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February 11, 2010

Mr. William V. Jones PE New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1200 South St. Francis Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re:

Consent to Commingle Production

Jic 458-6 06

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Jones,

It is the wish of Black Hills Gas Resources, Inc. to commingle production from several potential gas producing formations. The correlative rights within these commingled formations remain the same. The formations being commingled under this well are:

Pictured Cliffs Formation San Jose - Ojo Alamo Formation

Black Hills appreciates your consideration of this request and looks forward to a favorable approval. Should you have any questions or comments with this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David C. Thornquist

Landman



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February 25, 2010

Richard Ezeanyim Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Surface commingle of wells.

Dear Mr. Ezeanyim:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify a conversation between Will Jones and myself on January 12, 2010, regarding commingling production of individual wells at the surface.

Black Hills has a *Total Flow* meter at each well bore and this meter is calibrated regularly, depending on how much the well is capable of producing i.e. if the volume exceeds 100 MCF per day the calibration is quarterly. All royalties are calculated and paid at that point. Up till now the well had the ability to produce from different pools that were completed within the well bore. The correlative rights in the well bore are identical. However surface commingling had not taken place. The well has been produced either up the casing annulus or the tubing string, but not both. Therefore Black Hills has begun surface commingling (see attachment) as directed by Mr. Jones in an e-mail received January 12, 2010, and is submitting documentation required by Mr. Jones.

I would like to thank the staff at the Oil Conservation Division for their prompt and professional manner in dealing with this issue.

Please do not hesitate to call me in the event of any questions.

Sincerely,

Alan Vrooman

Senior Permitting Coordinator

Black Hills Exploration & Production

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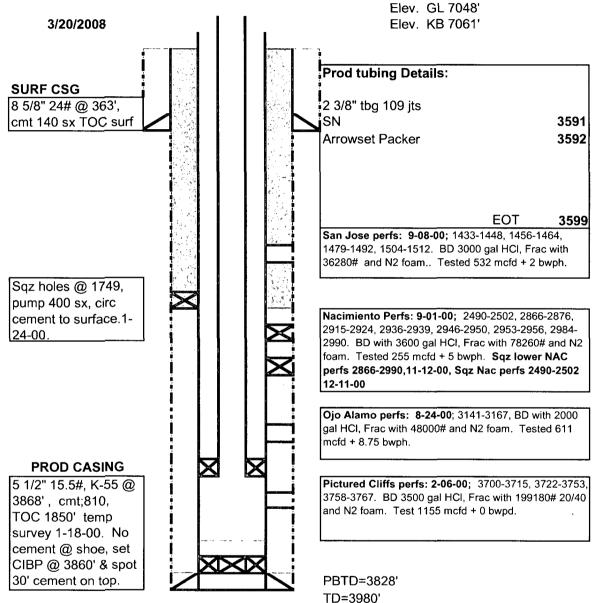
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| Submit 3 Copies To Appropriate District Office | State of New Mexico | | Form C-103 |
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| District I | Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources | | June 19, 2008 |
| 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 | | WELL API NO. | |
| District II 1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, NM 88210 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION | | 30-039-25973 | |
| District III 1220 South St. Francis Dr | | 5. Indicate Type of Lease STATE FEE | |
| 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 District IV Santa Fe, NM 87505 | | 6. State Oil & Gas Lease No. | |
| 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM | | Contract 458 | |
| 87505 | | | 7. Lease Name or Unit Agreement Name |
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| PROPOSALS.) | PROPOSALS.) | | |
| 1. Type of Well: Oil Well Gas Well Other | | Jicarilla 458-06 #6 | |
| 2. Name of Operator | | 9. OGRID Number | |
| Black Hills Gas Resources | | | 013925 |
| 3. Address of Operator 3200 N 1 st St / P.O. Box 249 | | 10. Pool name or Wildcat | |
| 3200 N 1 St / P.O. Box 249 Bloomfield, NM 87413 | | East Blanco Pictured Cliffs | |
| 4. Well Location | | Cabresto Canyon Tertiary | |
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| Section 6 Township 30N | | Rio Arriba | |
| 11. Elevation (Show whether DR, RKB, RT, GR, etc.) | | | 2.) |
| 7,049' GL | | | |
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| 12. Check Ap | propriate Box to Indicate N | ature of Notice | , Report or Other Data |
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| 13. Describe proposed or completed operations. (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date | | | |
| of starting any proposed work). SEE RULE 1103. For Multiple Completions: Attach wellbore diagram of proposed completion | | | |
| or recompletion. | | | |
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| Black Hills Gas Resources intends to surface commingle the East Blanco Pictured Cliff and the Cabresto Canyon Tertiary for the | | | |
| subject well. The correlative rights in the well bore are identical. | | | |
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Jicarilla 458-06 #6 Wellbore Diagram

API # 30-039-25973

NW SE Sec 6, T30N, R3W Rio Arriba, NM

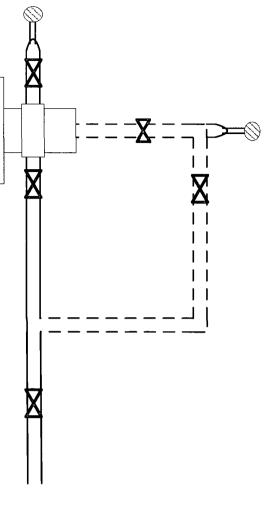


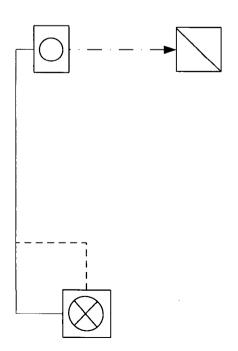
Black Hills Exploration and Production Surface Commingling Diagram

Well NameJicarilla 458-6 #6Township30 NRange3 WSectionNW SE 6

LocationRio Arriba County, NMLatitudeN 36.83748LongitudeW 107.18823

API # 300392597300





Aerial View of Surface Facilities

Jones, William V., EMNRD

From: Jones, William V., EMNRD

Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 12:23 PM

To: Sharp, Karen, EMNRD; Perrin, Charlie, EMNRD

Cc: Brooks, David K., EMNRD; Ezeanyim, Richard, EMNRD; 'Mike Pippin' Subject: Black Hills Commingling production on the Jicarilla Tribal Lands

Hello Karen or Charlie:

To comply with the open records act, would you please print this email and save it in the "Black Hills" company file – we don't have those here.

Then please forward this email to the appropriate Black Hills person. Alan called this morning and I can't seem to get him on the phone.

Alan:

I ran this by Richard E., Terry Warnell, and our attorney David Brooks.

We understand you have DHC permits in place and a Total Flow (sales gas meter) on each well and these are all Tribal wells operated (100% WI) by Black Hills with identical royalty ownership between Pools.

Please commence production as soon as is practical from all completed Pools in wells that have a DHC order approved and in order to ensure correlative rights are protected and our rules are followed....submit the following information to this office by March 1, 2010. This data will be copied and placed in the well files or DHC permit files for each well involved.

- a. Send a cover letter addressed to the Engineering Bureau in Santa Fe stating the overall ownership situation on the Jicarilla and that these Total Flow gas meters are installed on all wells and these meters are considered to be "sales" meters for purposes of royalty payments.
- b. Send a list of all the wells involved including each API number and each DHC permit number for each well. List the Pool Names approved for commingling in the DHC permit and what percentage allocation you are approved to use.
- c. Send another letter signed by a Landman or Attorney stating the ownership situation between the completed Pools in each well. If ownership is identical (ORRI, RI, WI the same) between Pools, have that stated and the letter signed. You can send in only one letter and just list the identically owned wells/pools within that letter.

If in this investigation, your landman finds differing overrides or differing WI from any Pool completed in any of these wells, please prepare diversely owned surface commingle application for each diverse well, send out notices, and send the application in to Santa Fe for approval.

If you have wells not yet covered by DHC orders and are completed as duals or triples, then you could apply for a surface commingle permit on those – most likely under category: "identically owned Pool Commingles".

Regards,

William V. Jones PE New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Santa Fe, NM 87505 505-476-3448

Tracking: