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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

April 10, 1998

Attn: Oil Conservation Division
Mr. Michael Stogner
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Re: EXCEPTION TO RULE 303A
Permanent Approval to Surface Commingle
State "AN" #12
Unit Letter I, Sec 7, T-18S, R-35E
Lea County, New Mexico

Mr. Stogner,

Texaco Exploration and Production respectfully requests administrative approval to permanently surface commingle the above mentioned well into the Abo Reef Consolidated Battery. The State "AN" #12 is a newly drilled Vacuum Devonian oil producer and is currently testing at rates of approximately 200 BOPD, 960 BWPD, and 138 MCFPD with the bottom hole pressure diminishing from an original 360 psi to the current 1500 psi. The subject well was spud on October 21, 1997, and completed in the Devonian formation in the Vacuum field.

In accordance to amended commingle order #PLC-103, the Abo Reef Consolidated battery can accept Atoka, Drinkard, and Abo Reef production. The Devonian production, which is requested to be commingled into this facility, contains identical working interest, royalty interest, and overriding royalty interest as the current battery production. Texaco maintains that the State of New Mexico will suffer no loss of revenue due to the proposed operation. This well is not a top allowable well and therefore production will be allocated from well tests. The facility installation is in accordance to the "MANUAL FOR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF COMMINGLING FACILITIES".

Please refer to the attached C-102 plat, facility diagram, and lease diagram, for additional information pertaining to this request.

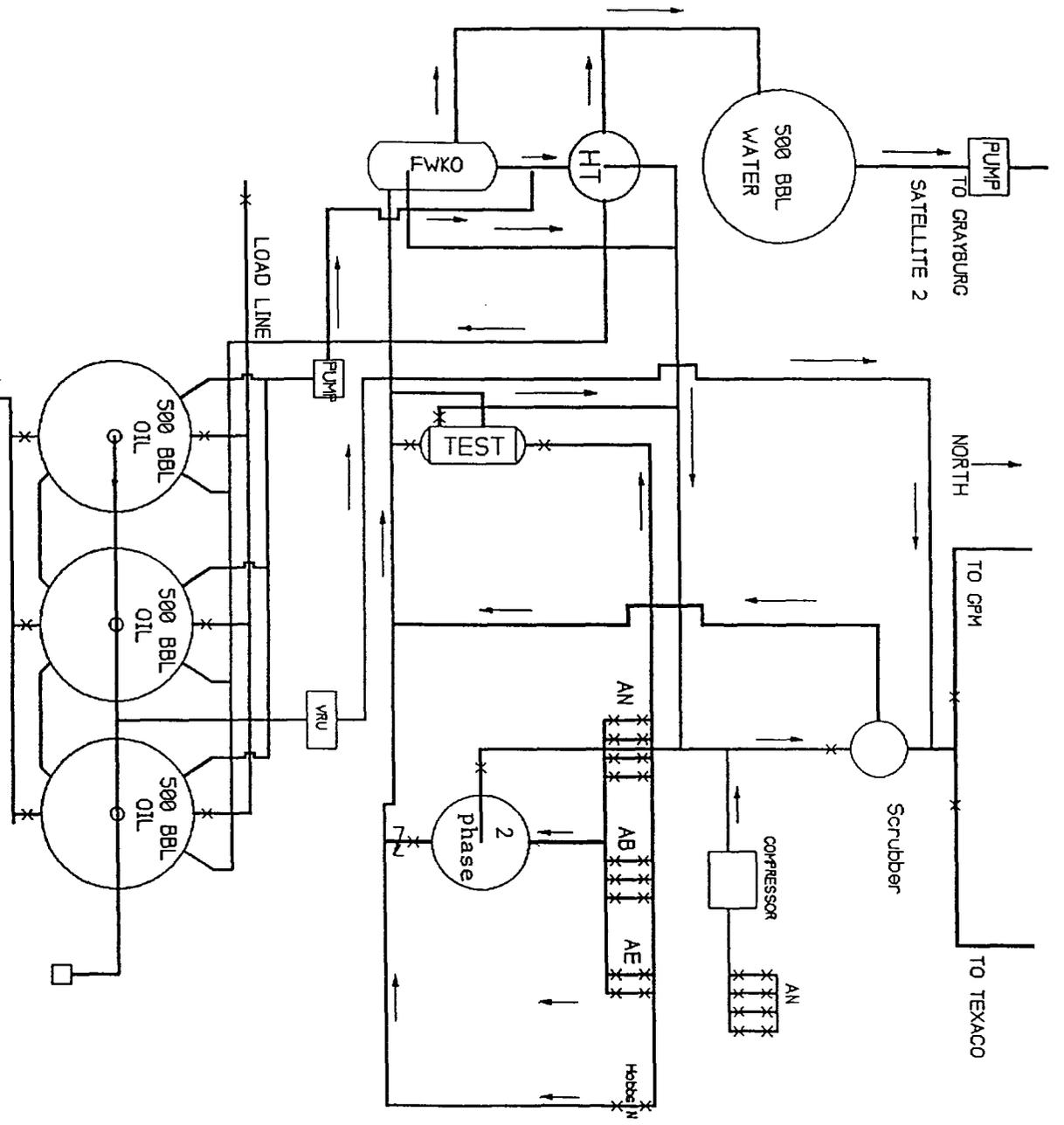
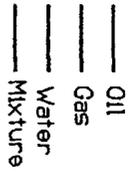
Please don't hesitate to call me with any questions, at (505) 397-0405.

Sincerely,

J. Denise Leake
Engineering Assistant (TEXACO)

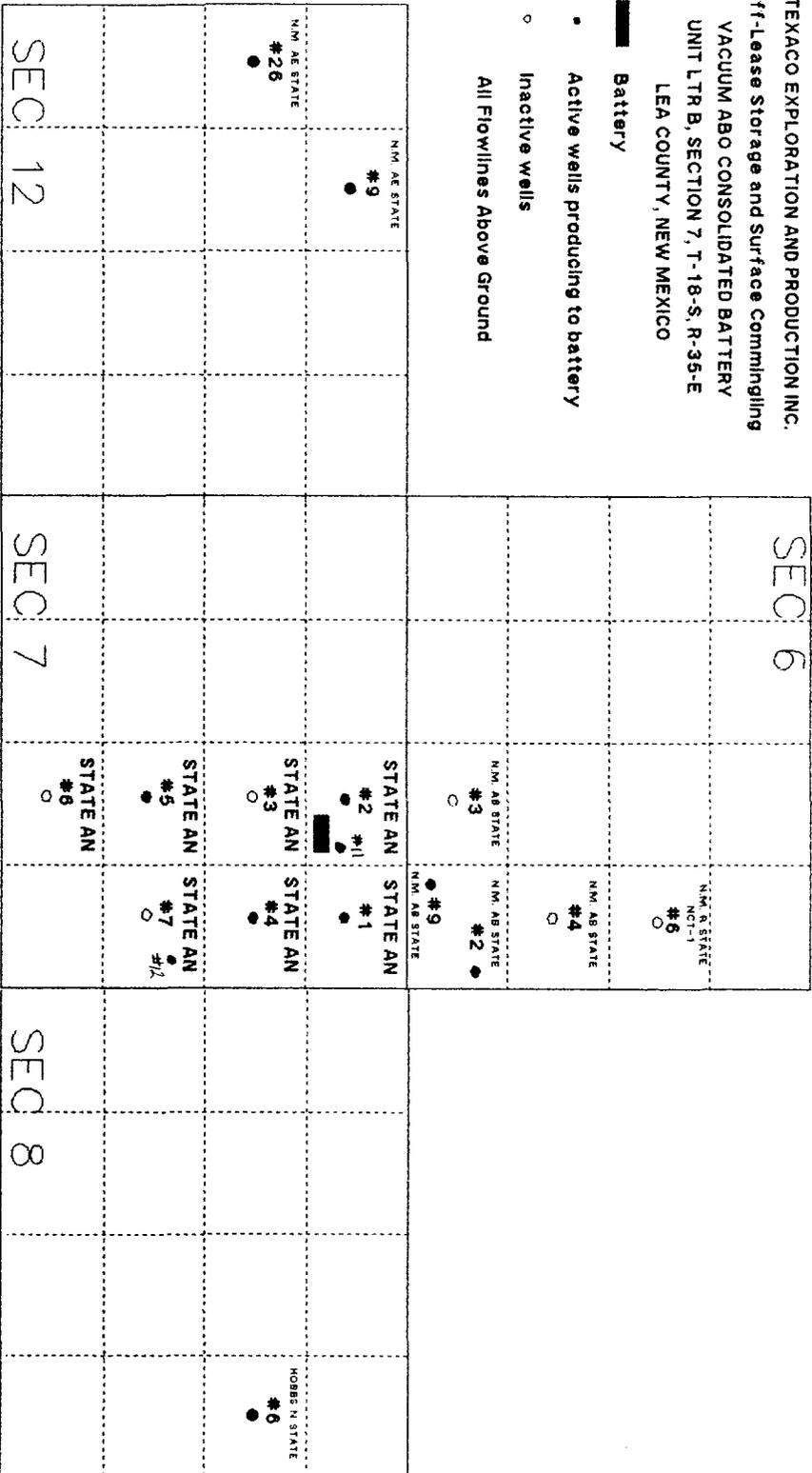
Cc: State Land Office

VACUUM ABO CONSOLIDATED BATTERY



TEXACO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION INC.
 Off-Lease Storage and Surface Commingling
 VACUUM ABO CONSOLIDATED BATTERY
 UNIT LTR B, SECTION 7, T-18-S, R-35-E
 LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

- Battery
 - Active wells producing to battery
 - Inactive wells
- All Flowlines Above Ground



T-18-S, R-34-E

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