State of New Mexico





Commissioner of Public Lands

SLO REF NO. OG-485

P.O. BOX 1148 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

February 29, 1988

Tenneco Oil Exploration & Production ATTN: Mr. Todd J. Stevens 7990 IH 10 West San Antonio, Texas 78230

Re: Kemnitz Wolfcamp and Cisco Surface Commingling Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This office is in receipt of your letter of February 1, 1988. In your letter you have requested an exception to NMOCD Rule 303-A to permit surface commingling of the Kemnitz Wolfcamp and the Kemnitz Cisco oil production into common production facilities.

Our records indicate that the N/2 of Section 25, E/2E/2 Sec. 26-T16S-33E, and All Sec. 30-16S-34E are within the Kemnitz-Wolfcamp Pool Unit Agreement.

It is our interpretation of Article I (b) of the above mentioned unit agreement, that unit production only be allocated from the Kemnitz Wolfcamp Pool and reads as follows: "... it being expressly understood that the Wolfcamp Formation being unitized hereby meither includes the formation from which the Tennessee Gas Transmission Company's Well No. 6 located in Section 3D, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. is currently producing (knowr as the Upper Wolfcamp formation), nor the formation from which the Pure Oil Company's Well No. 1 situated in Section 21, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. and the Tennessee Gas Transmission Company's Well No. 2 located in the NW/4 of Section 21, Township 16 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. are currently producing (kmown as the Cisco formation)."

In view of the above, we regret to inform you that your proposed request for surface commingling can not be approved as submitted.

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Enclosed you will find a copy of New Mexico State Land Office Rule Nos. 1.053 thru 1.055 regarding commingling and off lease storage of oil and gas on state trust lands.

If we may be of further help please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM R. HUMPHRIES COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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cc: OCD-Santa Fe, New Mexico - Attn: Mr. David Catanach