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VIA FACSIMILE AND HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Jim Morrow Hearing Examiner Oil Conservation Division 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: NMOCD Case 11077 Application of Santa Fe Operating Partners, L.P. for compulsory pooling, an unorthodox gas well location and directional drilling, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Morrow:

On September 1, 1994, you heard the referenced case at which I expressed Mr. Walter Krug's concerns about the Santa Fe Operating Partners damaging the Yates formation from which Mr. Krug's offsetting wells produce.

On September 26, 1994, I received a copy of Santa Fe Operating Partners' proposed drilling plan for the referenced well which Mr. Darrell Roberts submitted to you in response to my request.

On behalf of Walter Krug dba Wallen Production Company, I wish to express his concern that:

(1) Based upon Mr. Krug's contour map, the Santa Fe well is in the "dead center" of the Yates sand and is close to and in line with Mr. Krug's water injection pattern for his proposed Yates sand waterflood project (See attachment "A"); Mr. Jim Morrow October 4, 1994 Page 2

(2) That the Santa Fe will set the 17-1/2" casing at 3300 feet, just above the top of the Yates pay in the Krug wells;

(3) That Santa Fe will then leave the Yates sand open to and exposed to mud contamination while it drills to 5,200 feet and then sets the 13-3/8" casing;

(4) That the Yates sand will be open to mud contamination for almost 2,000 feet;

(5) That the water used for drilling this interval will be a fairly thick mud within about 15 minutes and they will put a large mud ball (because of hydrostatic head and surface pump pressure) right in the way of Krug's water flood pattern thereby substantially impairing his correlative rights and causing waste of recoverable hydrocarbons from the Yates sand.

While Mr. Krug prefers that Santa Fe not drill this well at this location, should you decide to approve the location, then Mr. Krug urges you to require Santa Fe to amend its drilling program to insure Mr. Krug's Yates production will be protected. It is our understand that Santa Fe Operating will commence the subject well on or before October 12, 1994 and therefore time is of the essence.

ery truty yours. W. Thomas Kellahin

 ce: VIA FACSIMILE: Jim Bruce, Esq. Attorney for Santa Fe Operating Partners. LP
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Mr. Jim Morrow New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2066

Dear Mr. Morrow:

As part of the testimony for NMOCD Docket No.25-94, Case 11077, Application of Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P., for compulsory pooling, an unorthodox gas well location, and directional drilling, Lea County, New Mexico; Santa Fe Energy Operating Partners, L.P. agreed to supply the NMOCD and Wallen Production Co. with a detailed drilling plan for our Sinagua "18" Fed. Com. No.2. Attached is a copy of the subject drilling plan.

Should questions arise, please feel free to contact me at 915-686-6614.

5. 199.5307 Sincerely, Dancel Pohents Darrell Roberts **Division Drilling Engineer**

Additional Transmittals

Mr. James Bruce - Hinkle Law Firm - Santa Fe, NM Mr. Jerry Sexton - NMOCD - Hobbs, NM Mr. Walter Krug - Wallen Prod. Co. - Midland, TX Mr. Tom Kellahin - Kellahin and Kellahin - Santa Fe, NM Mr. Curtis Smith - SFEOP,LP - Midland, TX

Central Division 550 W. Texas, Suite 1330 Midland, Texas 79701 915/687-3551



SANTA FE ENERGY OPERATING PARTNERS,L.P. DRILLING INFORMATION PACKAGE

Well Name: Sinagua "18" Fed. Com. No.2

AFE: J94046 ACTIVITY: W-4598-2

Surface Location:2041' FSL & 2171' FEL, Section 18-20S-34E, Lea County, N.M.Bottomhole Location:1300' FSL & 1300' FEL, Section 18

Elevation: 3626' G.L.

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Directions to location:

From Hobbs, N.M., traveling west on Hwy 62/180, go 26.0 miles between MM 77 & 76 and turn south on caliche County Road. Continue south on CR for approximately 2.2 miles, turn west and go 0.3 mile to the location..

Notification:

C	Covernmental A County Sheriff:	gency [Drilling Operat Surface Use 911	ions - BLM – Ho - BLM - Ho	bbs 50 bbs 50)5-393-3612 5-393-3612	
A	mbulance:	Ģ	911				
Santa Fe	Energy Resourc	es, Inc		915-687-3551/	1-800-7	76-3551	
PERS		HOM	<u>E</u>	MOBILE		OFFICE	PAGER
Darrell R	oberts	915-684-	4130	915-553-1214		915-686-6614	915-499-5307
Mike Bur	ton	915-699-	1260	915-559-6842		915-686-6616	915-499-5304
Paul Bake	er	915-689-	-9611	915-559-3459		915-686-6701	
Mike Wh	ite	918-426-	-5229	50 5-369-3085			800-405-5196
Dugan D	ouglas	915-694-	-7663	915-559-7496			915-499-5308

Formation Tops:

Rustler	1,480′
Top of Salt	1,630
Base of Salt	3,130′
Yates	3,300'
Delaware	5,500'
Bone Spring	8,400'
Wolfcamp	10,500'
Strawn	12,280′
Atoka	12,500'
Morrow	12,900′
Lower Morrow	13,450′
Total Depth	13,800'

Operations Plan:

- 1. Move in and rig up rotary rig.
- 2. Drill 26" hole to <u>+</u>450'.
- 3. Run 20" 94.0 ppf J-55 BT&C casing to TD. Install stab-in float collar on bottom for an inner string cement job. Thread lock bottom 2 joints. Fill casing with Brine water. Run centralizers placed on the top of joint Nos. 1, 3, 5, and 7. Cement with 550 sx Pacesetter Lite Cl C + 6% gel + 2% CaCl₂ and tail-in with 200 sx Cl "C" + 2% CaCl₂. Displace plug to float valve to circulate cement to surface. WOC 12 hrs prior to cutting off.
- 4. Cut off casing and weld on rental 20" casinghead. NU an annular preventer BOP system or a rotating head. WOC 24 hrs prior to drilling out.Test casing to 600 psi.
- 5. Drill 17-1/2" hole to \pm 3300'. T.D. should be at least 100' below the base of the Salt.
- 6. Run 13-3/8" 68.0 ppf S-80 BT&C casing. Cement with an estimated 2400 sx Pacesetter "C" Lite (35:65:6) + 9 pps salt + 1/4 pps cello-flakes and 250 sx Class "C" + 2% CaCl₂ to circulate cement to surface. A fluid caliper should be run prior to reaching TD and the cement volumes adjusted to fluid caliper volume + 30% excess. Run guide shoe on bottom and float collar one joint above shoe. Apply thread lock to bottom two joints, float collar and shoe. Place 15 centralizers one on every third collar, starting with the shoe joint.
- 7. Wait on cement 12 hours prior to cutting off. Cut off 20" casinghead. Orange peel 20" casing back to 13-3/8" casing, weld on rental 13-3/8" casinghead. NU an annular preventer BOP system. Test casing to 600 psi. WOC 24 hours prior to drilling out. Rig up H₂S monitoring equipment (minimum compliance package) for the drilling of the Yates section.
- 8. Drill 12-1/4" hole to $\pm 5200'$. T.D. should be in a competent Dolomite.
- 9. Run 8-5/8" 32.0 ppf K-55 & S-80 ST&C casing. Cement with an estimated 600 sx Pacesetter "C" Lite (35:65:6) + 6 pps gilsonite + 1/4 pps cello-flakes and 400 sx Class "C" + 2% CaCl₂ to circulate cement at least 200' inside the 13-3/8" casing. Loss of circulation is probable in this section. A fluid caliper would be helpful to determine cement volumes. Run a guide shoe on bottom and a float collar two joints above shoe. Apply thread lock to bottom two joints, float collar and shoe. Place 18 centralizers one on every third collar, starting with the shoe joint.
- 10. Wait on cement 12 hours prior to cutting off. Cut off 13-3/8" casinghead. Orange peel 13-3/8" casing back to 8-5/8" casing, weld on 8-5/8" SOW X 11" 5M casinghead. Install 5000 psi. BOP stack, manifold and rotating head body. Test stack and manifold to 5000 psi. Test casing to 1500 psi. WOC 24 hours prior to drilling out. Release the H₂S monitoring equipment.

- 11. Install rotating head bearing assembly and have the mud/gas separator, hydraulic choke, and PVT & flow sensor equipment operational prior to drilling into the Wolfcamp at ±10,500'.
- 12. Drill 7-7/8" hole on footage basis to <u>+</u>9,800'. Run Gyro Survey from TD back to the surface through the drill pipe. GIH w/ 7-7/8' insert bit, Slo Speed Dyna Drill, 1-1/2° Bent Sub, and Steering Tool. Directionally drill <u>+</u>200' to a deviation of 5-6° at an azimuth of 130°. POH and GIH w/ a build assembly and build angle to approximately 20°. POH and GIH w/ a hold assembly and drill to intersect the target at a TVD of 13,800' (TMD of 14,016'.)
- 13. Run open hole logs.
- 14. Run 5-1/2", 4,016' 17.0 ppf S-95 LT&C and 10,000' 17.0 ppf N-80 LT&C. Cement in two stages with a stage collar at +10,000'to bring cement to at least 200'inside the 8-5/8" casing. Volumes should be calculated from open hole caliper plus 20% excess. Cement 1st stage with Class "H" + 0.8% CF-14A + 5 % salt. Cement 2nd stage with Cl "H" + 8.0 pps CSE + 0.6% CF-14A + 3.0% salt + 1% Thrifty Lite.
- 15. ND BOP stack, install Tubing Head, and release rig
- NOTES: (1) Fax in morning report to Central Division Office 915-686-6651 every morning by 7:30 a.m. CTD. Call in report to Darrell Roberts on Saturday and Sunday by 8:00 a.m. CDT.

(2) Have mud logger (2 man team) rigged up and logging prior to drilling below 4700'to help pick casing point.

(3) Run deviation surveys every 500'.

Casing Program:

SIZE	PPF	GRD	<u>THRD</u>	<u>INTERVAL</u>	LOCATION PRIOR TO SPUD
20"	94.0	J-55	BT&C	0 - 450'	Pipe Yard - Houston
13-3/8"	68.0	S-80	BT&C	0 - 3300'	Pipe Yard - Houston(HCK-55 Lone Star)
8-5/8"	32.0	K-55	ST&C	0 - 4500′	Pipe Yard - Houston
8-5/8"	32.0	K-55	ST&C	4500-5200'	Pipe Yard - Houston
5-1/2"	17.0	N-80	LT&C	0 - 10000'	Pipe Yard - Houston
5-1/2"	17.0	S-95	LT&C	10000-14016′	Pipe Yard - Houston

Call Houston Purchasing to have pipe delivered, 1-800-733-9697, Andrew Lauden @ ext. 5415 or Connie Redwine @ ext. 5414.

Wellhead Equipment:

Casinghead: 8-5/8" SOW x 11" 5000 psi w/ new 5-1/2" casing slips Spool: N/A Tubinghead: 11" 5000 psi x 7-1/16" 5000 psi w/ extended neck tbg hanger and 5000 psi. tree. Location prior to spud: ERC Industries, Inc. 915-550-0661

13-3/8" & 20" rental casingheads rented at no charge.

Cementing Program:	Western Co.	Telephone: 505-392-5556
	Include weight, yield, water requirements volume, float equipment required, and call strings.	s, cement type, additives, total slurry cement company for all slurries on
Surface Casing:	<u>20"</u> Circulate to surface.	
	Cement with 550 sx Pacesetter Lite Cl " at 12.39 ppg, 2.00 ft ³ /sk yield, and 10.96 "C" + 2% CaCl ₂ mixed at 14.82 ppg, 1 Install stab-in float collar on bottom for a lock bottom 2 joints. Fill casing with B centralizers.	C" + 6% Gel + 2% CaCl ₂ mixed GPS H ₂ O.Tail-in with 200 sx Class .34 ft ³ /sk yield, and 6.32 GPS H ₂ O an inner string cement job. Thread trine water for cement job. Run 4
1st Intermediate Casing:	<u>13-3/8""</u> Run sufficient cement to circulate.	
	Lead Slurry - approximately 2400 sx Pa salt + $1/4$ pps cello-flake. Mixed at 12.6 H ₂ O.	cesetter"C" Lite (35:65:6) + 9 pps 97 ppg, 2.03 ft ³ /sk yield, 10.96 GPS
	Tail Slurry - 250 sx Class "C" + 2% CaC yield, 6.32 GPS H_2O .	l ₂ . Mixed at 14.82 ppg, 1.34 ft ³ /sk
	The actual volume to be adjusted based Run a guide shoe on bottom and float co lock bottom 2 joints, Run 15 centralizer	on a fluid caliper + 30% excess. ollar one joint above shoe. Thread rs.
2nd Intermediate Casing:	<u>8-5/8"</u> Run sufficient cement to tie back at leas	st 200' inside the 13-3/8".
	<u>Lead Slurry</u> - approximately 600 sx Pac gilsonite + $1/4$ pps cello-flakes. Mixed a GPS H ₂ O.	esetter "C" Lite (35:65:6) + 6 pps t 12.22 ppg, 2.08 ft ³ /sk yield, 10.96
	Tail Slurry - 400 sx Class "C" + 2% CaC yield, 6.32 GPS H_2O .	Cl ₂ . Mixed at 14.82 ppg, 1.34 ft ³ /sk
	The actual volume to be adjusted based if it possible to run a fluid caliper, other Run a guide shoe on bottom and float co lock bottom 2 joints. Run 18 centralized	d on a fluid caliper + 30% excess, rwise estimate volumes. ollar two joints above shoe. Thread rs.
Production Casing:	<u>5-1/2"</u> TOC @ <u>+</u> 5000' with a stage collar @ <u>-</u>	<u>+</u> 10000′.
	<u>1st Stage:</u>	
	<u>Pre-flush</u> - 500 gal Surebond.	
	<u>Slurry</u> - estimated 650 sx Class "H" + (15.69 ppg, 1.19 ft ³ /sk yield, 5.19 GPS I	0.8% CF-14A + 5 % salt mixed at H_2O .

2nd_Stage:

Pre-flush - 500 gal Surebond.

<u>Slurry</u> - estimated 650 sx Cl "H" + 8.0 pps CSE + 0.6% CF-14A + 3.0% salt + 1% Thrifty Lite mixed at 13.61 ppg, 1.79 ft³/sk yield, 9.14 GPS H_2O .

The above to be calculated based on open hole caliper + 20% excess (all slurries must be lab tested prior to pumping). Circulate 6 hrs between stages. Sand blast casing over pay zones. Run a float shoe and float collar two joints above the shoe. Run centralizers on every other joint over potential pay zones. Include depth orientation markers or short joints above potential pay zones.

Mud Program:

Company	West Texas Drilling Fluids.	Telephone:915-682-8382
_Interval	Туре	
0 - 450'	Spud Mud	
450' - 3,300'	Brine - using lime for pH and pape	er f/sweeps.
3,300' - 5,200'	Fresh water - using lime for pH an	nd paper & Magma Fiber f/sweeps.
5,200' - 10,000'	Fresh water - using lime for pH ar	nd paper & Magma Fiber f/ sweeps.
10,000′ - 12,000′	Cut Brine/Drispac - using caustic s WL to 15cc for the directional wo	soda for a pH of 9.0-9.5 and control the rk.
12,000′- TD	Mud up with XCD/Drispac/MF-55 and a MW of 9.0-9.3 ppg dependir Soda for a pH of 9.0-9.5	for a viscosity of 36-38, WL of 10-12cc, ng on pressures encountered. Use caustic

Mud Logging Program:

Company	Morco	Tel	lephone:	505-887-1483

Have mudloggers rigged up and logging at ____4700', prior to drilling to the 8-5/8" casing point.

Electric Logging Program:

Company	Schlumberger	Telephone: 505-393-4107
Interval		Log
5200' - TD 5200' - TD 5200' - TD 5200' - TD		CNL/LDT/GR/CAL (GR to surface in casing) DLL/MSFL/GR BHC SONIC Rotary Sidewall Cores (25 to be selected from logs)

Coring Program:

None Planned

Drill Stem Test Program:

Company	Schlumberger	Telephone:	505-392-4109
<u>Interval</u> 9,400 - 9,50 13,300 - 13,40	0'	<u>Remarks</u> Bone Spring Morrow	

