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Farmington, New Mexico 87401

September 12, 1997

IN REPLY REFER TO:

NMSF 078433 (WF)  
3162.7-3 (07400)

Mr. Jerry W. Hoover  
Senior Conservation Coordinator  
Conoco Inc.  
10 Desta Drive, Ste. 100W  
Midland, TX 79705-4500

RE: Downhole Commingling  
No. 17E Newsom  
860' FSL & 910' FEL  
Sec. 20, T. 26 N., R. 8 W.  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your application to downhole commingling the Basin Fruitland Coal and Basin Dakota formations in the referenced well has been reviewed. Allocation will be determined by projecting the production for the Dakota formation and taking the difference to determine the allocated production for the Fruitland formation.. Approval to downhole commingling is hereby granted using the subtraction method.

If you have further questions regarding this correspondence, contact Brian W. Davis at (505) 599-6367.

Sincerely,

**/s/ Brian W. Davis**

Duane W. Spencer  
Team Leader, Petroleum Management

bcc:  
NMOCD, Santa Fe; DOMR; Suspense (Brian);  
Well File(No. 17E Newsom,860'FSL & 910' FEL,20-26N-8W);

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