

AMEND PLC 4/12/99

Mid-Continent Region  
Production United States



P.O. Box 552  
Midland, TX 79702-0552  
Telephone 915/682-1626

March 17, 1999

PLC-140

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
Attn.: Mr. Ben Stone  
2040 South Pacheco Street  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Amending PLC-140

Dear Mr. Stone:

Please amend the commingle order shown above to include the recently drilled Indian Hills Unit Well No. 18. This well is located at UL "O" Section 20, T-21-S, R-24-E. Please see the attached copy of the application that was sent to the BLM for the details of this commingle.

If you need more information, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 915-687-8449. Thank you for your help and your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ginny Larke'.

Ginny Larke  
Engineer Technician

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**UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**

*Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.*

FORM APPROVED  
Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135  
Expires November 30 2000

5. Lease Serial No.

**LC-064391-B**

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.

**INDIAN HILLS UNIT**

**NM NM 70964X**

8. Well Name and No.

**INDIAN HILLS UNIT #18**

9. API Well No.

**30-015-30564**

10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area

**INDIAN BASIN UPPER PENN ASSOCIATED**

11. County or Parish, State

**EDDY NM**

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side

1. Type of Well

Oil Well  Gas Well  Other

2. Name of Operator

**Marathon Oil Company**

3a. Address

**P.O. Box 552 Midland, TX 79702**

3b. Phone No. (include area code)

**915-682-1626**

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)

**UL "O", 409' FSL & 2324' FEL  
SECTION 20, T-21-S, R-24-E**

12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>OFF LEASE</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	<u>STORAGE &amp; MEASUR.</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	<u>&amp; COMMINGLE</u>

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recomplate horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recomplate in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the final site is ready for final inspection.)

As required by 43 CFR 3162.7-2 and Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 4, Marathon Oil Company is requesting approval of off-lease measurement, storage & sales, alternate measurement method, and surface commingling of liquid hydrocarbons for this well. Also, as required by 43 CFR 3162.7-3 and Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 5, we are requesting approval of off-lease measurement, storage & sales of gas. Turbine meters are proposed to be used for the alternate method of metering liquid hydrocarbons.

The form, maps and schematics attached show the leases and wells affected by this request, the equipment that will be used, and give a more detailed explanation of this operation.

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct

Name (Printed/Typed)

**Ginny Larke**

*Ginny Larke*

Title

**Engineer Technician**

Date

**3/12/99**

**THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE**

Approved by

Title

Date

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Office

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

**APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING  
OFF-LEASE MEASUREMENT, STORAGE AND ALTERNATE MEASUREMENT  
APPROVAL**

**To: Bureau of Land Management  
P.O. Box 1778  
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220-1778**

Marathon Oil Company is requesting approval for Surface Commingling, Off-Lease Storage, Measurement and Sales, and Alternate Measurement of hydrocarbon production from the following formation(s) and well(s) on:

Lease Name: **Indian Hills Unit**

<u>Well No.</u>	<u>UL</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>TWP</u>	<u>RNG</u>	<u>Formation</u>	<u>Fed. Lease #</u>	<u>COM</u>
18	O	20	21-S	24-E	Upper Penn	LC064391B	N/A

Marathon would like to commingle the production from this well with the production of the following wells, which is commingled at the East Indian Basin Central Facility, (PLC-140)

<u>WELL NO.</u>	<u>BOPD</u>	<u>API<sup>o</sup></u>	<u>MCFD</u>
1	0	N/A	4214
6	0	40.7	0
8	225	35.7	2997
9	0	40.7	1604
12	0	40.6	0
Gas Com 13	0	44.8	744
Gas Com 3	0	61.6	4518
IB "32" State 1-Y	0	N/A	1211
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Liquid hydrocarbon production will be measured using turbine meters, per prior approval. These meters will be proved on a regular schedule. A map is enclosed showing the lease numbers and location of all leases and wells that will contribute production to the commingling/common storage facility. All unitized/communitized areas and producing zones/pools are also clearly illustrated. A schematic diagram is also attached which clearly identifies all equipment that will be utilized.

The Storage and Measuring facility will be located at UL "P", Sec. 19, T-21-S, R-24-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. There will be a satellite facility located at UL "N", Section 20, T-21-S, R-24-E, Eddy County, NM.

The BLM has been notified of this facility in prior applications and will be notified of any change in facility location. The gas, liquid hydrocarbons and water from the wells in Sections 20 and 21 will be gathered at this satellite facility. The facility will consist of a 3-phase test separator and a 3-phase production separator. A production manifold will allow for individual well testing in the test separator while production from the remaining wells flows to the production separator.

The gas from the separators will be metered at this satellite facility before being delivered to the compressors at the Storage and Measurement facility in Section 19. After compression, the gas will be

processed through a dehydrator, metered and delivered to the Indian Basin Gas Plant for further processing. The gas and NGLs will then be metered and sold at the tail-gate of the plant.

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Details of the proposed method for allocating production to contributing sources is as follows:

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The same formulas will be used to allocate gas and water production, per prior approval (PLC-140).

The working interest owners were notified of the original commingling proposal. The proposed commingling of production is in the interest of conservation and will not result in reduced royalty or improper measurement of production. The proposed commingling is necessary for continued operation of the above referenced Federal Lease.

We understand that the requested approval will not constitute the granting of any right-of-way or construction rights not granted by lease instrument and we will submit, within 30 days, an application for right-of-way to the BLM's Realty Section in your office, if we have not already done so. Additional wells will require additional commingling approvals.

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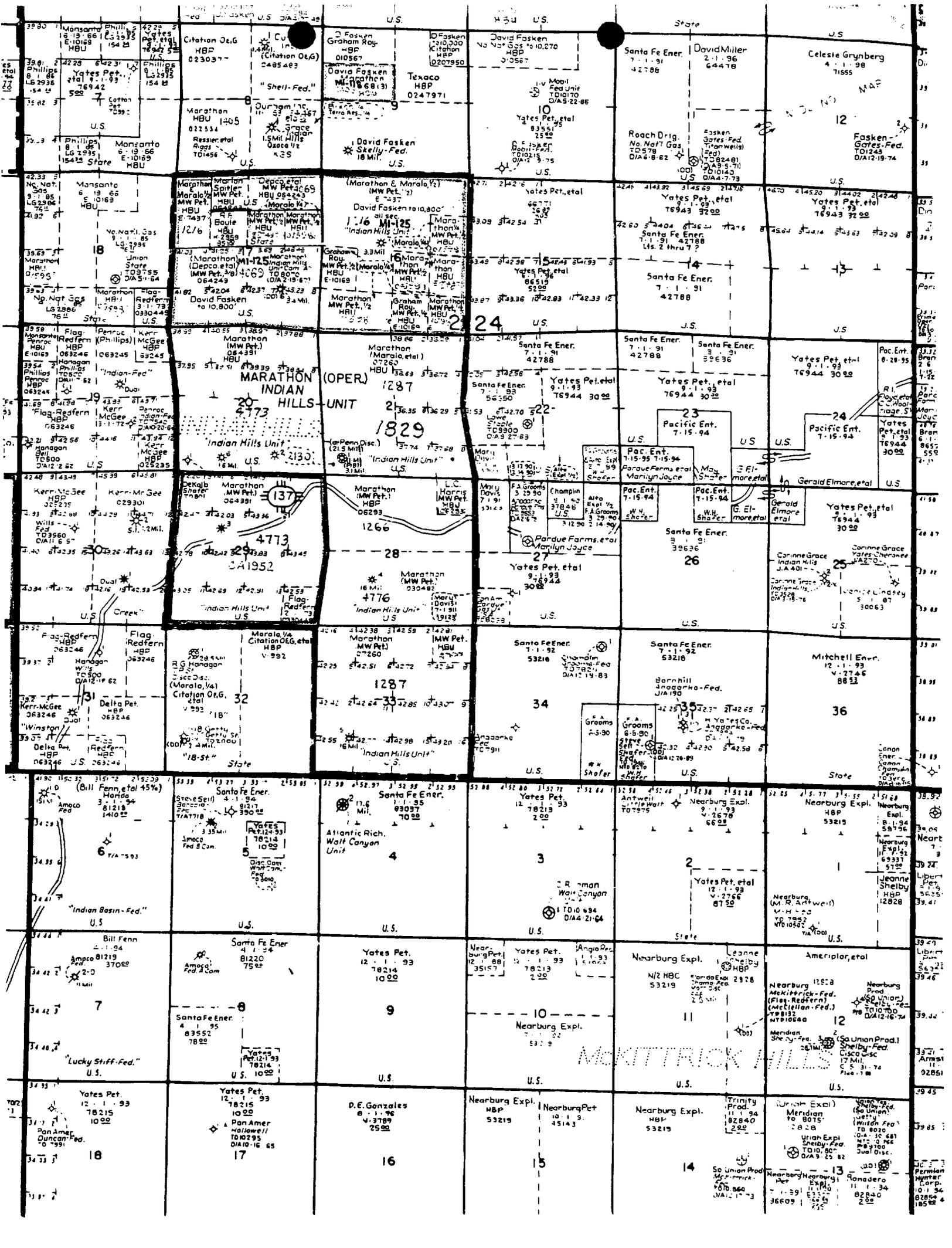
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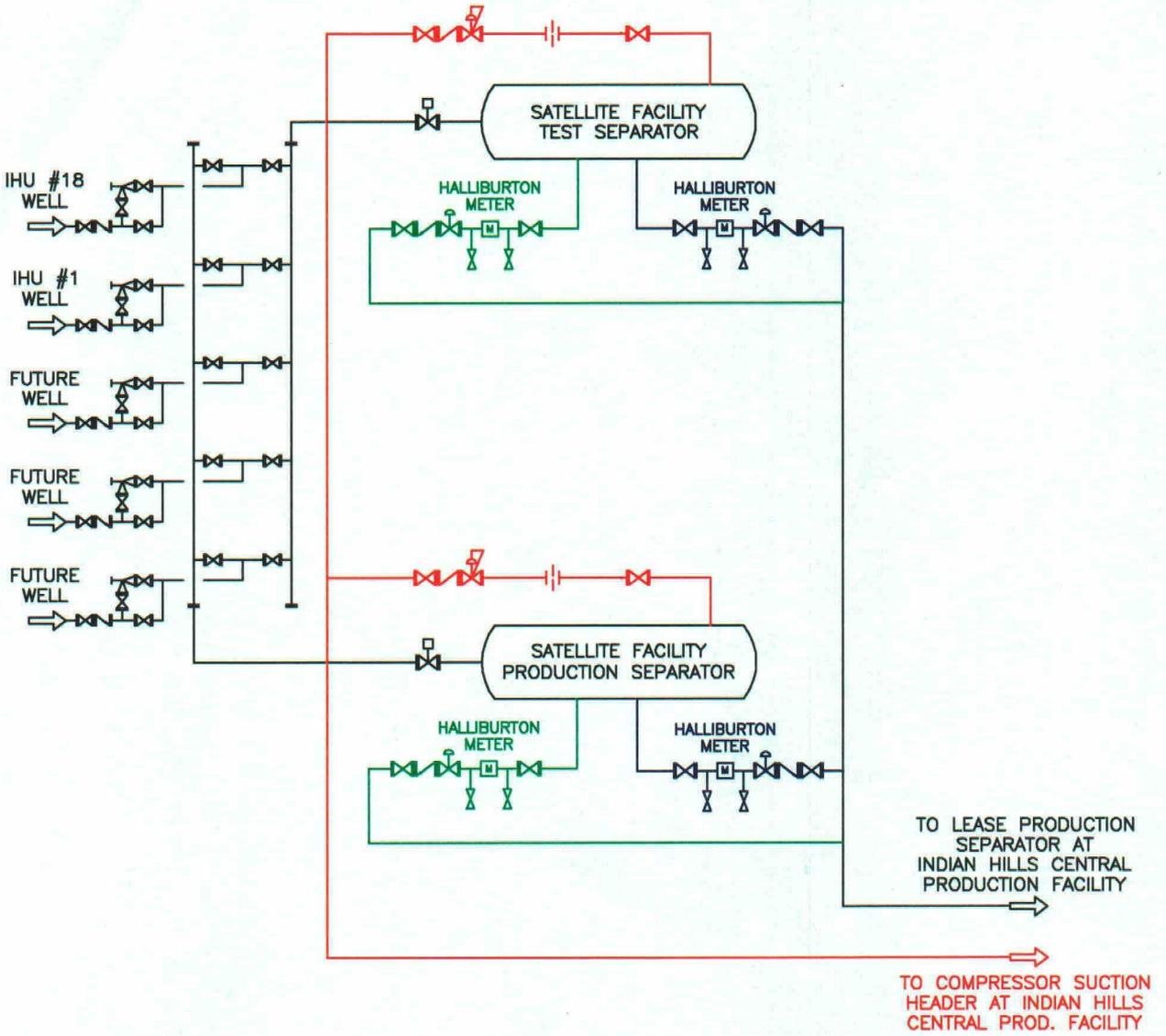
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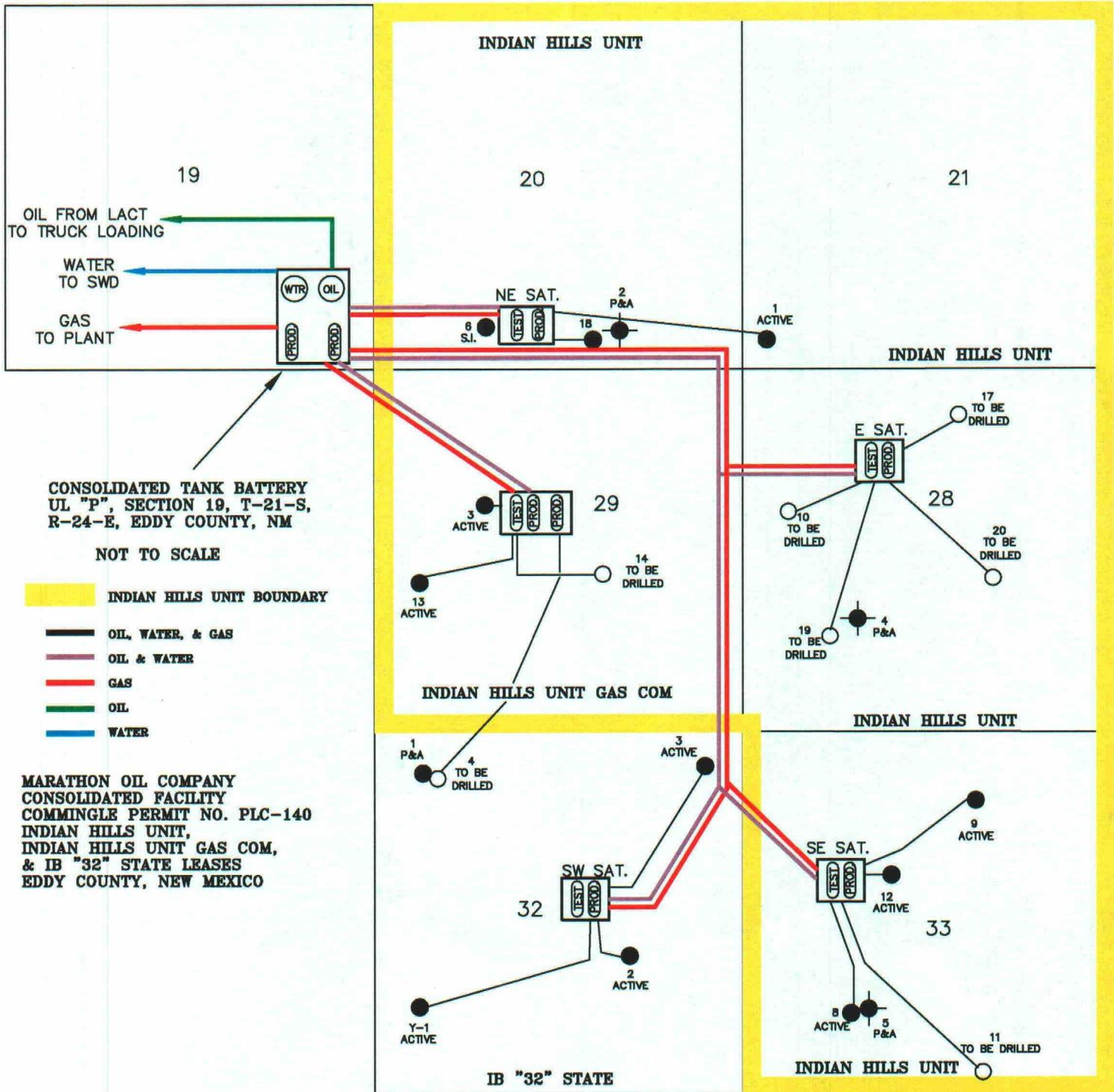


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R-24-E



T-21-S

CONSOLIDATED TANK BATTERY  
UL "P", SECTION 19, T-21-S,  
R-24-E, EDDY COUNTY, NM

NOT TO SCALE

- INDIAN HILLS UNIT BOUNDARY
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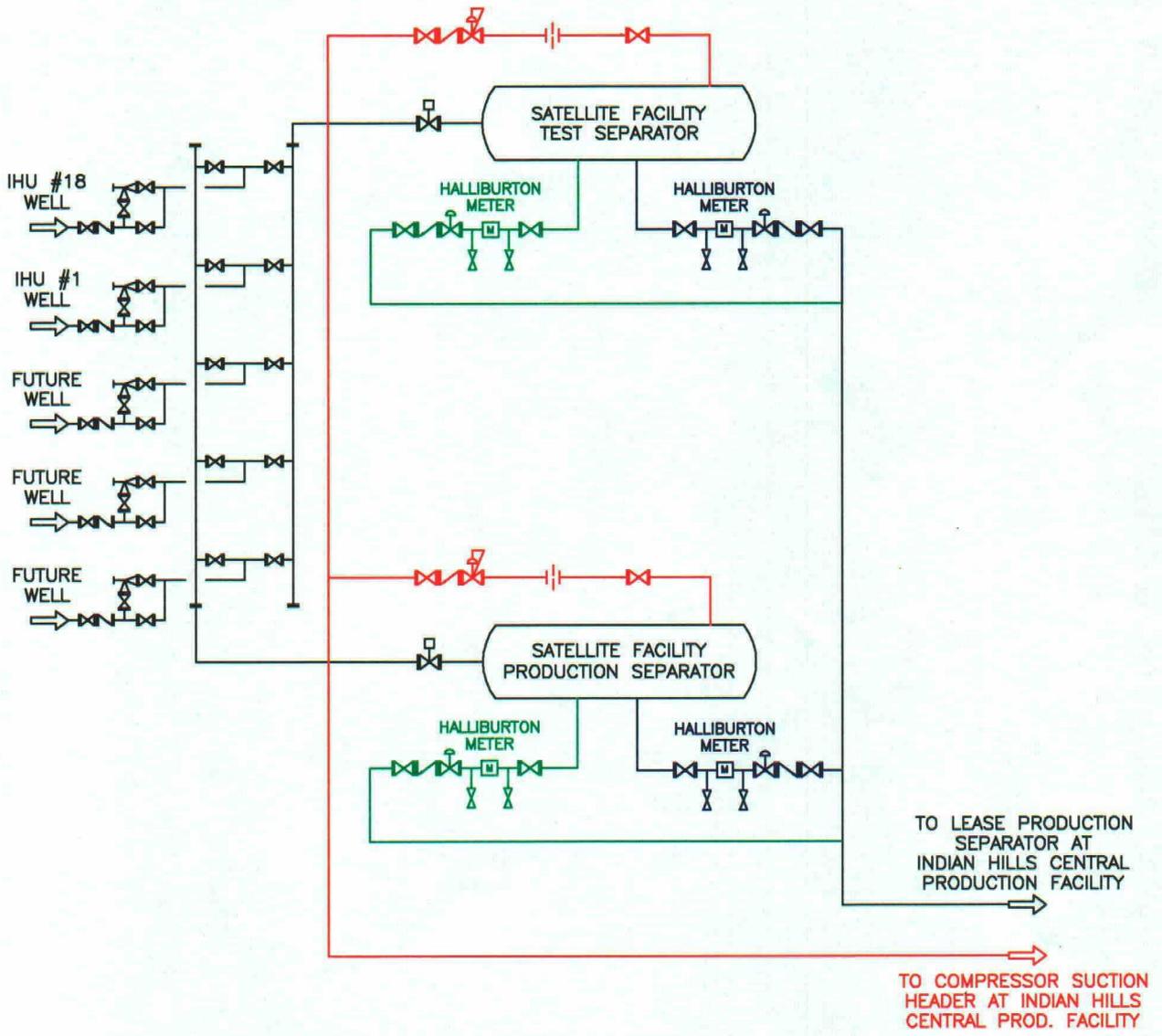
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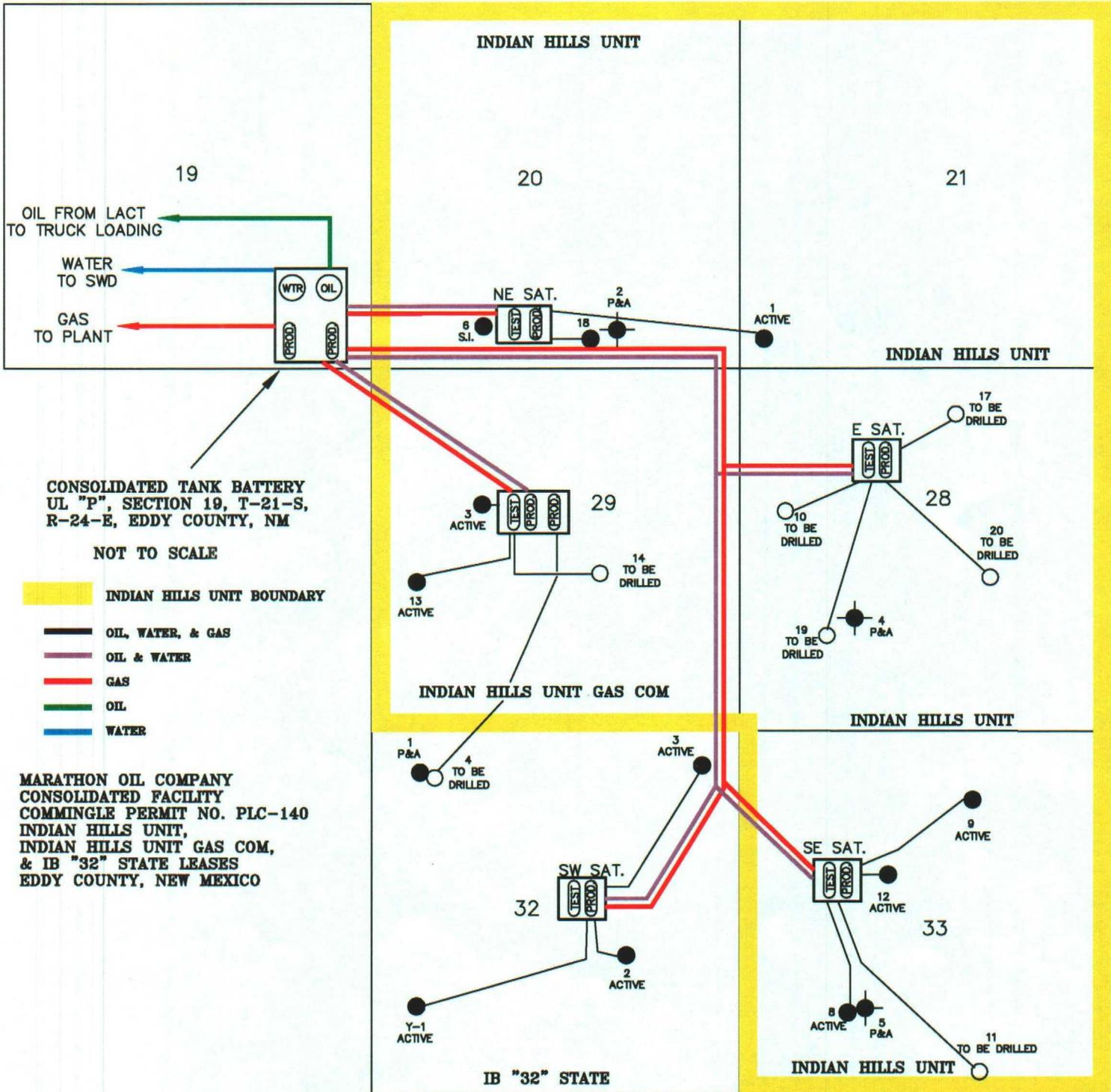


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