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Synergy Operating, LLC P. O. Box 5513 Farmington, New Mexico 87402 Attn: Patrick G. Hegarty

RE:

Wellbore & Production Testing Conoco Carson 29-04-24 #4H T29N, R4W, Sec. 24: S/2 Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Pat:

Per our earlier discussions, Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc. ("BHEP") has encountered difficulties in the re-entry of the captioned wellbore. After having milled a window in the casing of the existing wellbore, BHEP has lost the drill bit and a portion of the drill string in the lateral portion of the wellbore in the Pictured Cliffs formation. A review of the wellbore schematic has revealed that the window was inadvertently cut in a portion of the Fruitland Coal and that some portion of the Fruitland may be open in the wellbore along with more than 1,000' of the Pictured Cliffs in which the drill string is currently located (and stuck).

BHEP would like to test the wellbore to determine whether or not the well is capable of producing at sustained economic rates. Data from the well obtained during drilling indicate that the gas is being produced from fractures in the Pictured Cliffs formation, but BHEP plans to test the gas from the well to determine its origin. Inasmuch as Synergy Operating, LLC is the owner of the Fruitland rights in the underlying lease and subject wellbore, BHEP respectfully requests that Synergy concur with the testing of the wellbore to determine commerciality and gas origin.

Richard White, senior geologist for BHEP, has forwarded to Tom Mullins with Synergy via email all of the data from the captioned well and the Conoco Carson 29-04-11 #2H well recently reentered by BHEP. Enclosed with this package, per your past requests, are two (2) copies of the recorded Assignment and Bill of Sale from Synergy into BHEP. Please advise should you need any additional information.

If you concur with the plan of action for this well in the short term, please so indicate by executing a copy of this letter and returning the same to Black Hills care of the undersigned. At such time

as we have gathered additional information, we will re-visit the situation with Synergy in order to protect your correlative rights.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. Please contact me at either 720-210-1315 or 303-204-1258 should you have any questions or concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

BLACK HILLS EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION, INC.

Jim Bob Byrd Sr. Landman

CONCURRENCE TO PRODUCTION TEST THE CONOCO CARSON 29-04-24 #4H GRANTED THIS ______, 2006.

SYNERGY OPERATING, LLC

Patrick & Hegarty

CC:

Bureau of Land Management/Steve Mason



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ANALYSIS NO.

MA260163

CUST. NO.

51100 - 12055

WELL/LEASE INFORMATION

CUSTOMER NAME

BLACK HILLS E & P/MALLON

WELL NAME

FIELD

CARSON 29-04-24 #4

COUNTY/ STATE LOCATION

RIO ARRIBA N24-29N-04W

PC LATERAL

NM

SOURCE PRESSURE N/A

Y

12 PSI G N/A DEG.F

SAMPLE TEMP **WELL FLOWING**

DATE SAMPLED

6/6/2006

SAMPLED BY

BOB DURBIN

FOREMAN/ENGR.

REMARKS

FORMATION

CUST.STN.NO.

DEPTH-WINDOW IN 7" CASING

3660'-3681'

ANALYSIS

COMPONENT	MOLE %	GPM**	B.T.U.*	SP.GR *
NITROGEN	0.316	0.0000	0.00	0.0031
CO2	0.989	0.0000	0.00	0.0150
METHANE	89.156	0.0000	902.53	0.4939
ETHANE	6.479	1.7318	114.92	0.0673
PROPANE	1.570	0.4323	39.60	0.0239
I-BUTANE	0.465	0.1521	15.16	0.0093
N-BUTANE	0.314	0.0990	10.27	0.0063
I-PENTANE	0.233	0.0853	9.34	0.0058
N-PENTANE	0.082	0.0297	3.29	0.0020
HEXANE PLUS	0.396	0.1742	20.36	0.0127
TOTAL	100.000	2.7043	1,115.47	0,6394

14.730 PSIA DRY & UNCORRECTED FOR COMPRESSIBILITY

** @ 14,730 PSIA & 60 DEG. F.

COMPRESSIBLITY FACTOR 1.0030 (1/Z)BTU/CU.FT (DRY) CORRECTED FOR (1/Z) 1.118.5 BTU/CU.FT (WET) CORRECTED FOR (1/Z) 1,099.9 **REAL SPECIFIC GRAVITY** 0.6410

ANALYSIS RUN AT

14.730 PSIA & 60 DEGREES F

DRY BTU @ 14.650	1,112.4	
DRY BTU @ 14.696	1,115.9	
DRY BTU @ 14.730	1,118.5	
DRY BTU @ 15.025	1,140.9	

CYLINDER# CYLINDER PRESSURE 4167 12 **PSIG**

6/6/2006

ANALYSIS RUN BY

DATE RUN

DAWN BLASSINGAME

BLACK HILLS E & P/MALLON WELL ANALYSIS COMPARISON

LEASE : STN.NO. :

CARSON 29-04-24 #4

N/A

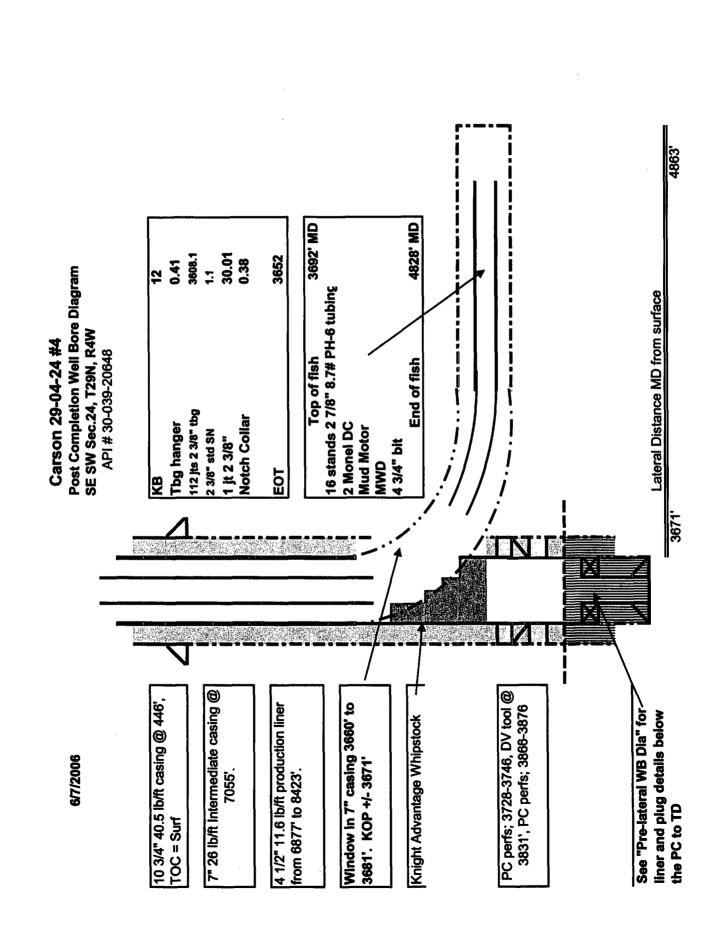
PC LATERAL

6/7/2006 51100 -

12055

MTR.NO.:

SMPL DATE TEST DATE RUN NR.	6/6/2006 6/6/2006 MA260163
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Carson 29-04-24 #4H

Pre-lateral Wellbore Diagram

API # 30-039-20648

UNIT N SE SW, Sec 24, T29N, R04W Rio Arriba, NM Spud 12-28-1973

Elev. GL= 7012' Elev. KB= 7025'

