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June 4, 1999

Apache Corporation
2000 Post Oak Boulevard
Suite 100
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Attn: Ms. Frances M. Byers

Re: Downhole Commingling Application
State "C" Tract 13 Well No. 5
Unit Letter E, Section 36-21S-37E
Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard Pools
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Byers:

Your application to downhole commingle the production from within the wellbore of the above-captioned well was received on May 20, 1999. Your application requests our approval to downhole commingle the Blinebry, Tubb, and Drinkard production within the wellbore of the State "C" Tract 13 Well No. 5, Unit Letter E, located in Section 36-21S-37E, Lea County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that production from the subject well will be allocated as follows: (Allocation was corrected based on production and test data submitted.)

<u>POOL</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>	
	<u>Oil%</u>	<u>Gas %</u>
Blinebry	50%	49%
Tubb	0%	28%
Drinkard	50%	23%
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	100%	100%

Since it appears that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's rules and regulations have been complied with, and there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico as a result of your proposed operation, your request for downhole commingling the production from the above-mentioned well is hereby approved. Any deviation from the substance of your request will be sufficient grounds for rescinding our approval. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

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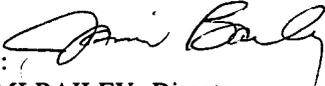
Your filing fee in the amount of \$30.00 has been received.

Also, please submit a copy of the Oil Conservation Division's Order approving this application.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: 

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Enclosure

xc: Reader File

OCD--Attention: David Catanach, Ben Stone