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January 29, 1989

Mr. W. J. LeMay  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501-2088

Re: Angel Peak B #22E (SF 046017-A)  
1750' FNL & 1650' FWL  
Section 13, T28N-R11W  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Union Texas Petroleum is applying for a downhole commingling order for the referenced well in the Basin Dakota/Armenta Gallup fields. Ownership of the two zones to be commingled is common. The Bureau of Land Management and the offset operators indicted in the attached plats will receive notification of this proposed downhole commingling.

The subject well was drilled during December 1982 and completed during March 1983 in the Dakota and Gallup formations. The Dakota formation was fracture stimulated with 87,000# 20/40 sand in 135,417 gallons water and nitrogen. The Gallup formation was fracture stimulated with 303,500# 20/40 sand in 231,000 gallons nitrogen foam in three stages. CAOF of the Dakota zone (4/20/83) was 371 MCFD. Initial production test of the Gallup formation (5/3/83) was 145 MCFD and 10 BOPD. The Gallup zone is currently produced with a plunger lift system, and the Dakota is produced from below a packer. Two tubing strings are utilized. Most recent production from the Gallup formation is 18 MCFD and a trace of oil. The Dakota is not capable of sustained production due to high line pressure, but will produce 25 MCFD at lower line pressure.

This is a very marginal well which can no longer be produced economically. It is proposed to remove the Gallup tubing and Dakota packer and produce both zones using one tubing string only. The proposed commingling will result in recovery of additional hydrocarbons from both the Gallup and Dakota formation, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights. Commingling of the two zones will result in a more efficient operation by helping to lift the very small amount of produced liquids from each zone. The Dakota will now be produced into the low pressure Union Texas Petroleum operated gathering system, and the plunger lift system currently used to produce the Gallup zone will be eliminated.

The attached fluid analysis is from the Gallup and Dakota zones of the Angel Peak B #24E, an offset well in the same section approximately half mile to the southeast. The Gallup and Dakota zones were similarly commingled in this wellbore during October 1986, per Administrative Order No. DHC-602. Also, similarly commingled during May 1989, as per Administrative Order No. DHC-703, is the Congress Lachman #4E, one mile to the east of the subject well. The trace amounts of liquids produced in the subject well will be similar to these two offsets. The analysis indicates the total value of crude will not be reduced by the commingling. The reservoir characteristics of each zone are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed downhole commingling. The calculated static bottom hole pressure, based on surface pressure and fluid measurements, is 310 psi in the Gallup and 430 psi in the Dakota in the Congress Lachman #4E; 238 psi in the Gallup and 472 psi in the Dakota in the Angel Peak B #24E; within the limits of Rule 303-C, Section 1(b), Part (6). The small amount of liquids from each zone are compatible and no precipitates will be formed as a result of commingling to damage either reservoir. Current flow tests indicate the daily liquid production will not exceed the limit of Rule 303-C, Section 1(a), parts (1) and (3).

The Division Aztec District Office will be notified any time the commingled well is shut-in for seven consecutive days. To allocate the commingled production to each zone, historical production curves and current production volumes have been reviewed and submitted. See attached.

Included with this letter are two plats showing ownership of offsetting leases, a production curve of each zone, Form C-116 (GOR test), a Fluid Analysis Report, and a wellbore diagram showing the proposed downhole configuration after commingling.

Sincerely,

*S. G. Katirgis*

S. G. Katirgis  
Production Engineer

attachments



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January 30, 1989

Mr. Frank Chavez  
District Supervisor  
N. M. Oil Conservation Division  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Re: Proposed Commingling  
Angel Peak B #22E  
Section 13, T28N-R11W  
San Juan County, NM  
Basin Dakota and Armenta Gallup

Dear Frank,

A rig will be moved on this well and the two zone commingled as soon as approval is received. We recommend production allocation as follows:

Gas:	Gallup	42%
	Dakota	58%
Oil:	Gallup	50%
	Dakota	50%

This allocation is based on recent production of approximately 18 MCFD and a trace of oil from the Gallup, and an estimated 25 MCFD and a trace of oil from the Dakota when line pressure drops. Historical decline curves also suggest the same allocation percentages.

If there are any questions, please contact me.

Yours truly,

Stergie Katirgis  
Production Engineer

cc: W. K. Cooper  
S. J. Hunter  
B. A. Norman

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
GAS-OIL RATIO TESTS

C-116  
Revised 1-1-67

LEASE NAME	WELL NO.	LOCATION			DATE OF TEST	CHOKE SIZE	T.B.G. PRESS.	DAILY ALLOWABLE	LENGTH OF TEST HOURS	PROD. DURING TEST			GAS - OIL RATIO CU.FT./BBL
		U	S	T						R	WATER BBLs.	GRAV. OIL	
Angel Peak B (Gallup)	22E	F	13	28N	11W	2/22/89	76		24	0	T	22	N/A
Angel Peak B (Dakota)	22E	F	13	28N	11W	2/22/89	220		24	0	T	25	N/A

No well will be assigned an allowable greater than the amount of oil produced on the official test.  
 During gas-oil ratio test, each well shall be produced at a rate not exceeding the top unit allowable for the pool in which well is located by more than 25 percent. Operator is encouraged to take advantage of this 25 percent tolerance in order that well can be assigned increased allowables when authorized by the Commission.  
 Gas volumes must be reported in MCF measured at a pressure base of 15.025 psia and a temperature of 60° F. Specific gravity base will be 0.60.  
 Report casing pressure in lieu of tubing pressure for any well producing through casing.  
 Well original and one copy of this report to the district office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in accordance with Rule 301 and appropriate pool rules.

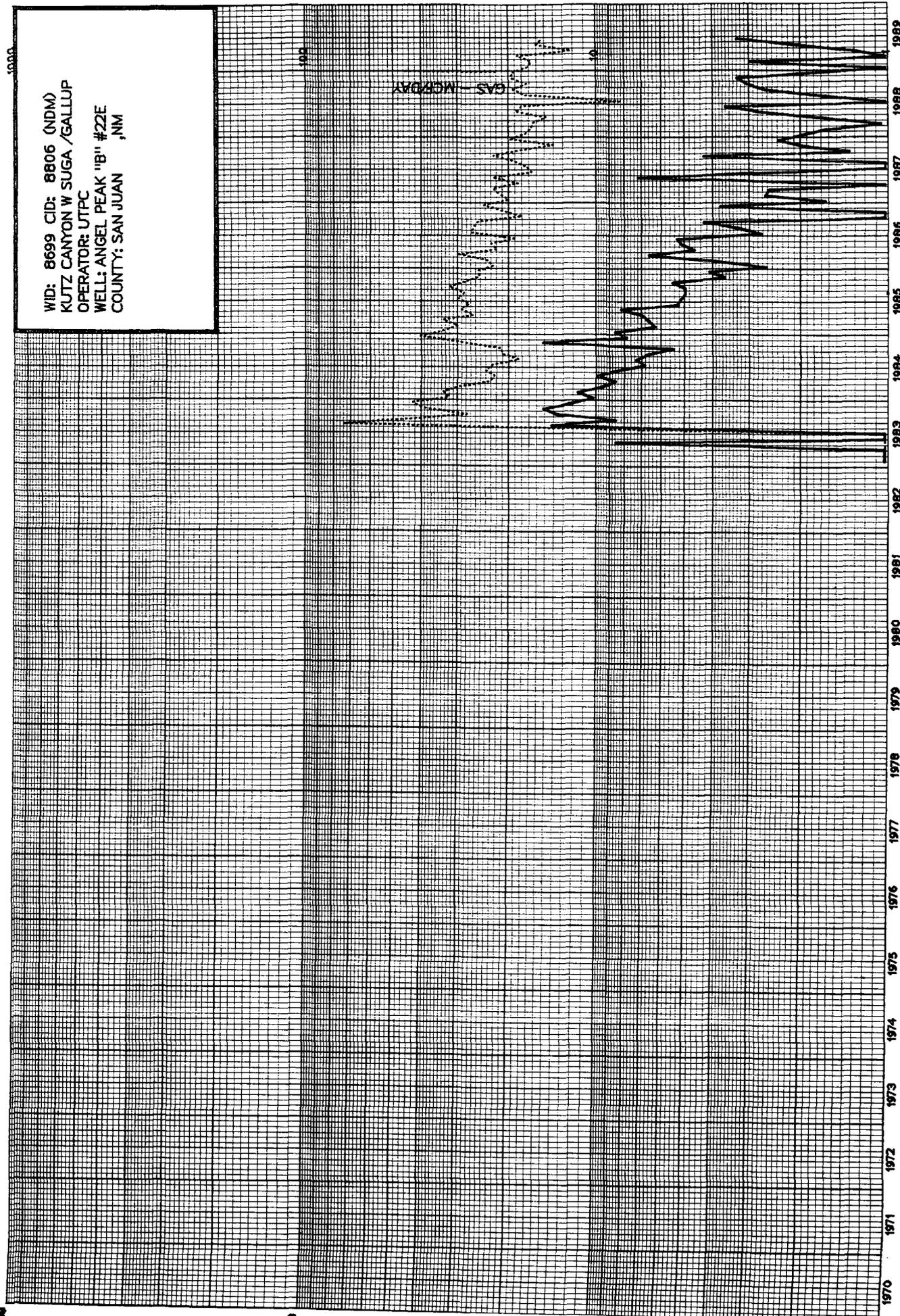
I hereby certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signature)  
 Production Engineer  
 (Title)

County: **San Juan**  
 Pool: **Armenta Gallup/Basin Dakota**  
 Address: **Union Texas Petroleum Corp. 375 US Highway 64 Farmington, NM 87401**

TYPE OF TEST - (X)  Scheduled  Special   
 Cong. Action

WID: 8699 CID: 8806 (NDM)  
KUTZ CANYON W SUGA /GALLUP  
OPERATOR: UTPC  
WELL: ANGEL PEAK "B" #22E  
COUNTY: SAN JUAN ,NM



OIL - BBL/S/DAY

0.1

1000

WID: 8699 CID: 8700  
 KUTZ CANYON W SUGA / DAKOTA  
 OPERATOR: UTPC  
 WELL: ANGEL PEAK 'B' #22E  
 COUNTY: SAN JUAN , NM

100

GAS MGD/DAY

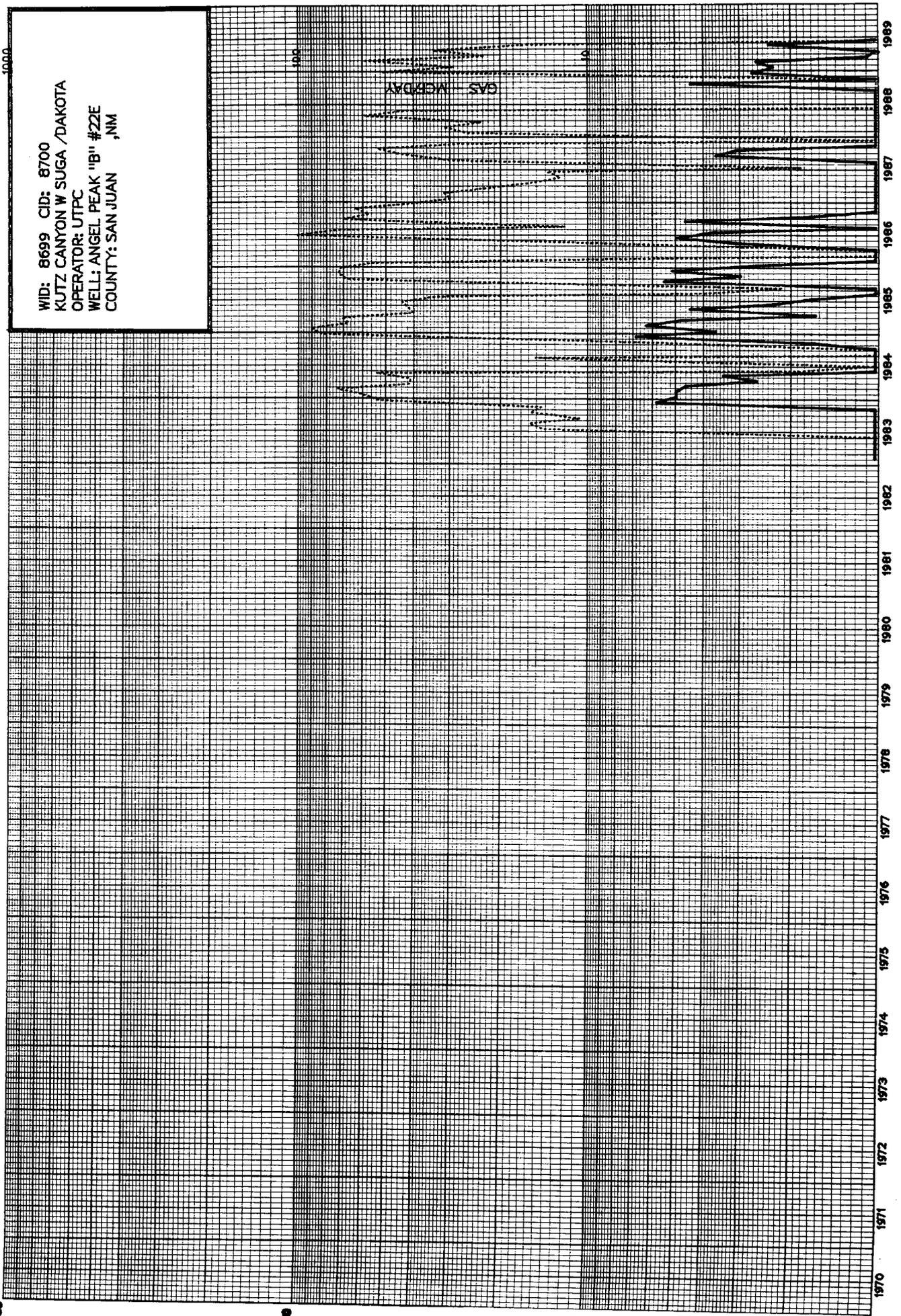
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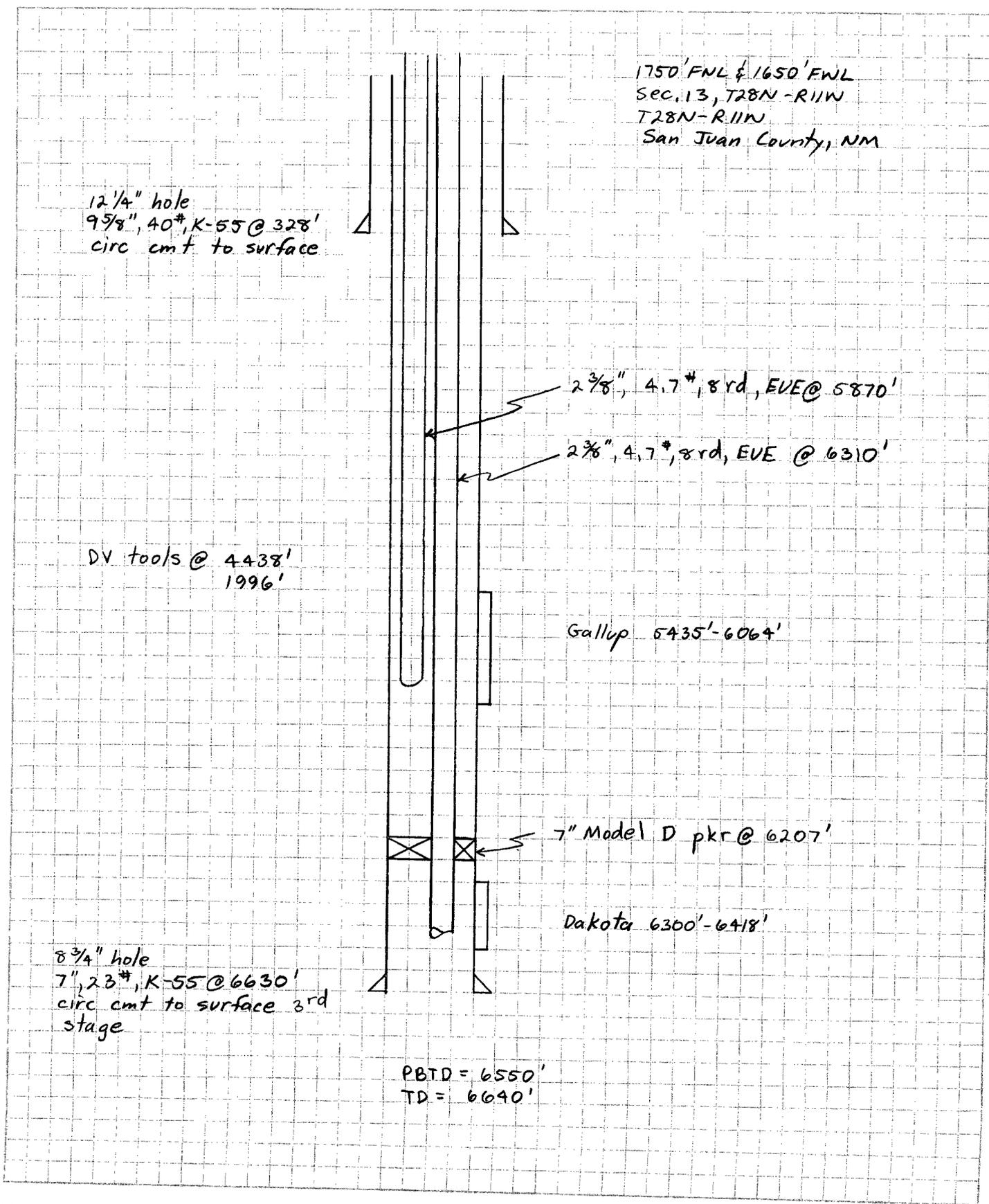
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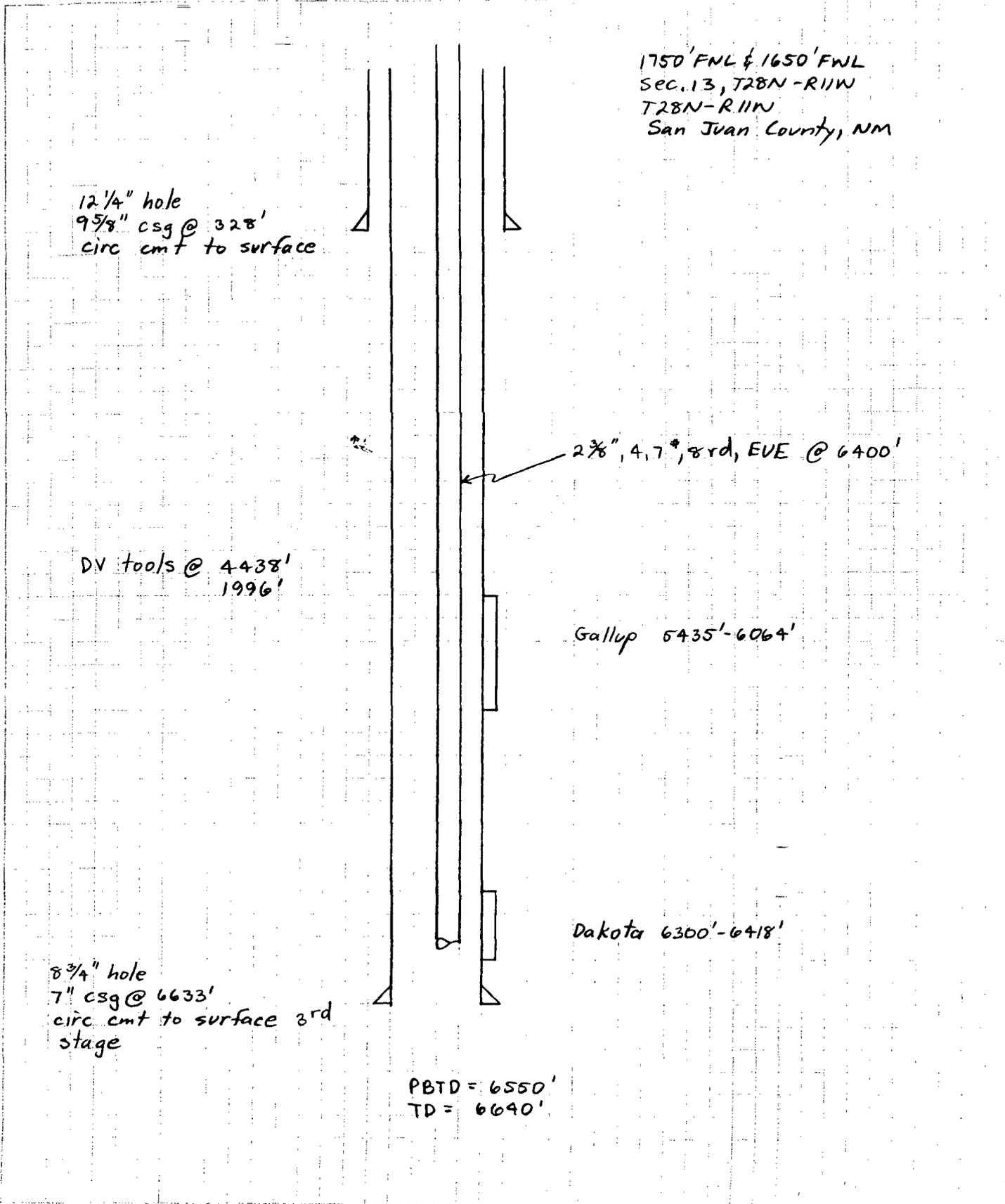
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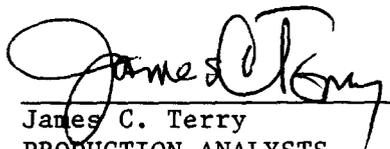
UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM  
ANGEL PEAK B24E  
LEASE FLUIDS

LABORATORY INVESTIGATION  
OF  
ANGEL PEAK GALLUP AND DAKOTA FLUIDS COMPATABILITY  
JANUARY 22, 1986

PREPARED FOR:

UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM  
Stere Katirgis  
Petroleum Engineer

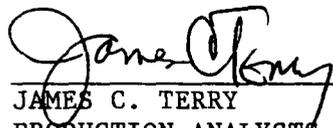
PREPARED BY:

  
James C. Terry  
PRODUCTION ANALYSTS

LABORATORY INVESTIGATION  
ANGEL PEAK B24E  
LEASE FLUIDS

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

1. No precipitation of materials was observed from either admixture of fluids.
2. Emulsion testing was performed. There is no concern over emulsion effects.
3. The cloud point of oil mixtures dropped or remained the same upon mixing of fluids.
4. According to calculations not enough cool down from gas expansion will occur to alter paraffin deposition significantly.



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JAMES C. TERRY  
PRODUCTION ANALYSTS  
Farmington, New Mexico

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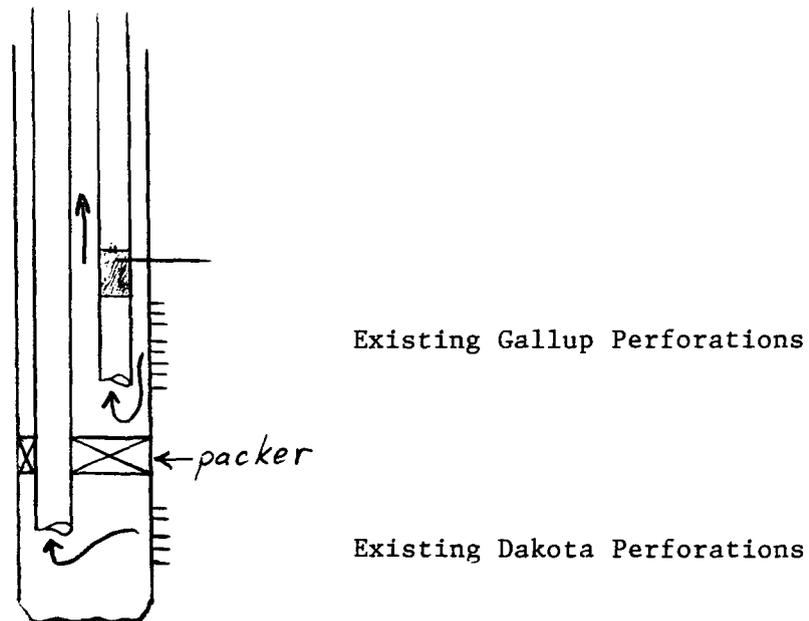
On Monday, January 13, 1986, a request for laboratory work was placed by Sterg Katirgis, Petroleum Engineer of Union Texas Petroleum Corporation.

PURPOSE

Two oil samples were received of Mr. Katirgis with the request we investigate the concern of potentially detrimental effects due to comingling of Gallup and Dakota fluids in the Angel Peak B24E.

INVESTIGATION

1. Background Information- *Current Wellbore*
  - a)



- b) BHST Gradient: 1.375° F/100 ft. depth.
- c) Current production problems are primarily due to paraffin deposition from surface down to  $\approx$ 1000' depth.

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d) Commingling Order Mixture Requirements:

The commingling requests present the mixing of Angel Peak B24E Dakota oil with Angel Peak B24E Gallup fluids (oil/water).

The tests performed simulated the mixture of fluids that may result from this commingling action. Each oil component was analyzed for API gravity, paraffin, pour point, and cloud point. Each water component was analyzed for dissolved solids, pH, specific gravity and resistivity. The mixture of oils addressed the potential increase in precipitation of materials and the potential increase in paraffin content by a synergistic effect of mixing oils of different constitution. Emulsion tests simulated the mixing environment of the wellbore where the water component of a fluid could be tied up in a resulting emulsion without the ability to break out and allow separation of the oil and water constituents. The emulsion test results present the number of ml (% of mixture) of water breakout at listed time intervals. The volume of test sample (mixture) used in the emulsion tests is 100 ml.

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2. Concerns to address in analysis.

- a) The precipitation of materials produced by the admixture of oils of potentially different constitution.
- b) The creation of emulsions due to the admixture of different fluids.
- c) Increased paraffin deposition by additive properties of oils.
- d) Increased paraffin deposition due to the reduction of temperature accompanying gas expansion.

3. Steps taken in analysis

- a) API Analysis of oils including: API Gravity  
Pour Point  
Cloud Point  
Paraffin Content  
B S & W
- b) Discussion with Mr. Katirgis regarding the well bore production environment; e.g., mode of hydrocarbon production, pump type and operation, water components of production fluids, current paraffin problems, etc.
- c) Mixing of oils in appropriate cases with additional cloud point testing to determine resulting fluid characteristics.
- d) API Water Analysis
- e) Emulsion tendency testing via mixing of fluids in appropriate cases.

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DATA

Sample #1

Zone:	Dakota
API Gravity @ 60°F	53.0
Cloud Point	22°F
Pour Point	-1°F
Paraffin Content	7.98% (weight)

Sample #2

Zone:	Gallup
API Gravity @ 60°F	44.1
Cloud Point	2°F
Pour Point	< -12°F
Paraffin Content	14.19% (weight)

Sample #3

Zone:	50/50 Mix
API Gravity @ 60° F	48.9
Cloud Point	24°F
Pour Point	< -10°F
Paraffin Content	11.89% (weight)

Analysis No. 1

Date 1-22-86

PRODUCTION ANALYSTS

Oil Analysis

Operator Union Texas Petroleum Date Sampled 1-10-86  
Well Angel Peak B24E Date Received 1-13-86  
Field - Submitted By Sterg Katirgis  
Formation Dakota Worked By Clay Terry  
Depth - Sample Description Brownish, clear oil  
County San Juan sample. No water phase or emulsion.  
State New Mexico Small bottom solids component.

API Gravity 53.0 ° at 60°F  
Paraffin Content 7.98 % by weight  
Asphaltene Content n/a % by weight  
Pour Point -1 °F  
Cloud Point 22 °F

SAMPLE COMPOSITION:

H <sub>2</sub> O	0
Emulsion	0
Oil	780
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Total	780 ml

Comments:

B S & W Test Results:

Oil	99.9
Water	0
Solids	<0.1
Emulsion	0

Analyst 

Analysis No. 2

Date 1-22-86

PRODUCTION ANALYSTS

Oil Analysis

Operator Union Texas Petroleum

Date Sampled 1-10-86

Well Angel Peak B24E

Date Received 1-13-86

Field -

Submitted By Sterg Katirgis

Formation Gallup

Worked By Clay Terry

Depth -

Sample Description Oil/Water/Emulsion sample.

County San Juan

Oil phase is yellowish-brown, opaque.

State New Mexico

Emulsion phase not serious.

API Gravity 44.1 ° at 60°F

Sample Composition:

Paraffin Content 14.19 % by weight

H<sub>2</sub>O 103

Asphaltene Content N/A % by weight

Emulsion 16

Pour Point <-12 °F

Oil 807

Cloud Point 2 °F

Total 926ml

Comments:

B S & W Test Results:

Oil 95.5%  
Water 0.8%  
Solids <0.1%  
Emulsion 3.7%

Analyst Clay Terry

Analysis No. 3

Date 1-22-86

PRODUCTION ANALYSTS

Oil Analysis

Operator Union Texas Petroleum Date Sampled 1-10-86

Well Angel Peak B24E Date Received 1-13-86

Field - Submitted By Sterg Katirgis

Formation Gallup/Dakota Worked By Clay Terry

Depth - Sample Description 50/50 mix of oils from

County San Juan Gallup and Dakota intervals.

State New Mexico

API Gravity 48.9 ° at 60°F

Paraffin Content 11.89 % by weight

Asphaltene Content n/a % by weight

Pour Point <-10 °F

Cloud Point 24 °F

Comments:

B S & W Test Results:

Oil	96.0%
Water	0.4%
Solids	<0.1%
Emulsion	3.6%

Analyst Clay Terry

API WATER ANALYSIS REPORT FORM

Company Union Texas Petroleum		Sample No. 2B	Date Sampled 1-10-86	
Field Angel Peak Gal/Dak	Legal Description -		County or Parish San Juan	State NM
Lease or Unit Angel Peak B	Well 24E	Depth -	Formation Gallup	Water. B/D H <sub>2</sub> O
Type of Water (Produced, Supply, etc.) Produced		Sampling Point Separator		Sampled By SK

DISSOLVED SOLIDS

CATIONS	mg/l	me/l
Sodium, Na (calc.)	218	9.5
Calcium, Ca	-0-	-0-
Magnesium, Mg	29	2.4
Barium, Ba		
Potassium, K	180	4.6

ANIONS

Chloride, Cl	383	10.8
Sulfate, SO <sub>4</sub>	25	0.5
Carbonate, CO <sub>3</sub>	-0-	-0-
Bicarbonate, HCO <sub>3</sub>	319	5.2
Hydroxide, OH	-0-	-0-

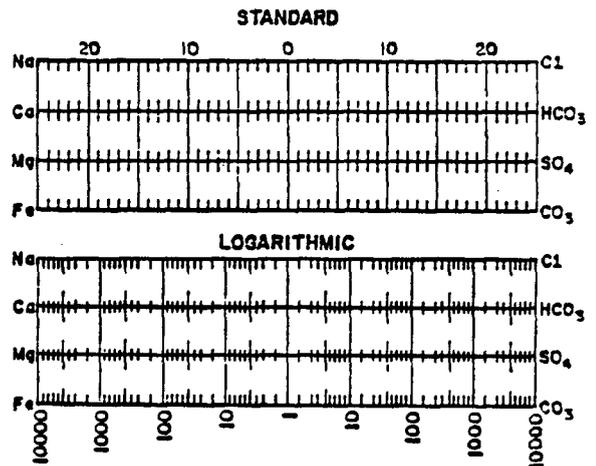
Total Dissolved Solids (calc.)	1154
Iron, Fe (total)	-0-
Sulfide, as H <sub>2</sub> S	-0-

REMARKS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

OTHER PROPERTIES

pH	6.3
Specific Gravity, 60/60 F.	1.003
Resistivity (ohm-meters) 75 F.	8
Total Hardness	120

WATER PATTERNS — me/l



DATE:

Fig. 1

## EMULSION TESTS DATA SHEET

OPERATOR: UNION TEXAS SUBMITTED BY: S. KATIRGIS TYPE & CONC. OF FLUID: 50/50 MIX OF  
 WELL: ANGEL PEAK B24E SOURCE OF SAMPLE: GALLUP/DAKOTA FLUIDS  
 FIELD: Angel Peak Gal/B DATE SAMPLED: 1-10-86 TYPE & CONC. OF SOLIDS:  
 FORMATION: Gallup/Dakota DATE RECEIVED: 1-13-86 TEST TEMPERATURE: 75°F  
 DEPTH: Unknown API GRAVITY OF OIL: 48.9 FLUID RATIO: 50/50  
 COUNTY: San Juan ANALYSIS BY: C. Terry

PERCENTAGE OF ORIGINAL H<sub>2</sub>O SEPARATED AT VARIOUS TIME INTERVALS AFTER EMULSIFYING

Test Number	1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8	
Elapsed Time	Time	Vol														
1 min	1	4	2		3		4		5		6		7		8	
2	2	6	3		4		5		6		7		8		9	
3	3	7	4		5		6		7		8		9		10	
4	4	7	5		6		7		8		9		10		11	
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8	8	7	9		10		11		12		13		14		15	
9	9	7	10		11		12		13		14		15		16	
10	10	7	11		12		13		14		15		16		17	
20	20	7	21		22		23		24		25		26		27	
30	30	7	31		32		33		34		35		36		37	
Total Vol (ml)		100														
Vol. Emulsion / Sludge		0														
Solids*																
Interface**																
OIL		93														

## REMARKS:

\* Preferential wetting of solids: OB=oil-wet bottom; OO=oil-wet oil phase; WB=water-wet bottom; WO=water-wet oil phase  
 OI=oil-wet interface; WI=water-wet interface

\*\* Interface: F=Fluid; S=Solid; V=Viscous

\*\*The mixture of fluids was constructed to reflect proper proportions of the various fluids within each sample. Therefore, the mix was 50 ml Dakota oil, 43 ml Gallup oil, 6 ml Gallup H<sub>2</sub>O, 1 ml Gallup Emulsion

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CALCULATIONS

Cool down effects due to gas expansion:

Reference: Perry's Handbook of Chemical Engineering

RE: Adiabatic Expansion of Ethane, Methane

$$T_s = T_r \left( \frac{P_s}{P_r} \right)^{\left( \frac{K-1}{K} \right)}, \text{ where}$$

$T_s$  = Surface Temperature

$T_r$  = Reservoir Temperature

$P_s$  = Surface Pressure

$P_r$  = Reservoir Pressure

$K$  =  $\frac{\text{Specific heat at constant pressure}}{\text{Specific heat at constant volume}}$

Assumed values for maximum cool down due to gas expansion:

$T_s$  = Unknown

$T_r$  = 160° F

$P_s$  = 500 psi

$P_r$  = 2000 psi

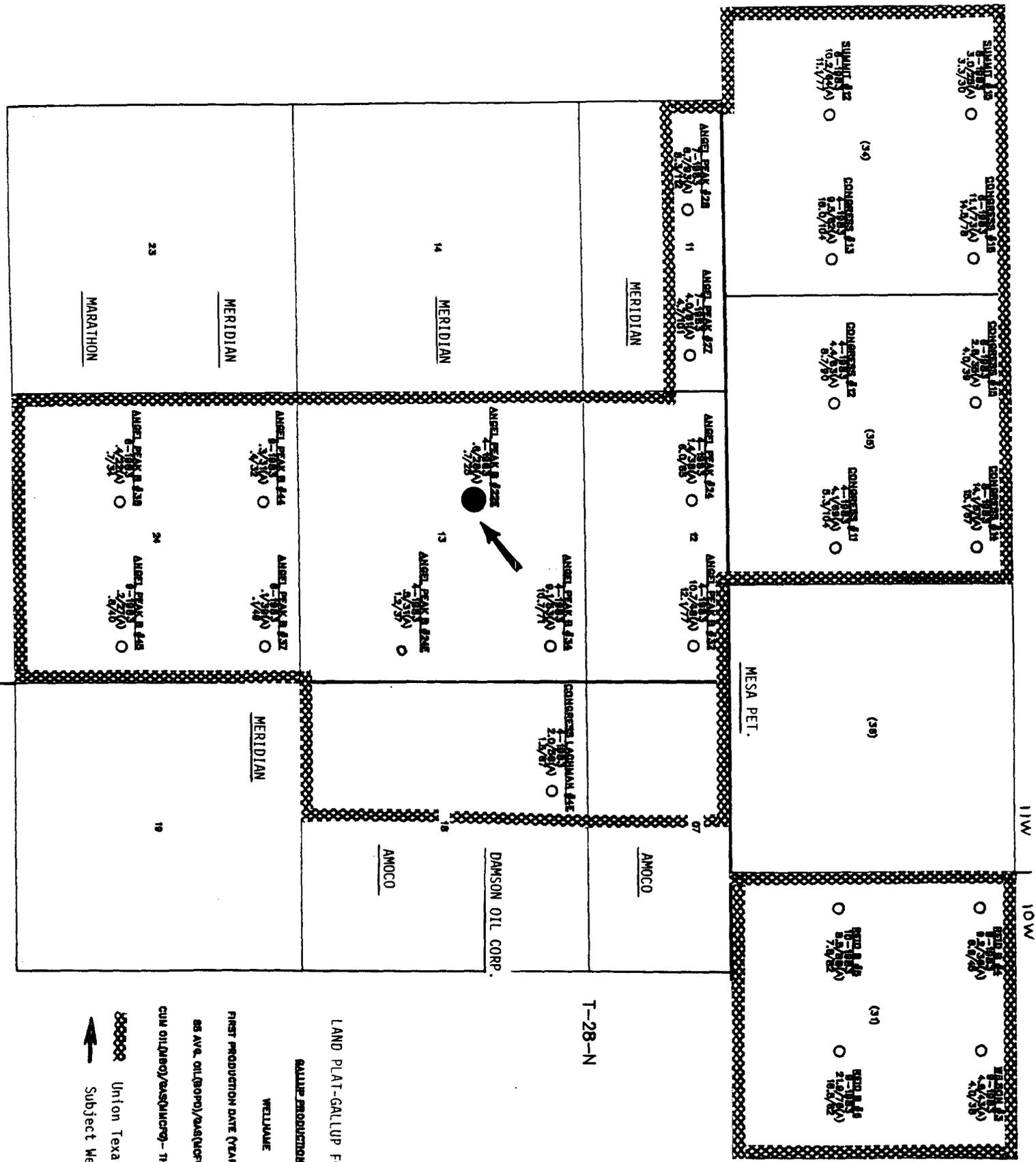
$K$  = 1.2

$T_s = 160 \left( \frac{500}{2000} \right)^{0.1667}$

$T_s = 127° F$

NOTE:

A total cooldown of 33°F would be expected



LAND PLAT-GALLUP FORMATION

GALLUP PRODUCTION DATA

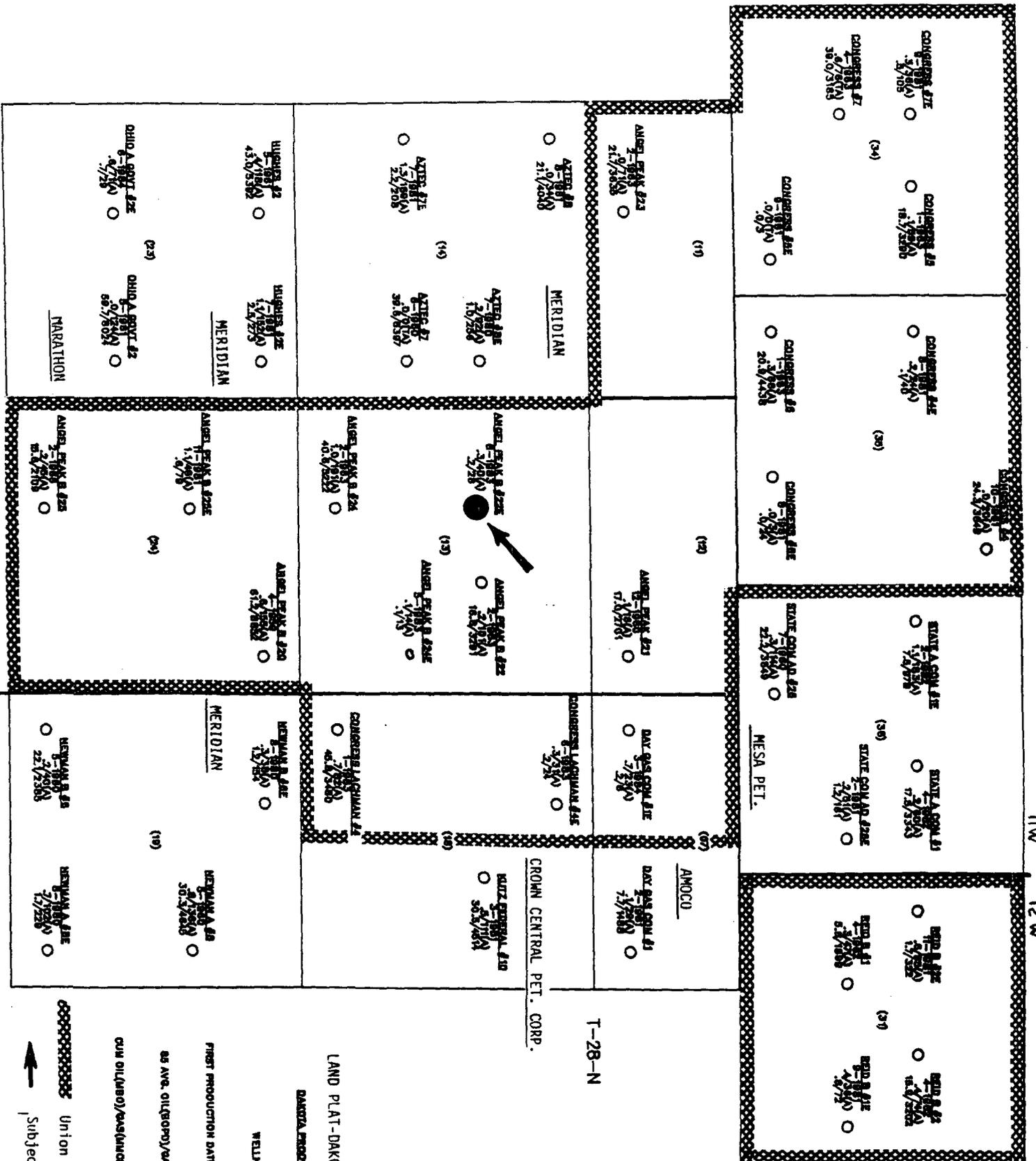
WELLNAME

FIRST PRODUCTION DATE (YEAR-MONTH-DAY)

AS AVE. OIL (BORO)/GAS (GFCP) (STATUS)

CUW OIL (BORO)/GAS (GFCP) - THROUGH 8/30/85

Union Texas Acreage  
 Subject Well



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T-28-N

LAND PLAT-DAKOTA FORMATION

DAKOTA PRODUCTION DATA

WELLNAME

FIRST PRODUCTION DATE (YEAR-MONTH-DAY)

AS AVE. OIL(OR)/GAS(OIL/GAS) (STATUS)

ONLY OIL(OR)/GAS(OIL/GAS) - THROUGH 6/30/95

Union Texas Acreage

Subject Well

R-11-W

R-10-W

11 W

12 W



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
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 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
 AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

GARREY CARRUTHERS  
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Date: 7/7/89

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OIL CONSERVATION DIV.  
 SANTA FE

Oil Conservation Division  
 P.O. Box 2088  
 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Re: Proposed MC \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposed DHC X \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposed NSL \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposed SWD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposed WFX \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proposed PMX \_\_\_\_\_

Gentlemen:

I have examined the application dated 7/3/89

for the Union Texas Petroleum Corp. Angel Park #22E  
 Operator Lease & Well No.

F-13-28A-11W and my recommendations are as follows:  
 Unit, S-T-R

Approve  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Yours truly,

J. S. G.