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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Farmington District

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088
Attn: David Catanach

SUBJECT:
Requesting Approval for
Surface Commingling of
Condensate Production from
Rincon Unit, Well No. 1-E
Sec 30, T-27-N, R-6-W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Union Oil Company of California, dba Unocal, requests permission to surface commingle condensate from its Rincon Unit, Well No. 1-E, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The following describes and demonstrates how Unocal proposes to allocate production under the context of BLM Onshore Oil and Gas orders for commingling, and under the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Manual for the Installation and Operation of Commingling Facilities.

The Rincon Unit No. 1-E well is a development gas well currently being drilled by Unocal. The well is to be completed as a dual Dakota/Mesa Verde producer; and it is anticipated that it will be ready for pipeline deliveries September 7, 1992.

Unocal is proposing to surface commingle produced fluids from individual separators into a common stock tank (Exhibit No. 1). Royalties will be paid on the liquid volumes sold from the tank.

The proposed location is within existing Dakota and Mesa Verde participating areas within the Rincon Unit (Exhibit No. 2). The lease is a federal lease and it is described in Exhibit No. 3. The royalty in the two formations is the same.

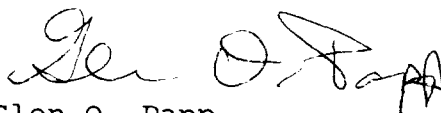
Unocal is requesting from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, approval for surface commingling of the produced condensate and the following method for allocating production. Unocal will conduct initial condensate production tests of equivalent time frames for each of the two zones. The condensate produced during the test period from each pool will be used to calculate an average daily rate (Exhibit No. 4, Part 1). Each

month this rate will be multiplied by the days on production, to yield a volume produced for the month (Exhibit No. 4, Part 3). The corrected volumes will be allocated as per Exhibit 4, Part 5. To ensure the accuracy of the allocation factor, Unocal will retest the zones every six months after the initial test.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information to process this request, please feel free to contact me at the above letterhead address or phone.

Very truly yours,

Union Oil Company of California
dba Unocal

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Glen O. Papp". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Glen" being more prominent than the last name "Papp".

Glen O. Papp
District Production Engineer

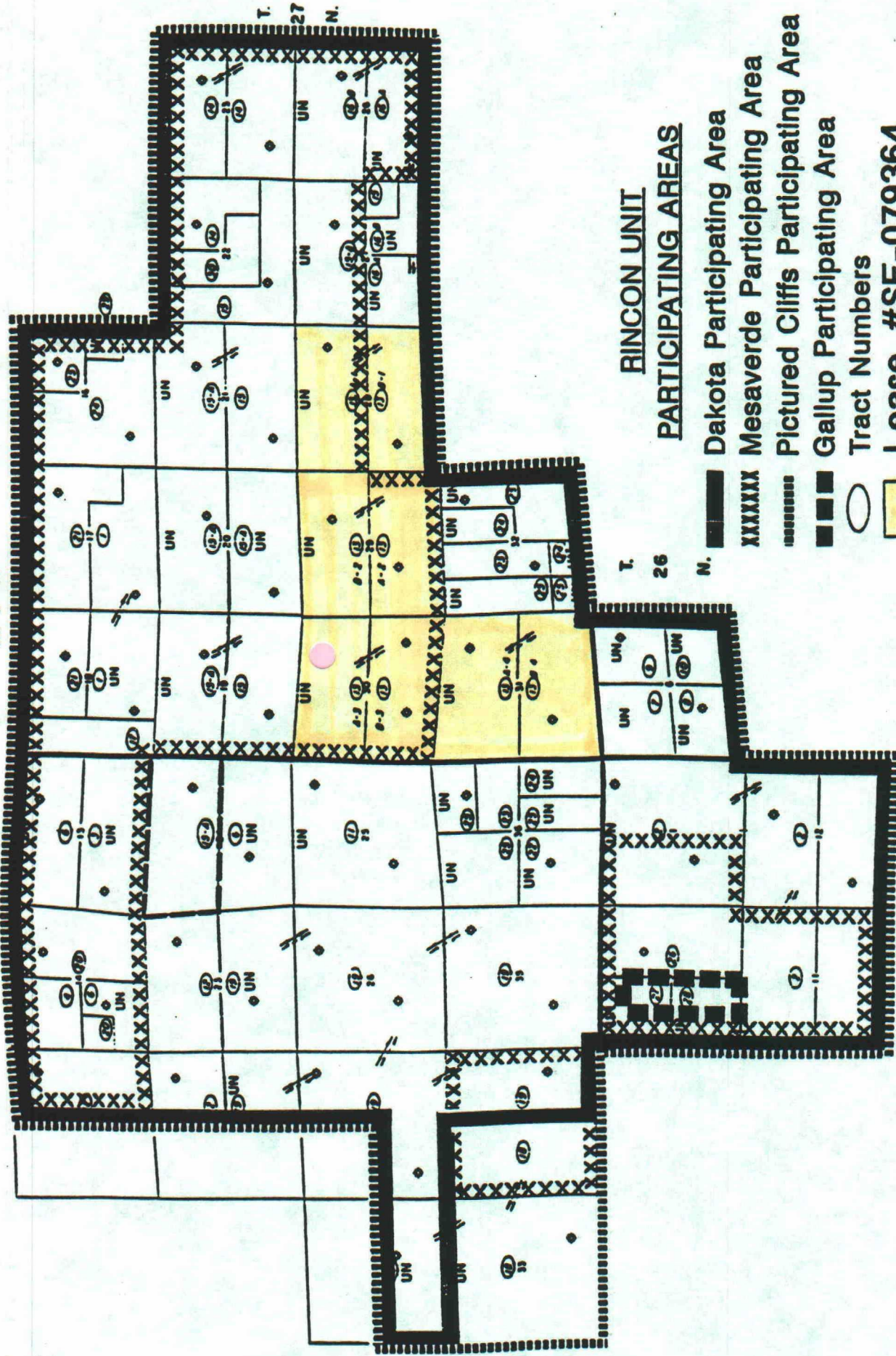
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cc:NMOCD Aztec Office--Frank Chavez
BLM--Ken Townsend

EXHIBIT No. 2

R. 7 W.

R. 6 W.



RINCON UNIT

PARTICIPATING AREAS

- Dakota Participating Area
- XXXXXX Mesaverde Participating Area
- ▨ Pictured Cliffs Participating Area
- Gallup Participating Area
- Tract Numbers
- Lease #SF-079364
- Proposed Well #1-E

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

EXHIBIT No. 1

UNOCAL 

CONDENSATE ACCOUNTING SCHEMATIC

RINCON UNIT # 1-E

RIO ARriba COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

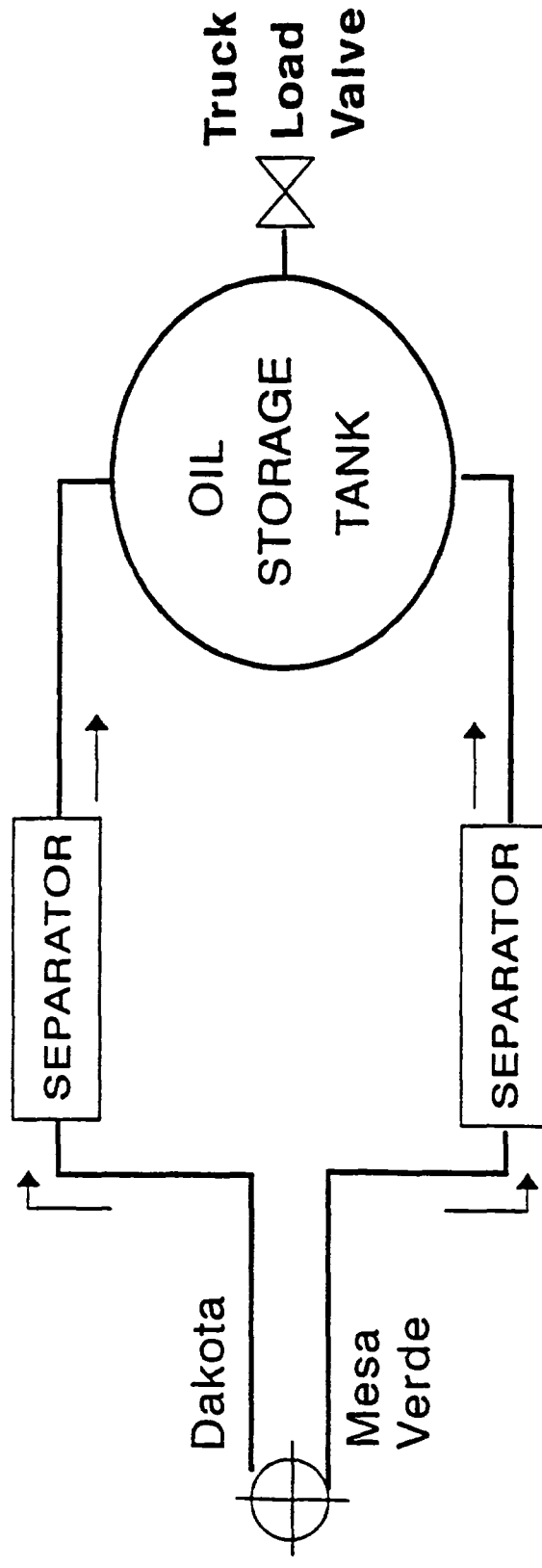


EXHIBIT NO #3

LEASE DISCRIPTION

| FEDERAL LEASE | # ACRES | DESCRIPTION |
|---------------|---------|------------------------|
| SF - 079364 | 2605.33 | SEC.s 28, 29, 30, & 31 |

OTHER WELLS ON LEASE # SF - 079364

| WELL # | PRODUCING ZONE | LOCATION | WELL STATUS |
|--------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | DK | 990' FSL 990' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 4 | PC | 1529' FSL 990' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 9 | PC | 1495' FNL 1640' FWL Sec. 31 | Producing |
| 19 | PC | 1650' FNL 990' FWL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 28 | PC | 1080' FNL 1650' FEL Sec. 29 | P & A |
| 48 | PC | 800' FNL 1500' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 49 | PC | 1050' FNL 1650' FEL Sec. 31 | Producing |
| 50 | PC | 620' FSL 990' FWL Sec. 31 | Producing |
| 61 | PC | 1058' FNL 1088' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 62 | PC | 1024' FSL 990' FEL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 127 | DK | 1190' FNL 890' FEL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 128 | DK | 1600' FSL 990' FWL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 128 | MV | 1600' FSL 990' FWL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 129 | DK | 1650' FSL 1840' FWL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 129 | MV | 1650' FSL 1840' FWL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 135-A | DK | 1840' FNL 870' FWL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 135-A | PC | 1840' FNL 870' FWL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 135 | DK | 1160' FNL 1750' FEL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 135 | MV | 1160' FNL 1750' FEL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 145 | TD | 1650' FSL 1040' FEL Sec. 27 | Disconnected |
| 149 | DK | 1100' FSL 1750' FWL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 149 | MV | 1100' FSL 1750' FWL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 153 | PC | 890' FNL 890' FEL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 154 | PC | 1190' FSL 1750' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |
| 163 | PC | 1180' FSL 800' FWL Sec. 29 | Producing |
| 176 | DK | 990' FNL 1180' FEL Sec. 31 | Producing |
| 183 | DK | 1697' FSL 1460' FWL Sec. 31 | Producing |
| 197 | PC | 1460' FSL 1760' FWL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 251 | FC | 605' FNL 2385' FWL Sec. 28 | Producing |
| 258 | FC | 1505' FNL 915' FEL Sec. 17 | Producing |
| 265 | DK | 1380' FNL 1842' FEL Sec. 30 | Producing |

EXHIBIT No. 4
CONDENSATE
ALLOCATION CALCULATIONS

1) Production Test completed on both zones, yields:

Mesa Verde Test Rate = R_1 (BPD)

Dakota Test Rate = R_2 (BPD)

2) Days On / Month

Mesa Verde Days On = A

Dakota Days On = B

3) i) Actual Total Monthly Gauge Volume: G (BPM)

ii) Calculated Individual Volumes:

Mesa Verde = $R_1 \times A$

Dakota = $R_2 \times B$

Total Volume = $R_1(A) + R_2(B)$

4) Allocation Factor (AF):

$$AF = \frac{G}{R_1(A) + R_2(B)}$$

5) Corrected Allocation Volumes:

Mesa Verde = $AF \times R_1(A)$

Dakota = $AF \times R_2(B)$