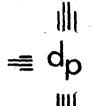
CASE 5792: DUGAN PROD. CORP. FOR COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NO.

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APPlication, Transcripts, Small Exhibits,

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September 30, 1976

Joe D. Ramey Secretary-Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Santa Fe, NM 87501

Re: Application for Approval for Downhole Commingling of the McAdams #3 Well (Gallup and Dakota) in San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed are the following items regarding the application for downhole commingling of the McAdams #3 Well located in the NE/4 of Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

- 1. Two copies of the Application for Approval for Downhole Commingling of the McAdams #3 Well (Gallup and Dakota).
- 2. Two copies of the Certificate of Mailing stating that all operators of leases offsetting the dedicated acreage for this well, the USGS, and the Supervisor of the District III Office of the Oil Conservation Commission have been notified of this Application.

Please set this Application for hearing on October 27, 1976, if possible.

Richard T. C. Tully General Counsel

Enclosures

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Richard J. C. July

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 5792 Order No. R-5313

APPLICATION OF DUGAN PRODUCTION CORPORATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 27, 1976, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NCM, on this 4th day of November, 1976, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is the owner and operator of the McAdams Well No. 3, located in Unit H of Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle Angels Peak-Gallup and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of the above-described well.
- (4) That from the Angels Peak-Gallup zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (5) That from the Basin-Dakota zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only.
- (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

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- (7) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed commingling provided that the well is not shut-in for an extended period.
- (8) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate remedial action, the operator should notify the Aztec district office of the Commission any time the subject well is shut-in for 7 consecutive days.
- (9) That ir order to allocate the commingled production to each of the commingled zones in the subject well, 80 percent of the commingled oil production should be allocated to the Angels Peak-Gallup zone and 20 percent to the Basin-Dakota zone, and 20 percent of the commingled gas production to Angels Peak-Gallup zone and 80 percent to the Basin-Dakota zone.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the applicant, Dugan Production Corporation, is hereby authorized to commingle Angels Peak-Gallup and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of the McAdams Well No. 3, located in Unit H of Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (2) That 80 percent of the commingled oil production shall be allocated to the Angels Peak-Gallup zone and 20 percent to the Basin-Dakota zone, and 20 percent of the commingled gas production shall be allocated to the Angels Peak-Gallup zone and 80 percent to the Basin-Dakota zone.
- (3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately notify the Commission's Aztec district office any time the well has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.
- (4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



PHIL R. LUCERO, Chairman

EMERY CARNOLD, Member

JOE D. RAMEY, Member & Secretary

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO P. O. BOX 2088 - SANTA FE 87501

DIRECTOR
JOE D. RAMEY

LAND COMMISSIONER
PHIL R. LUCERO
November 5, 1976



STATE GEOLOGIST EMERY C. ARNOLD

Mr. Richard T. C. Tully General Counsel Dugan Production Corp.	CASE NO. 5792 ORDER NO. R-5313	
P. O. Box 234 Farmington, New Mexico 87401	Applicant:	
Dear Sir:	Dugan Production	Corp.

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Commission order recently entered in the subject case.

Fours very truly,

JOE D. RAMEY

Director

JDR/fd

Copy of order also sent to:

Hobbs OCC x
Artesia OCC x
Aztec OCC x

Other_

Docket No. 29-76

CASE 5776: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Continental Oil Company for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its James Ranch Unit Well No. 8 to be drilled at a point 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, Los Medanos-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico, the N/2 of said Section 31 to be dedicated to the well.

- CASE 5794: Application of Continental Oil Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the W/2 of Section 31, Township 22 South, Range 31 East, Los Medanos Field, Eddy County, New Mexico, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location in Unit L of said Section 31. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 5795: Application of Continental Oil Company for an exception to the provisions of Order No. R-1670, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 21(A) of the General Rules and Regulations for the provated gas pools of Northwestern New Mexico contained in Order No. R-1670, to permit the reporting of Basin Dakota production from wells on its Northeast Haynes Lease in Township 24 North, Range 5 West, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, without the necessity of separately measuring the production from each well.

CASE 5777: (Continued & Readvertised)

Application of Gifford & Mitchell and M. B. Wisenbaker for pool creation, pool rules, and a non-standard gas spacing unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new gas pool for Pennsylvanian production for its Horse Back Well No. 1 located 1000 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line of Section 33, Township 26 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, the promulgation of pool rules therefor, including a provision for 640-acre spacing and approval for a 589.52-acre non-standard gas spacing unit comprising all of partial Sections 33 and 34 of the aforesaid township.

Docket No. 30-76

Dockets Nos. 31-76 and 32-76 are tentatively set for hearing on November 10 and November 23, 1976. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 4, 1976

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit

John W. Adams, Executor of Estates of R. W. and June Adams; and Ruth McCahey, Fred McGahey and
David McGahey doe Adams & McGahey, American Employers' Insurance Company, and all other interested
parties to appear and show cause why the following wells located in Township 21 North, Range 30
East, Harding County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and arandoned in accordance with a
Commission-approved plugging program:

Gonzales Well No. 2, located in Unit P of Section 9; Adams & McGahey Well No. 1, located in Unit B of Section 16; and Gonzales "A" Well No. 1, located in Unit H of Section 32.

Upon application of John W. Adams, this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220.

Dockets Nos. 31-76 and 32-76 are tentatively set for hearing on November 10 and November 23, 1976. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 27, 1976

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 5768: (Continued from September 29, 1976, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Commission on its own motion to permit Service Drilling Company, The Travelers Indemnity Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Conzeles-Pittman Well No. 1, located in Unit M of Section 24, Township 21 North, Hange 21 Fast, Mora County, New Mexico, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Commission-approved plugging program.

CASE 5785: (Continued from October 13, 1976, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Doyle Hartman for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Seven Rivers-Queen formation underlying the NE/4 NE/4, NW/4 NE/4, SW/4 NE/4, and SF/4 NE/4 of Section 19, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Langlie-Mattix Pool, Lea County, New Mexico, to form four 40-acre proration units to be dedicated to four oil wells to be drilled at standard locations on said tracts. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the cost thereof, as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in drilling said wells.

CASE 5574: (Reopened) (Continued from October 13, 1976, Examiner Hearing)

In the matter of Case 5574 being reopened pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-5118 which order established a temporary special depth bracket allowable of 750 barrels of oil per day for the Eagle Mesa-Entrada Oil Pool, Sandoval County, New Mexico. All interested parties may appear and show cause why said special depth bracket allowable should not be rescinded.

Application of Amoco Production Company for salt water disposal well, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Fusselman formation through the perforated interval from 8313 feet to 8538 feet in its Swearingen "C" Well No. 2 located in Unit M of Section 18, Township 5 South, Range 33 East, Petersen-Fusselman Pool, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

CASE 5790: Application of Come Petroleum Corporation for pool creation and assignment of a discovery allowable, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above styled cause, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Entrada production and the assignment of approximately 58,770 barrels of oil discovery allowable to the discovery well, being the Pederal 21 Well No. 1 located in Unit K of Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 5 West, McKinley County, New Mexico.

CASE 5/91: Application of Texaco Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit and simultaneous dedication, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for a 320-acre non-standard Eumont gas proration unit comprising the E/2 SE/4, SW/4 SE/4, and SE/4 SW/4 of Section 23; the W/2 NW/4 of Section 25; and the E/2 NE/4 of Section 26, all in Township 19 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico, to be simultaneously dedicated to applicant's William Weir Wells Nos. 1 and 2 at unorthodox locations in Unit E of said Section 25 and Unit N of said Section 23, respectively.

CASE 5792: Application of Dugan Production Corporation for downhole commingling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Angels Peak-Gallup and Basin-Dakota production in the wellbore of its McAdams Well No. 3 located in Unit H of Section 34, Township 27 North, Rarge 10 West, San Juan County, New Mexico.

CASE 5793: Application of Dugan Production Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Sherman Edward Well No. 2A, to be drilled at a point 2500 feet-from the North line and 510 feet from the West line of Section 3, Township 29 North, Range 5 West, Blanco Mesaverde Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, the N/2 of said Section 3 to be dedicated to the well.

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	BEFORE THE	
NEW	MEXICO OIL CONSERVAT	ION COMMISSION
	Santa Fe, New M	exico
	October 27, 1	976

EXAMINER HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of Dugan Production Corpora-)
tion for downhole commingling, San Juan)
County, New Mexico.

CASE 5792

BEFORE: Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

APPEARANCES

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1	MR. NUTTER: We will call the next Case Number
2	5792.
3	MS. TESCHENDORF: Case 5792, application of Dugan
4.	Production Corporation for downhole commingling, San Juan
5	County, New Mexico.
6 7	MR. TULLY: May it please the Commission, I'm Richard Tully, general counsel for Dugan Production Corporatio
8	I have one witness to call in Case Number 5792, Thomas A.
9	Dugan.
10	(THEREUPON, the witness was duly sworn.)
11	MR. TULLY: Prior to getting started I will go
12	ahead and give you our exhibits.
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14	THOMAS A. DUGAN
15	called as a witness, having been first duly sworn, was
16	examined and testified as follows:
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18	DIRECT EXAMINATION
19	BY MR. TULLY:
20	Q. Please state your name for the record?
21	A. Thomas A. Dugan.
22	Q. And your address, Mr. Dugan?
23	A. 907 Hallett Circle, Farmington, New Mexico.
24	Q And what is your occupation, Mr. Dugan?

I'm a petroleum engineer and President of Dugan

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Production Corporation. Have you previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission? Yes, I have. MR. TULLY: Are the witness' qualifications a matter of record and acceptable? MR. NUTTER: Yes, they are. (Mr. Tully continuing.) Mr. Dugan, I'll hand you 8 a copy of the application in this case. Are you familiar with this application? ិ11 Yes. What is the purpose of this application? 12 The McAdams 3 Well, which is a dually completed well 14 in the Basin-Dakota Pool and the Angel Peak-Gallup Pool, has ceased to produce on the Gallup side. The reason that it has

Q. Is Dugan Production Corporation the operator of this well?

gas volume is not sufficient to lift the produced fluids.

ceased to produce is that the bottom-hole pressure and the

A. Yes.

Q Please identify Exhibit One?

22 A. Exhibit One is just a map showing the location of 23 the well, the other wells around it and the proration unit's 24 eighty acres dedicated to the Gallup zone and the one hundred 25 and sixty acres dedicated to the Dakota zone.

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Are there other wells that are dually completed in the same two zones in this area?

Yes, there are quite a few dually completed wells in the Dakota and Gallup formations in the general area.

Referring now to Exhibit Number Two would you identify it, please?

Exhibit Number Two is the 1975 production from the Angel Peak-Gallup wells in the vicinity of the McAdams 3 Well. What we intended to show by this exhibit is that there are several wells that have ceased to produce from the Gallup zone in the area. The production is down considerably for most of the wells, not all of the wells, and that the pool is being rapidly depleted and is in its late stage of production.

The information contained on this exhibit, is it from the annual report of the New Mexico Oil and Gas Engineering Committee?

Yes, it is, for 1975.

Referring now to Exhibit Number Three, would you identify it, please?

Exhibit Three is essentially the same except that shows only July of 1976 production from the same wells. Here again we wish to show that there are several wells in the vicinity of the McAdams 3 Well that have ceased to produce and that the overall production from most of the wells is relatively low.

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Q Was the informat	ion on this exhibit taken out of
the monthly statistical re	port of the New Mexico Oil and Gas
Engineering Committee?	
A. Yes, it was.	
Q. Referring now to	Exhibit Number Four, would you
identify it, please?	
A Exhibit Four is	a decline curve on the Gallup zone
of the McAdams 3 Well and	it shows the decline and the fact
that the well had ceased	to produce the early part of this
year, mainly because we w	were unable to lift the produced fluids
from the well.	is
Q The source of	the information contained on this is
from your corporate reco	rds and files, is that correct?
A. Yes.	
Neferring now	to Exhibit Number Five, would you
6 identify it please?	
a It is a declir	ne curve on the Dakota side of the
McAdams 3 Well, showing	the gas and oil production and showing
that this well is, or the	he Dakota side is a relatively small
well that produces in t	he neighborhood of two thousand MCF pe
month with half a barre	l of oil per day, approximately.
. Swain was the	source of the information contained
	orate records and files?
A. Yes.	

On both Exhibits Four and Five, do you feel that

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these exhibits show that both of these zones are capable of low marginal production?

- They should be capable of producing some time in a marginal situation if we can figure out a way to economically 5 lift the produced fluids and make the Gallup zone produce.
 - ring now to Exhibit Number Six, would you ease?
 - s just a Xerox copy of the 1975 annual neering annual report showing the monthly the Dakota side and also the Gallup side of We have those underlined in yellow and t a matter of information is the only reason that we submitted this.
 - This information is also contained on Exhibit Two, I believe?
 - Same thing, yes.
 - Q. Referring now to Exhibit Number Seven, would you identify it, please?
 - It's just a resume of how the well was completed in 1958 through '60 and it's just the background of the well, the completion of the well.
 - Is there anything of significance on that that you wish to point out to the Commission?
 - Well, that the Gallup zone of this well was a very good well to start with, a very outstanding well and the

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Dakota has always been a relatively low producer and there was a lot of time and effort put in in completing the well.

- Q. The source of the information for this exhibit is from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission files as well as from your corporate records and files?
- A. Yes, mainly from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission because I wasn't working with the well on the original completion.
- Q Referring now to Exhibit Number Eight, would you identify it, please?
- A. It's just a diagrammatic sketch of the wellbore, showing the locations of the perforations and the packer, where the tubing is set.
- Q. Are there any amendments or alterations you wish to point out on this particular sketch to the Commission?
- A. Well, one of the problems that we have with this particular well is that when the well was originally completed they ran a combination tubing string in the Gallup with fourteen hundred feet of inch-and-a-half tubing below forty-eight hundred feet of two-and-three-eighths tubing which they probably had very good reasons for doing that at the time but we can't swab the well below forty-eight hundred feet and the fluid level at this point is below that so we really have no way of lifting the fluids out of the wellbore by swabbing, other than that it's a relatively -- well it's not --

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the sketch is a little bit erroneous in that the four-and-a-half
and the five-and-a-half casing were liners rather than full
strings, and that, of course, is one of the reasons they ran
that small tubing below the two-inch tubing. I guess they
wanted the larger string to accommodate the large flows that
the Gallup zones would make and the inch-and-a-half was as big
as they could get in the five-and-a-half liner.

- The order authorizing the dual completion for this particular well, was that Number DC-655 dated August 11th, 1958?
 - A. That's what the records show.
 - MR. NUTTER: What was that number again?
 - MR. TULLY: DC-655, dated August 11th, 1958.
 - MR. NUTTER: Thank you.
- Q (Mr. Tully continuing.) Referring now to Exhibit
 Number Nine, would you identify that, please?
- A. This is just a written description of what we wish to do and what we wish to accomplish by commingling the zone, the two zones in the wellbore and our main premise is that the well is in a marginal state of production and we have no good way of lifting the produced fluids and the cheapest way and most economical way that we believe that we can lift the produced fluids from the Gallup zone is by perforating the Dakota string and allowing the energy of the Dakota gas to lift the Gallup produced fluids.

And we have also set out in here how we would propose

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1 to allocate the production from both zones. All we did was take the 1974 production from both zones and came up with a 3 percentage figure and the reason we took 1974 was we felt that was the last full year of relatively normal production from the well.

So we would recommend that eighty-one, point, two, 7 one percent of the oil production should be allocated to the 8 Gallup formation and eighteen point, seven, nine percent to g the Dakota zone and we would recommend that thirty-one 10 point, four, eight percent of the gas production be allocated 11 to the Gallup zone and sixty-eight point, five, two percent of 12 the gas production to the Dakota zone.

We have also pointed out in here that the only other 13 14 alternative to lifting the produced fluids from the Gallup 15 zone, the only practical approach or other approach, would be 16 equip the Gallup zone to pump and this would be very expensive because the Gallup is sixty-two hundred, we would be only handling in the neighborhood of a barrel or barrel and a half of oil per day and I don't think it would be economical because pumping a well that deep for that small amount of oil is not too practical.

- Do you have any monetary figures that you think it 22 would take to pump this well?
 - I would estimate that it would cost approximately fifty thousand dollars to equip the Gallup zone to pump and it

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doesn't seem like a practical approach to me at this particular time.

- Referring back to Exhibit Number Eight, now, would you use it and explain to the Commission how you propose to commingle this well?
- Well, the only thing I would propose to do would be to go in and perforate the Dakota tubing string at approximately sixty-two, eighty so that we could commingle the Gallup production and the Dakota production. It would probably be 10 | necessary to swab the well through the Dakota inch-and-a-half 11 tubing to get it to flowing and that would be all that we would 12 have to do. And we believe that the Dakota, the energy from 13 the Dakota gas would then lift the barrel or barrel and a half a day of Gallup oil and allow both zones to continue to produce for sometime.

This would cost in the neighborhood of fifteen hundred dollars, so it would be a minor expense as compared to trying to lift the Gallup produced fluid by pumping.

- Because of the age of this well, as well as its production history, do you feel that this is the most reasonable approach under the circumstances?
- Yes, of course, it is the most economical approach 22 and which with the depleted status of the well would surely be the most reasonable approach. 24
 - Just some general questions now. Is the ownership

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of these two zones,	the Angel Peak	-Gallup and th	he Basin-Dakota
common?			en e
A. Yes.			
Q In your op	inion will the	total value	of the producti
in this well be incr	eased or reduc	ed by comming	ling?
A. It should	be increased c	onsiderably.	
Q This is a	result of prod	ucing the liqu	uids better by
lifting?			
A. Lifting th	e produced liq	uids from the	Gallup zone
and allowing some ad	ditional gas to	be produced	from the
Gallup zone.			
			this applicatio
conserve natural res	ources of the	State of New 1	Mexico?
A. Yes, in th	at it will all	ow us to produ	uce additional
hydrocarbons.			
Q. Will it pr	event waste the	en?	entralia de la Carrio de la Car
A. Yes.			
Q And you do	not feel it we	ould impair of	r interfere wit
the correlative righ	ts of any othe	r owners in th	his area?
A. I would ho	pe not, seeing	as how we do	n't anticipate
getting all that muc	h production f	rom the well.	As I have
stated before, it is	a well pretty	well depleted	d.
MR. TULLY:	At this time	I move for the	he introduction

of Exhibits One through Nine into evidence.

MR. NUTTER: Dugan's Exhibits One through Nine will

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be admitted into evidence.

(THEREUPON, Dugan's Exhibits One through Nine were admitted into evidence.) MR. TULLY: I have nothing further.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. NUTTER:

- Mr. Dugan, Exhibit Number Two and Exhibit Number Six indicate that the well produced approximately five hundred and twenty-seven barrels of oil during the year 1975. Exhibit Number Three shows no production for the well in July of 1975, when did the well cease producing from the Gallup formation?
- It started declining along about in July of '75 but we got some production out of it through, I believe, April of 176.
 - Has the well ever been pumped in the Gallup? Q.
 - No, sir. A.
 - What was the gas-oil ratio on the well during its last few months of production there?
 - From the Gallup side? A.
 - Yes.
- It's approximately thirty thousand to one. classified as an oil well in the Angel Peak Pool. 22 23
 - But it has a high ratio so subsequently it has been able to lift those fluids for most of its life then?

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- Q Well, now, from Exhibit Number -- well, no, it's not from Exhibit Number Eight -- but your testimony was that the Dakota tubing string is one-and-a-half inch all of the way, is that right?
 - A. Yes, sir, that's right.
- Q So if the tubing strings had been reversed and it was one-and-a-half inch for the Gallup the thing still might be flowing from the Gallup?
- A. It might, it sure might. And also we could have swabbed it where with the setup now we can't.
 - Q With that tapered tubing there is no way?
 - A. No, you can't.
 - Q. Who drilled and completed this well?

 MR. TULLY: I believe it was A. N. Brown.
- A. A. N. Brown, was he the operator? It's had several changes.
- Q (Mr. Nutter continuing.) I see. Now, this allocation that you have got proposed here for oil to the Gallup and the Dakota and gas to the Gallup and Dakota, that's based on 1974 production. Is that going to be fairly representative of future production from the two zones if they're commingled?

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- A. I felt that it would because I felt that 1974 was the last year, full year, that the well was performing in the manner in which it should perform if it were adequately lifting the produced fluids from both zones.
- Q Actually the Dakota formation, according to Exhibit Number Five, is a relatively flat decline curve?
 - A. Yes.
- And it's making more gas than the Gallup was by quite a bit and according to the decline curves would continue to make substantially more gas but we are only going to allocate sixty-eight percent of the total gas production to the Dakota, don't you think that --
 - A. Now, let's see. Yeah, okay, I guess that's --
- Q Don't you think these decline curves indicate that future production, while it may be a current basis, that future production might be greater from the Dakota as far as gas production is concerned than than sixty-eight percent?
- A. Well, I'm sure you're right, yeah. Of course you hav
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 - Q. That is just based on current production in 1974?
 - A. 1974 total production is all we did.
- MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of Mr. Dugan? He may be excused.

(THEREUPON, the witness was excused.)

MR. NUTTER: Do you have anything further, Mr. Tully?

MR. TULLY: No, sir.

MR. NUTTER: Does anyone have anything they wish to offer in Case Number 5792?

We will take the case under advisement.

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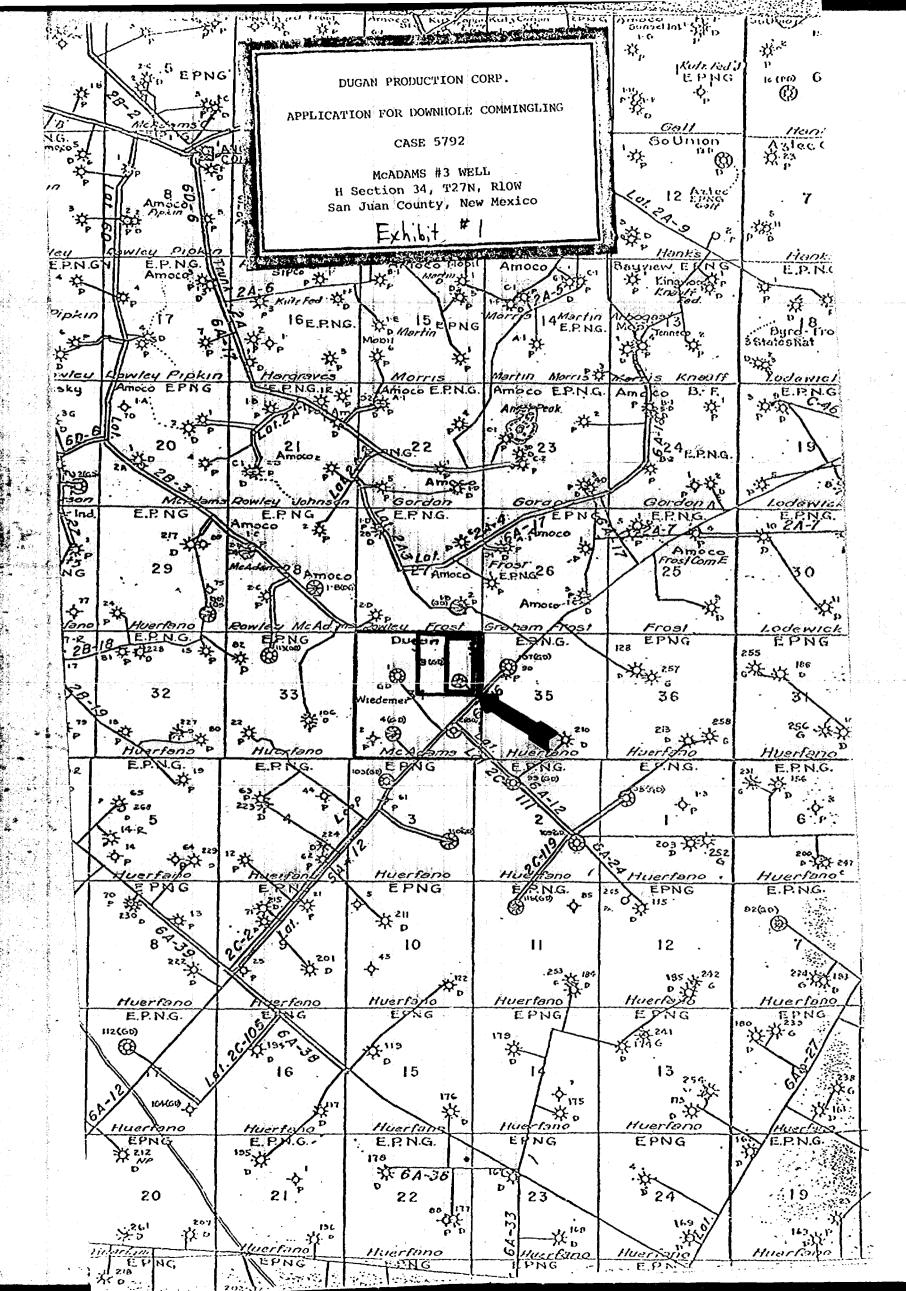
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Section 34: E/2 NE/4

Oil Production (1975 - Barrels)

Gas Production (1975 - MCF)

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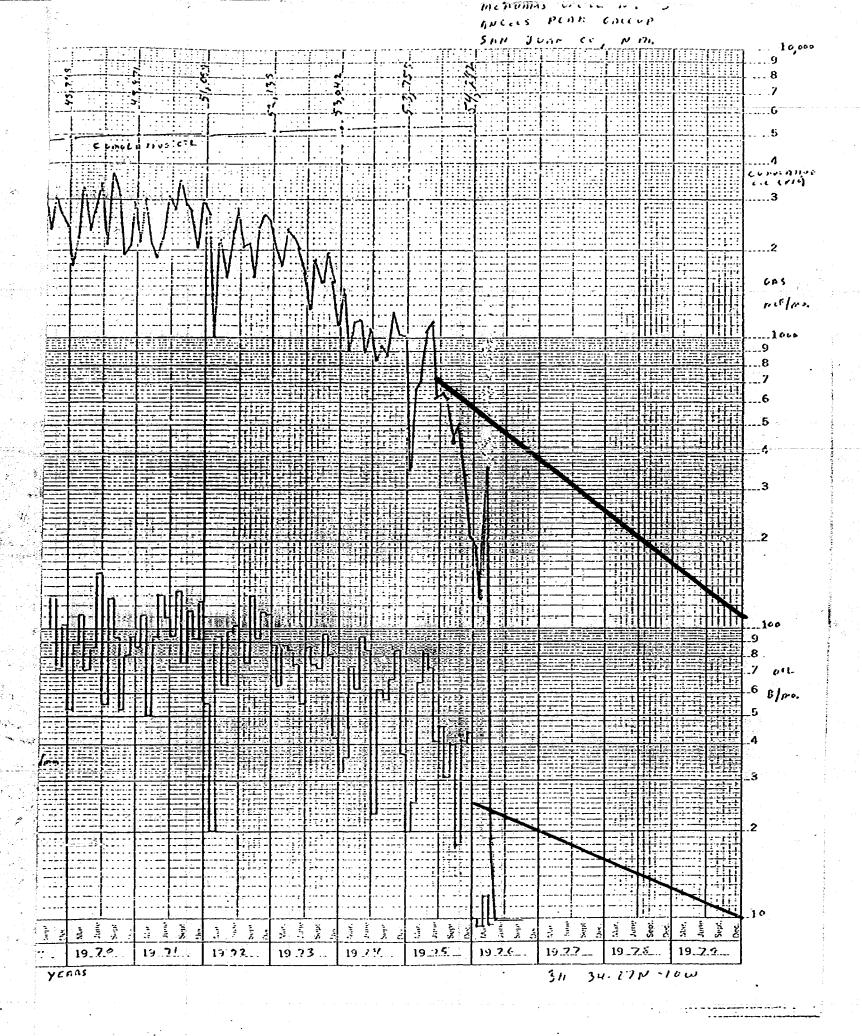
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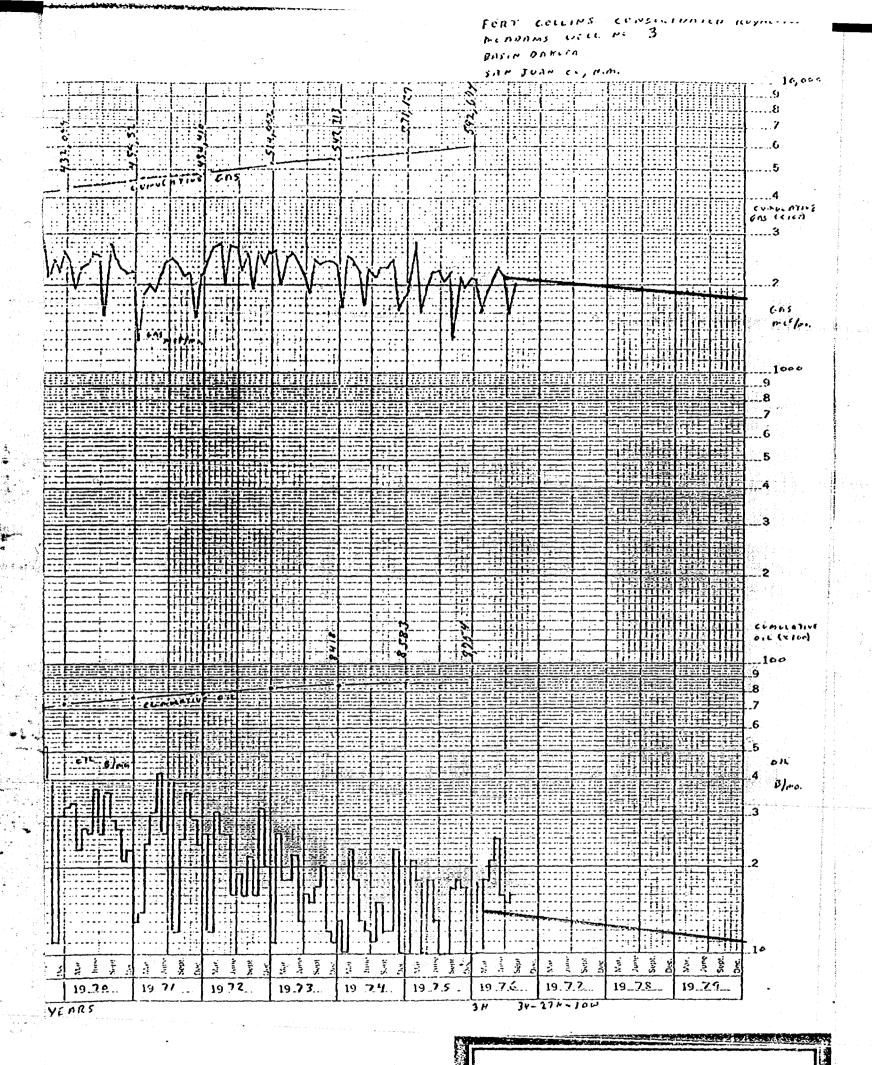
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RESUME OF MCADAMS #3 WELL COMPLETION HISTORY

April, 1958

Spud well on April 25, 1958. Set 10-3/4" surface pipe @ 207' with 200 sx. Set 7-5/8" casing @ 5080' with 200 sx. Set 5-1/2" liner from 4886' to 6355'. 4" flush joint set @ 7080' with 50 sx. TD 7080'. Completed May 23, 1958.

July, 1958

Perforated Dakota from 6934' to 6974' and from 6992' to 7002' with 2 shots/foot. Sand oil fraced with 450 bbls oil and 17,000# sand. Perforated Gallup from 6250' to 6272' with 6 shots/foot. Pumped in 300 bbls oil. Set Model D Baker packer at 6316'. Ran 1-1/2" upset tubing thru packer to 6873'. Ran 2-1/16" tubing to 6150'. Well tested 5800 MCF from Gallup on Pitot tube while gas drilling. Dakota made 900 MCF natural.

December, 1959

Pulled Dakota and Gallup tubing strings. Set Baker "DR" plug in Baker Model "D" production packer @ 6314' KB. Old Gallup perfs 6258-6267'; perforated 6267' to 6280' KB with 3 jets/foot. Washed old and new perfs with 250 gallons of 7-1/2% MCA. Set Baker Mod EGJ retrievable prod. packer on tubing @ 6225' KB. Swabbed well in and tested. Tested 200 BOPD with a GOR of 2400 to 1. Put well back on production. Dakota zone will be T.A. for a short time.

October, 1960

Dakota zone was T.A. in December, 1959 by setting D.R. Plug in Model "D" Baker packer. D.R. Plug was retrieved and Dakota was returned to production. Tubing strings were run as follows:

Dakota zone: Ran 1-1/2" tubing, 2.7# J-55 EUE to 6823'. Tubing set through Baker Model "D" prod. packer @ 6324' K.B.

Gallup zone: Ran combination tubing string; 4867' of 2-3/8" EUE J-55 tubing on top and 1402' of 1-1/2" reg. J-55 tubing on bottom. Landed @ 6281'. Tubing open ended.

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McADAMS #3 WELL H Section 34, T27N, R10W San Juan County, New Mexico

Exhibit #7

McAdams #3 Well

Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMPM Section 34: 1650' FNL - 990' FEL San Juan County, New Mexico

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Ran combination Gallup tubing string; 4867' of 2-3/8" EUE J-55 tubing on top and 1402' of 1-1/2" tubing on bottom.

Gallup tubing landed @ 6281'. Tubing openended.

Perforated Dakota from 6934' to 6974' and from 6992' to 7002' with 2 shots per foot. Sand oil fraced with 450 bbls oil and 17,000# sand.

Set 10-3/4" surface pipe @ 207' with 200 sx

Set 7-5/8" casing @ 5080' with 200 sx

Top of Gallup 6250' Perforated Gallup from 6258' to 6267' with 6 shots per foot; perforated 6267' to 6280' with 3 shots per foot. Washed perfs with 250 gallons of 7-1/2% MCA.

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Baker Model "D" Packer set @ 6324'.

Set 5-1/2" casing @ 6355' with 100 sx.

Dakota tubing set through Baker Model "D" Packer and landed @ 6823'. Tubing was i-1/2" 2./# J-55 EUE.

would Top of Dakota formation 6934'.

Set 4-1/2" casing @ 7080'
with 50 sx.

TD 7080'

Approx

TO 7080'

PROGNOSIS OF FUTURE PRODUCTION FROM THE MCADAMS #3 WELL

The Angels Peak Gallup Pool and the Basin Dakota Pool have been steadily depleted for years by the McAdams #3 Well and many other wells. As you can see from the plat showing the location of other Gallup wells in the vicinity of this well, the gas and oil production from these wells has become very low. The Gallup zone of the McAdams #3 has ceased to produce because we do not have enough bottom-hole pressure and gas volume to lift the produced fluids.

We propose to commingle the Gallup production and the Dakota production in the wellbore of the McAdams #3 Well by the following method whose mechanics are feasible and in accord with good conservation practices:

Perforate the 1-1/2" Dakota tubing in the Gallup formation.

Continue producing the Dakota gas through the 1-1/2" tubing and lift the Gallup oil through the same tubing.

After perforating, swab the 1-1/2" tubing to get both zones flowing.

By using the above method, the gas from the Dakota formation will be used to lift the oil and other liquids from the Gallup zone. We feel the commingling of the gas and oil production by this method will allow the fluids to be lifted better, thereby more efficiently increasing the overall production from this well.

Since the McAdams #3 Well is capable of only marginal production from both pools, and the reservoir characteristics of the pools are such that underground waste and damage will not be caused by this method, commingling the Gallup and Dakota production in this manner will result in more efficient production from this well, and will thereby prevent waste.

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Exhibit #

An alternative method we could use to try to lift the produced fluids from this well would be to pump the Gallup zone. The large costs of pulling the tubing, running rods, and installing a pumping unit on the well would not be justified when balanced against the past production and the age of the McAdams #3 Well.

In order to allocate the commingled production to each of the zones in this well, we would recommend 81.21% of the oil production should be allocated to the Gallup zone and 18.79% to the Dakota zone. We would also recommend 31.48% of the gas production should be allocated to the Gallup zone and 68.52% to the Dakota zone. We have used the 1974 production figures to arrive at the above allocation.

If you will refer to the production decline curves for this well you will see we have plotted the anticipated oil and gas production from each of these zones through the end of 1979. By taking this anticipated production into consideration it is obvious these two zones are becoming depleted and a large amount of expenditures would not be economically justified.

Therefore, the method we have stated above is the most reasonable under these circumstances.

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20% Dk - chq to 20% 70% Dk - chq to 80%

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING: 5792 Order No. R- 53/3 APPLICATION OF DUGAN PRODUCTION CORPORATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. ORDER OF THE COMMISSION BY THE COMMISSION: This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on October 27 19 76, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter NOW, on this day of Movember, 1976, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises, FINDS: (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof. (2) That the applicant, Dugan Production Corp/ owner and operator of the McAdams Well No. 3 in Unit H of Section 34, Township 27 North West , NMPM, San Juan county, New Mexico. (3) That the applicant seeks authority to commingle Angels Peak-Gallup and Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore of the above-described well. (4) That from the Angels Peak-Gallup zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only. Basin-Dakota (5) That from the zone, the subject well is capable of low marginal production only. (6) That the proposed commingling may result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the subject pools, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

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(7) That the reservoir characteristics of each of the
subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused
by the proposed commingling provided that the well is not shut-in
for an extended period.
(8) That to afford the Commission the opportunity to assess
the potential for waste and to expeditiously order appropriate
remedial action, the operator should notify the Aztec district
office of the Commission any time the subject well is shut-in for
7 consecutive days.
(9) That in order to allocate the commingled production
to each of the commingled zones in the subject well, 80
percent of the commingled of production should be allocated to the Angels Peak-Gallup and 20 percent of the per
to the Angels Peak-Gallup Zone and 20 percent of the
commingled gas production to the Basin-Dakota
zone.
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: Corporation,
(1) That the applicant, Dugan Production / , is
hereby authorized to commingle Angels Peak-Gallup and
Basin-Dakota production within the wellbore
of the McAdams Well No. 3 , located in Unit H
of Section 34, Township 27 North, Range 10
West , NMPM, San Juan county, New Mexico.
(2) That 80 percent of the commingled oil
production shall be allocated to the Angels Peak-Gallup
zone and percent of the commingled Anacis Peak Sallup Zone and Roperces
gas production shall be allocated to the Basin-Dakota
zone.
(3) That the operator of the subject well shall immediately
notify the Commission's AZTEC district office any time the well
has been shut-in for 7 consecutive days and shall concurrently
present, to the Commission, a plan for remedial action.

(4) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

In The Matter Of The Application Of Dugan Production Corp. For Downhole Commingling Of The McAdams #3 Well In San Juan County, New Mexico

APPLICATION

Commission Rules and Regulations, the Applicant, Dugan Production Corp., by and through its general counsel, Richard T. C. Tully, hereby makes application for approval of downhole commingling in the well bore of the McAdams #3 Well in San Juan County, New Mexico.

The Applicant further states:

- 1. The Operator of the McAdams #3 Well is the Applicant, Dugan Production Corp.
- 2. The McAdams #3 Well is located on federal lease SF 081087 insofar as it covers the following described lands:

Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMPM

Section 34: E/2 NE/4 (Gallup formation)

Section 34: NE/4 (Dakota formation)

San Juan County, New Mexico

3. The legal location of the well is as follows:

Township 27 North, Range 10 West, NMFM Section 34: 1650' FNL - 990' FEL San Juan County, New Mexico

- 4. The McAdams #3 Well is currently dually completed in the Angels
 Peak Gallup Pool and in the Basin Dakota Pool. The New Mexico Oil Conservation
 Commission Order No. DC 655 dated August 11, 1958 authorized the dual completion
 for this well.
- 5. The McAdams #3 Well is capable of only low marginal production from the Angels Peak Gallup Pool, and the well is also capable of only low marginal production from the Basin Dakota Pool.
 - 6. The ewnership of the two above mentioned pools is common.
- 7. The proposed commingling will result in the recovery of additional hydrocarbons from each of the mentioned pools. The recovery of additional hydrocarbons will thereby prevent waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, the Applicant requests this Application be set for hearing on October 27, 1976 for the purpose of securing the approval of the downhole commingling of the McAdams #3 Well in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard T. C. Tully General Counsel

Dugan Production Corp. Box 234

Farmington, NM 87401

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I mailed a copy of the Application for Downhole Commingling for the McAdams #3 Well in San Juan County, New Mexico to all operators of leases offsetting the dedicated acreage for this well, the U. S. Geological Survey, and the Supervisor of the District III Office of the Oil Conservation Commission.

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