8-1/2" hole to total depth of 13,400'. Drill out using fresh water to a depth of 10,100'. Convert to 10.0 ppg brine water at 10,100' just above the 3rd Bone Springs sand. Mud up as dictated by hole conditions or by 11,500' with XCD, starch and PAC mud system. Increase viscosity with or polymer as needed to clean hole. Maintain 10.0-11.0 ppg and 10 cc water loss to total depth. <u>NOTE</u>: RU barite bin and be prepared to raise mud weight to 12 ppg in the Atoka-Morrow interval if necessary.
- 9. Hydrostatically test 200' of 9-5/8" casing to 5000 psig, casing spool, BOP's, and choke manifold to 300-7500 psig, and hydril to 3000 psig on first bit trip or prior to reaching 9,000'.
- 10. DST all shows.

Laguna "16" State No. 1 Recommended Drilling Procedure Page 2

- 11. Log well with DLL-MSFL and CNL-LDT using Schlumberger Platform Express.
- 12. Install 5-1/2" BOP rams, run and cement 5-1/2" production casing (resin coated and centralized through pay zones) with DV tool at 10,300' as follows;

<u>First Stage</u>: 10 bfw + 500 gallons Mud Clean II + 10 bfw and 700 sx Super "C" Modified (15 #/sx Poz A and 11 #/sx CSE), 1% Salt, 1.4% FL-25 and 0.2% CD-32 (s.w. 14.0 ppg, yield 1.34 ft³/sx). Batch mix first stage slurry. Circulate 6 hrs. between stages.

<u>Second Stage</u>: 500 sx BJ Lite "C" with 6% gel (s.w. 12.4 ppg, yield 2.01 ft³/sx) plus 200 sx Class "H" neat (s.w. 15.6 ppg, yield 1.18 ft³/sx). Calculate second stage cement volume for TOC at 4000'.

- 13. Set slips, nipple down BOP's and install 11"-10,000 psi x 7-1/16"- 10,000 psi tubinghead and flow tree.
- 14. Run temperature survey to locate cement top.
- 15. Rig down and move out rotary tools.
- 16. Level location, set mast anchors, move in and rig up completion unit.
- 17. Install BOP, RIW with 4-3/4" bit, casing scraper, 6 3-1/2" drill collars and 2-7/8" tubing. Drill out DV tool. Reciprocate scraper through DV 10 times. Pressure test casing to 3000 psig. RIW and drill out cement to float collar, circulate hole clean with 3% KCL water containing oxygen scavenger and corrosion inhibitor. Pressure test casing to 5000 psig. POW with tubing and lay down tools.
- 18. RIW with packer, T.O.S.S.D. with "F" profile nipple and 2-7/8" tubing. Set packer, install flow tree, swab down tubing and perforate pay interval.
- 19. Flow test well, evaluate, and stimulate if necessary.
- 20. RDPU. Clean and level location.
- 21. Run C.A.O.F.P. and pressure build up.
- 22. Connect surface equipment.

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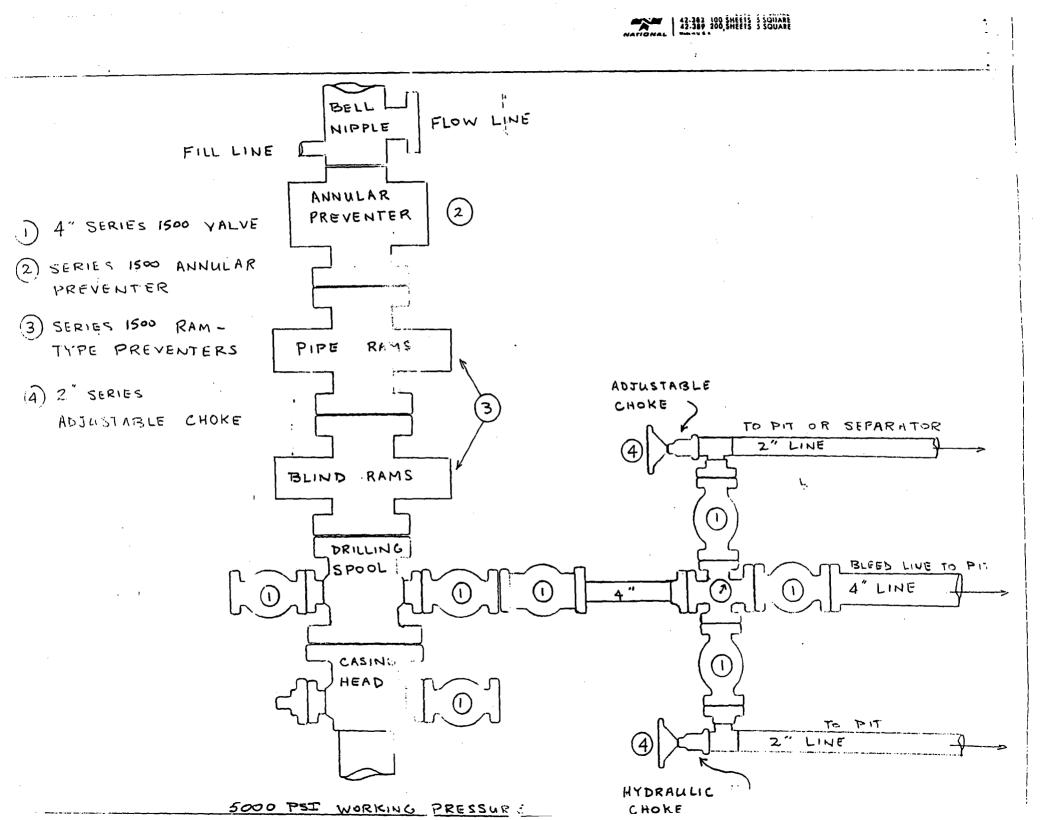
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Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd.-----Laguna "16" State No. 1-----Wildcat-Morrow Field Lea County, NM

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IMC Potash Carlsbad Inc. P. O. Box 71 1361 Potash Mines Road Carlsbad, New Mexico 88221-0071 505.887.2871 505.887.0589 Fax

May 14, 2003 Mr. Jimmy D. Carlile Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. 303 West Wall Avenue, Suite 1800 Midland, Texas 79701-5116

RE: Proposed Gas Well: Laguna "16" State No. 1 Section 16, T20S-R32E, N.M.P.M. 660' SNL & 660' FEL Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Carlile:

IMC Potash Carlsbad Inc. (IMC) received notice that Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. intends to drill a deep well at the above referenced location. IMC is the tenant at will to a State Potash lease that is in the process of being approved on the East ½ of Section 16, and holds a Federal Potash lease on Sections 17 and 22. IMC **does object** to Fasken Oil drilling the well because the proposed location has measured potash reserves on it that were confirmed by core drilling. The area is inside IMC's "Life of Mine Reserves" LMR and will interfere with the development of potash resources controlled by IMC.

To prevent the waste of potash resources and provide a "buffer" between LMR ore and oil & gas activities, IMC suggests that Fasken consider a surface location for the proposed well in the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 16, at a point no more than 1650' FWL. The West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 16 has several wells on it, and while an another hole adds additional risk, locating the well in the West $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 16 minimizes its affects on potash.

The above consideration is based on the best available information at this time; as more information becomes available our estimates of the extent of the potash resources in the area may change. Therefore, please consider the "objections offered" and "no objection offered" to the well locations to be valid for one year only. If you are still considering a well location that a potash operator has or has not objected to, more than one year prior, notify us again at that time so we can make the decision based on current information.

Sincerely,

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John Purcell Chief Mine Engineer

cc:	Don Purvis Dan Morehouse,	Charlie High Craig Cranston, BLM	Lori Wroteneery, OCD Betty Hill, BLM	BEFORE EXAMINER STOGNER
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Yours truly,

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Case No. <u>13107</u>Exhibit No. 4 Submitted by: <u>FASKEN OIL & RANCH LTD.</u> Hearing Date: <u>July 24, 2003</u>

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Dear Mr. Purcell,

Re: Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. Application for Permit to Drill Laguna "16" State No. 1 Section 16, T20S, R32E Lea County, New Mexico

Attached you will find a copy of Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd.'s Application for Permit to Drill (Form C-101) the Laguna "16" State No. 1 located at 660' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 16, T20S, R32E, Lea County, New Mexico.

Any questions concerning this Application may be addressed to either Mr. Tommy Taylor or me at the number listed above.

Yours truly,

Kinny & Carline

Jimmy D. Carlile Regulatory Affairs Coordinator

303 WEST WALL AVENUE, SUITE 1800 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701-5116

(432) 687-1777

Jimmy D. Carlile Regulatory Affairs Coordinator

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May 8, 2003

Mr. Jeff Albers New Mexico State Land Office Oil and Gas Minerals Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail P. O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

Dear Mr. Albers,

Re: Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. Notice of Application for Permit to Drill in the Known Potash Leasing Area Laguna "16" State No. 1 660' FSL, 660' FEL, Section 16, T20S, R32E Lea County, New Mexico

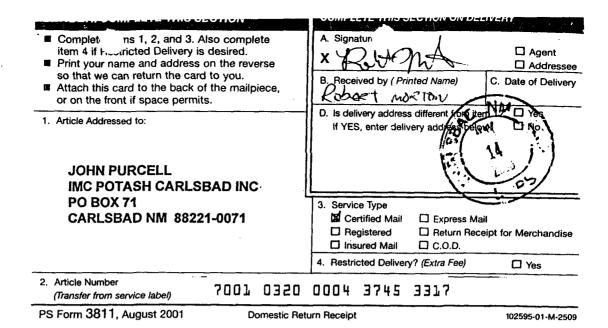
This letter serves as notice that Fasken Oil and Ranch, Ltd. is filing an Application for Permit to Drill (Form C-101) with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to drill its Laguna "16" State No. 1 at the location listed above. The subject well is proposed as a Wildcat (Morrow) gas well to be drilled to a total depth of 13,200'.

If you have any questions concerning the drilling of this well, please contact me at (915) 687-1777.

Yours truly,

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Jimmy D. Carlile Regulatory Affairs Coordinator



COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION A. Signature Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired. Agent Х Print your name and address on the reverse Addressee so that we can return the card to you. B Received by C. Date of Delivery Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece. or on the front if space permits. D. Is delivery address differen Yes 1. Article Addressed to: 🗖 No If YES, enter delivery **MISSISSIPPI POTASH INC PO BOX 101** CARLSBAD NM 88220-0101 3. Service Type Certified Mail C Express Mail Registered C Return Receipt for Merchandise 🗖 C.O.D. Insured Mail 4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) C Yes 2. Article Number 7001 0320 0004 3745 3300 (Transfer from service label)

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FASKEN OIL & RANCH LTD FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE POTASH AREA, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO. 13107

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO)) ss. COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

Michael H. Feldewert, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Fasken Oil & Ranch,

Ltd., the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that notice of the abovereferenced Application was mailed to the addresses shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of receipt are attached hereto.

Sell

Michael H. Feldewert

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this Aday of July, 2003.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Case No. <u>13107</u>Exhibit No. 6 Submitted by: <u>FASKEN OIL & RANCH LTD.</u> Hearing Date: <u>July 24, 2003</u>

EXHIBIT A

Mr. Tom McGuire Mississippi Potash P.O. Box 101 Carlsbad, NM 88220

Mr. John Purcell IMC Potash P.O. Box 71 Carlsbad, NM 88220

Mr. Jeff Albers New Mexico State Land Office Oil & Gas Minerals Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

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June 26, 2003

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Mr. Tom McGuire Mississippi Potash P.O. Box 101 Carlsbad, NM 88220 Mr. John Purcell IMC Potash P.O. Box 71 Carlsbad, NM 88220

Mr. Jeff Albers New Mexico State Land Office Oil & Gas Minerals Division P.O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1148

Re: Application of Fasken Oil & Ranch Ltd. for an Order Authorizing the Drilling of a Well in the Potash Area, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Affected Parties:

This letter is to advise you that Fasken Oil & Ranch Ltd. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on July 24, 2003. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

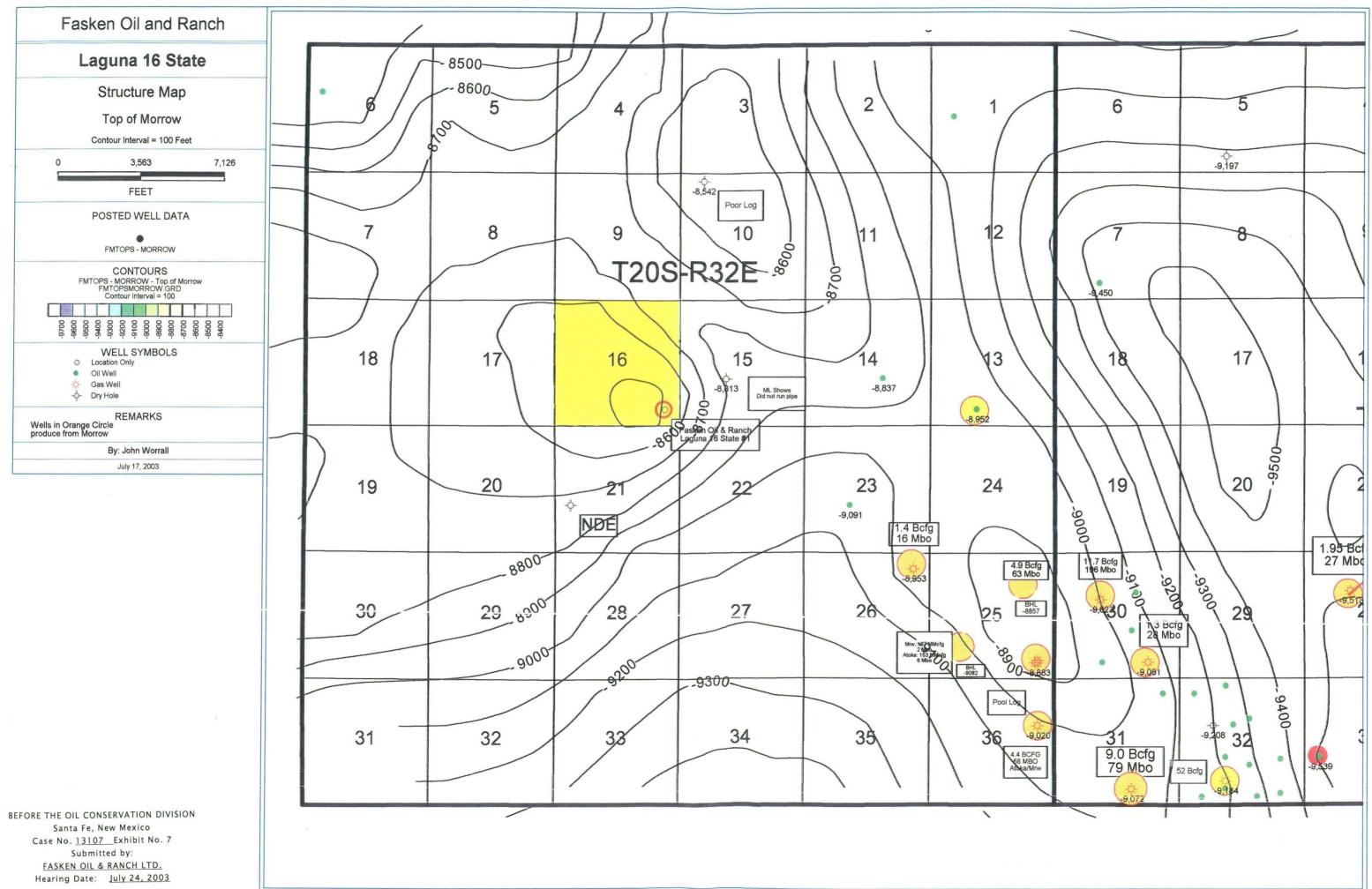
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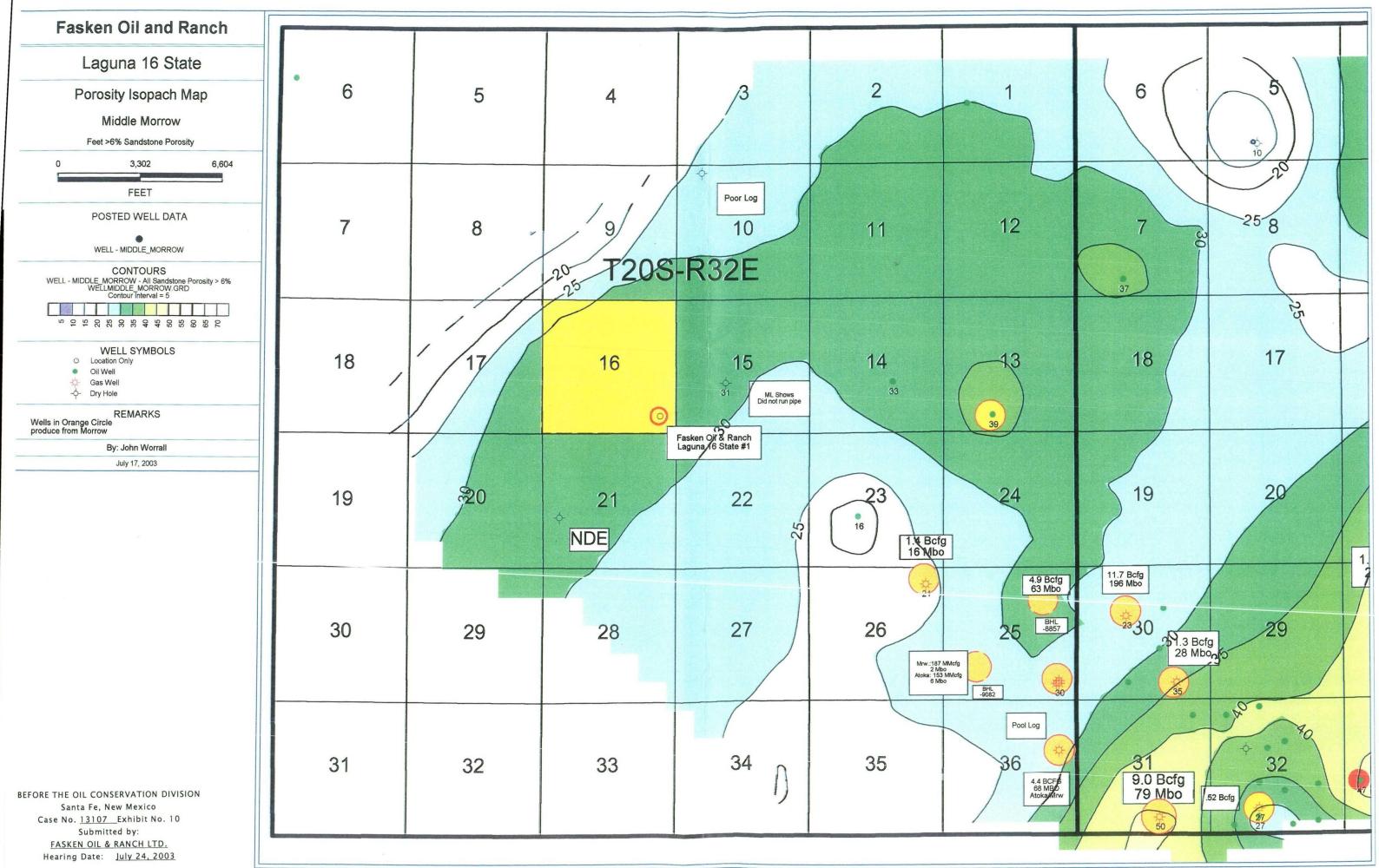
Sincerely,

Michael H. Feldewert Holland & Hart, LLP Attorneys for Fasken Oil & Ranch Ltd.

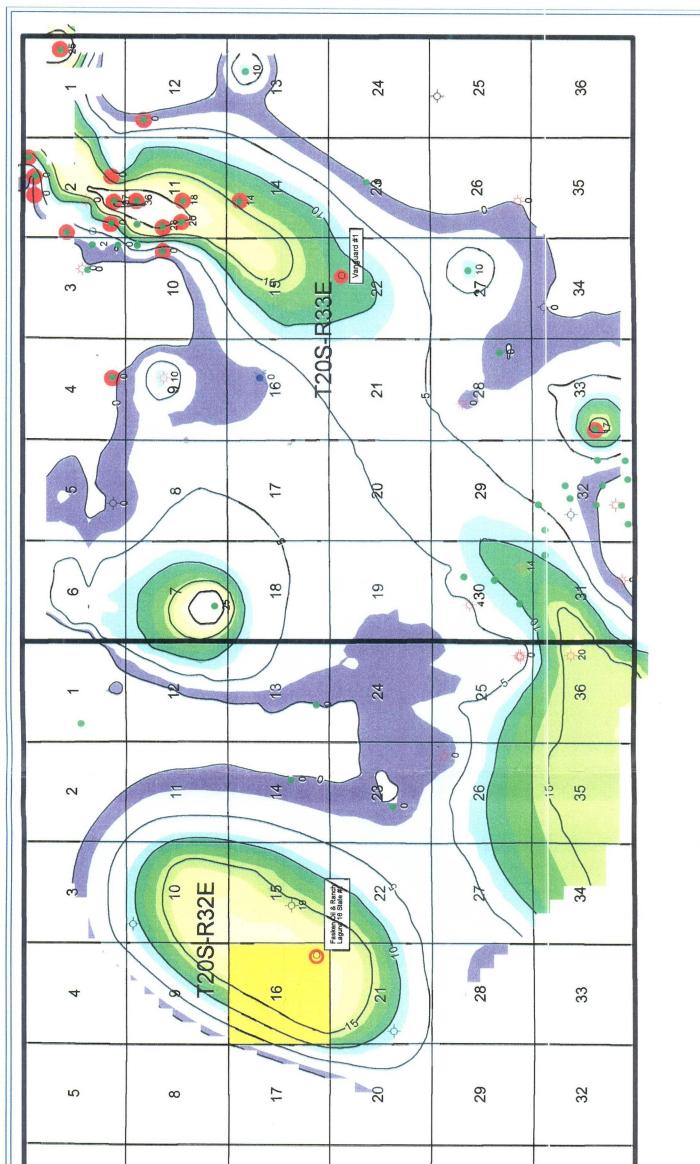
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