

# ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



BRUCE KING GOVERNOR ANITA LOCKWOOD CABINET SECRETARY 2040 S. PACHECO SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505 (505) 827-7131

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-1055

Meridian Oil Inc.
P. O. Box 4289
Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289

Attention: Brian P. Ault

Jicarilla "89" No. 6 Unit D, Section 13, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Blanco-Mesaverde and Gavilan-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pools

Dear Mr. Ault:

Reference is made to your recent application for an exception to Rule 303-A of the Division Rules and Regulations to permit the subject well to commingle production from both pools in the wellbore.

It appearing that the subject well qualifies for approval for such exception pursuant to the provisions of Rule 303-C, and that reservoir damage or waste will not result from such downhole commingling, and correlative rights will not be violated thereby, you are hereby authorized to commingle the production as described above and any Division Order which authorized the dual completion and required separation of the two zones is hereby placed in abeyance.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 303-C-4., total commingled oil production from the subject well shall not exceed 40 barrels per day, and total water production shall not exceed 80 barrels per day. The maximum amount of gas which may be produced daily from the well shall be determined by Division Rules and Regulations or by the gas allowable for each respective prorated pool as printed in the Division's San Juan Basin Gas Proration Schedule.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 303-C, the supervisor of the Aztec District Office of the Oil Conservation Division shall determine the proper allocation of production from the subject well following its completion.

Pursuant to Rule 303-C-5, the commingling authority granted by the order may be rescinded by the Division Director if, in his opinion, conservation is not being best served by such commingling.

Approved at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 9th day of November, 1994.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMA

Director

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WJL/DC/kv

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

Bureau of Land Management -Farmington

#### Ernie Busch

From:

Ernie Busch

To:

David Catanach

Subject:

MERIDIAN OIL INC (DHC)

Date:

Wednesday, November 02, 1994 12:30PM

Priority:

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JICARILLA 89 #6 D-13-27N-03W JICARILLA 94 #3A C-22-27N-03W JICARILLA 95 #2A O-25-27N-03W JICARILLA 95 #6A J-36-27N-03W

RECOMMEND: APPROVAL

September 16, 199 DECEIVED

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Mr. Bill LeMay P.O. Box 2088 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501

OIL CON. DIV.

RE:

Jicarilla 89, 94 and 95 Leases

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Rio Arriba County, New Mexico Downhole Commingling Request

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Meridian Oil Inc. is applying for an administrative downhole commingling order for the referenced wells in the Gavilan Pictured Cliffs and the Blanco Mesaverde fields. The ownership of the zones to be commingled is common. All offset interest owners shown on the attached plats and the Bureau of Land Management will receive notice of this commingling application.

The Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs wells in this area are marginal economic producers based on current rates of 10-90 MCFD for each zone. The projects are economic when commingled due to savings realized on surface facilities and tubulars. The only economical way to recover the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs reserves identified on the lease is to downhole commingle production from both zones in the wells proposed.

In the Pictured Cliffs pay adds to existing Mesaverde wells it is proposed to set a bridge plug above the Mesaverde formation, perforate and stimulate the Pictured Cliffs and test its production. The bridge plug will then be removed, and both zones produced through a single string of tubing. In the Mesaverde/Pictured Cliffs new drills, it is proposed to complete the Mesaverde formation and test its production, then set a bridge plug above the Mesaverde, perforate and stimulate the Pictured Cliffs, and test its production. The bridge plug will then be removed, and both zones produced through a single string of tubing. The reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste will not be caused by the proposed commingling. The fluids in the two reservoirs are compatible and no precipitates will be formed to cause damage to either reservoir (see attached fluid analyses and compatibility tests, completed for prior commingling on the Jicarilla 94 and 95 leases). The shutin pressure for the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs are 550 and 490 psi, respectively.

The allocation of the commingled production will be calculated using flow tests from the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs during completion operations, and the surrounding production history from both producing intervals. Meridian will consult with the district supervisor of the Aztec NMOCD office for approval of the allocation.

Approval of this commingling application will allow for the prevention of wasted resources and the protection of correlative rights. The Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs are commingled in nine other wells in this township as per NMOCD Order #'s R-5350 (01/17/77), R-6004 (05/02/79), DHC-924 and DHC-925 (09/27/93), DHC-984, 985, 986, 987, 988 (2/18/94). Two of these wells (DHC-924, 925) are completed, waiting on hook-up while seven (R-5350, -6004, DHC-984, 985, 986, 987, 988) are producing with no adverse affects from the commingling. Included with this letter are plats showing ownership of offsetting leases for both formations, copies of letters to offset operators and the Bureau of Land Management, and a detailed report of fluid compatibility.

Sincerely,

S. P. Ault

Brian P. Ault

Production Engineer

BPA/rjp

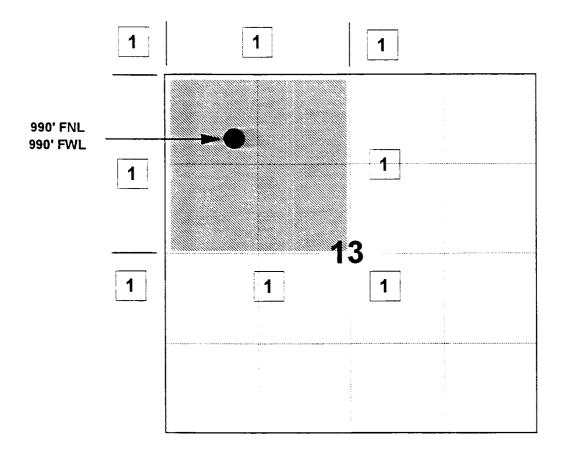
Attachments

xc: Frank T. Chavez - NMOCD/Aztec

# JICARILLA 89 #6

## OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT

# Mesaverde / Pictured Cliffs Commingle Well

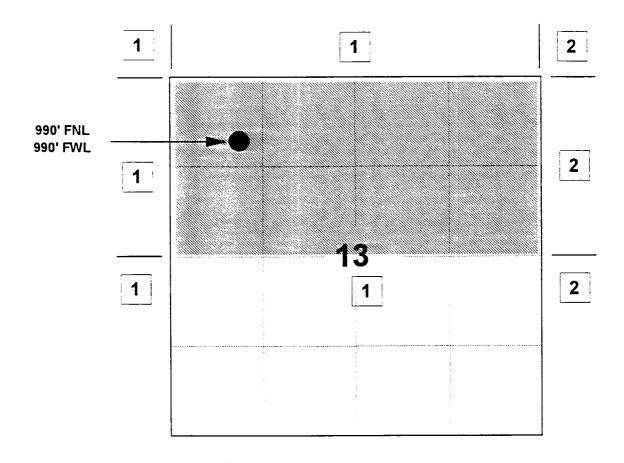


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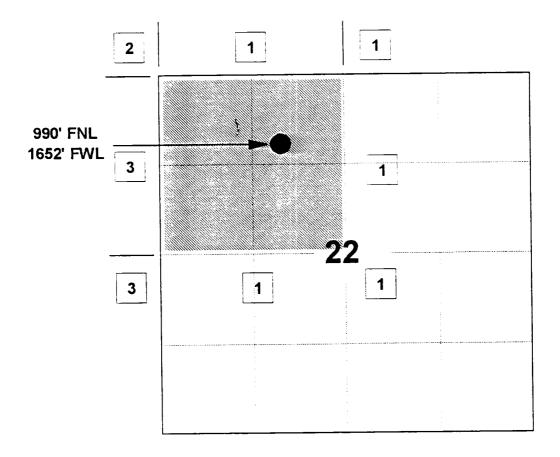
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2) Jicarilla Apache Tribe	PO Box 167, Dulce, NM 87528

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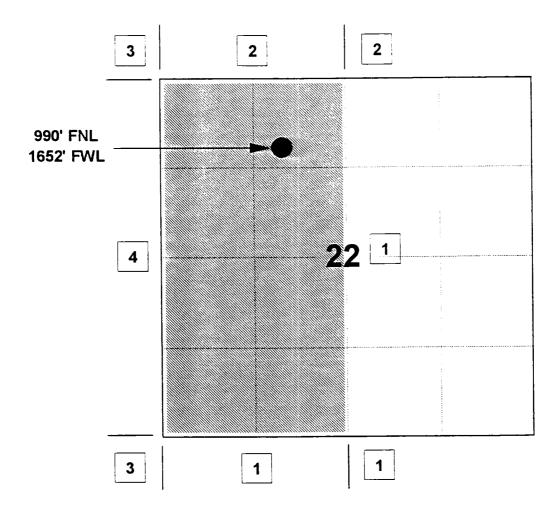
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1) Meridian Oil Inc	
2) Williams Production Company	PO Box 58900, Salt Lake City, UT 84158-0900
3) Nassau Resources	650 South Cherry, Suite 1225, Denver, CO 80222

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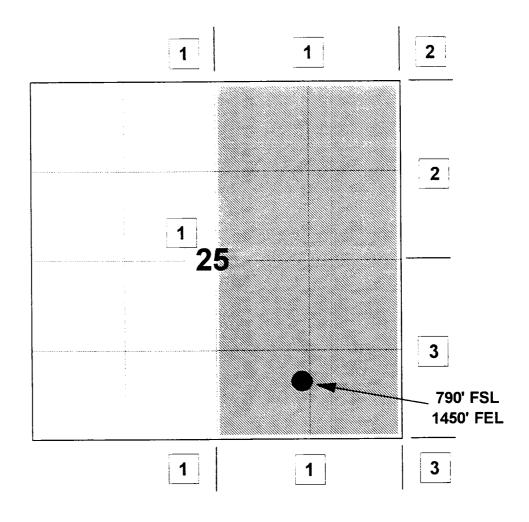
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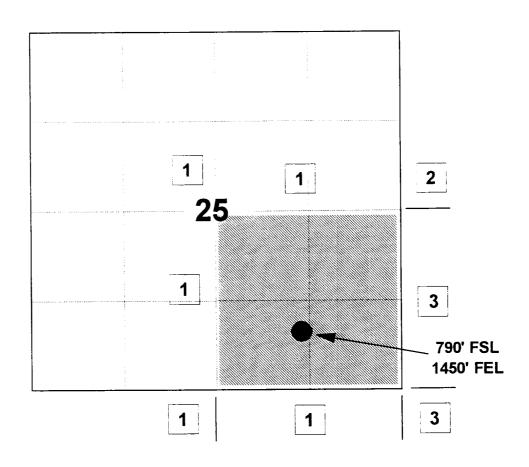
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1) Meridian Oil Inc	
2) En Re Corp	4940 Broadway, Suite 200, San Antonio, TX 78209
3) Jicarilla Apache Tribe	PO Box 167, Dulce, NM 87528

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Mesaverde / Pictured Cliffs Commingle Well



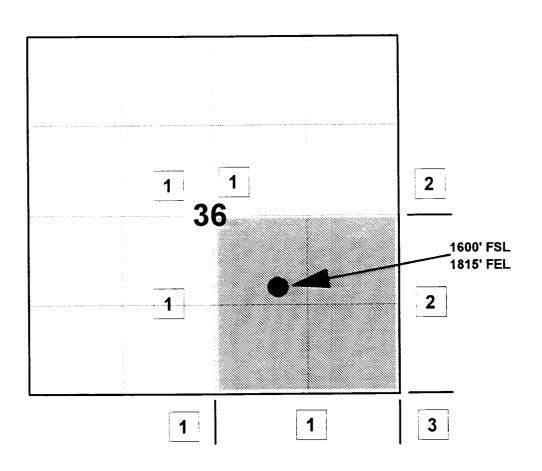
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# **JICARILLA 95 #6A**

### **OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT**

# **Pictured Cliffs / Mesaverde Formation Commingle**

Township 27 North, Range 3 West



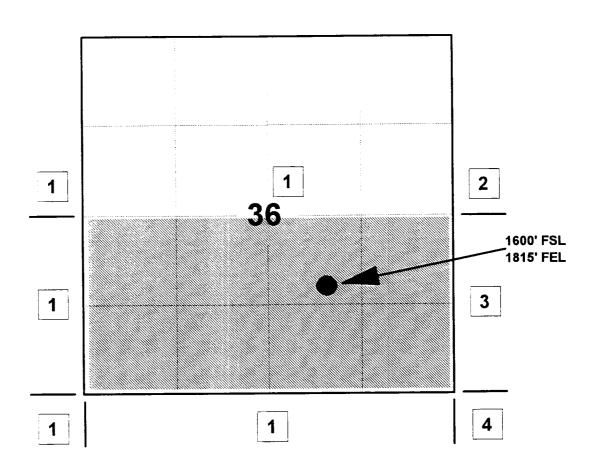
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**Pictured Cliffs Formation** 

# JICARILLA 95 #6A

## **OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT**

## **Pictured Cliffs / Mesaverde Formation Commingle**



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2) Jicarilla Apache Tribe	PO Box 167, Dulce, NM 87528
3) Jicarilla Apache Tribe	&
Jicarilla Energy Compan	y, Attn: Thurman Velarde, PO Box 507, Dulce, NM 87528
4) William A. Gallaway	3005 Northridge Dr., Ste 1, Farmington, NM 87401 &
Nassau Resources	650 South Cherry, Suite 1225, Denver, CO 80222
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JICARILLA 98 AND 96 LEASE RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NM MESA VERDE/PICTURED CLIFFS FORMATION



## LABORATORY INVESTIGATION

PREPARED FOR

MR. BRIAN AULT PRODUCTION ENGINEER

SERVICE POINT FARMINGTON, NM (505) 327-6222 PREPARED BY LOREN DIEDE / DAVE COLESON DISTRICT ENGINEER FARMINGTON

MARCH 25, 1993

FM020658

March 25, 1993

Meridian Oil Jicarilla 96 #2 Jicarilla 98 #5

Three samples from Jicarilla 96 #2 (1 oil, 2 water) and two samples from Jicarilla 98 #5 (2 condensates) were submitted for analysis on March 19, 1993 by Mr. Lesley K. Smith, Senior Reservoir Engineer for Meridian Oil.

These samples were to be analyzed to determine if commingling of each of the well products would have adverse efforts on well production.

#### Samples submitted were:

- 1. Jicarilla 96 #2
  - a. Mesa Verde oil
  - b. Mesa Verde water
  - c. Pictured Cliffs water
- 2. Jicarilla 98 #5
  - a. Mesa Verde condensate
  - b. Pictured Cliffs condensate

#### Lab analysis performed:

- 1. Oil, condensate analysis
  - a. API gravity
  - b. Pour point
  - c. Cloud point
- 2. Water analysis
  - a. API water analysis
- Observation and analysis of commingled oil, condensate and water as applicable for well.

Meridian Oil Jicarilla 96 #2

Mesa Verde produced oil

Appearance : Light, amber oil
API gravity @ 60 degrees F : 58.2
Cloud point : 0 degrees C
Pour point : < -10 degrees C

Pictured Cliffs / Mesa Verde produced water Combined (using high shear) with Mesa Verde produced oil (50:50 mix of waters and oil).

Appearance : Cloudy, amber emulsion
Separation : Beginning on cessation of shear
Precipitation : None observed
Separation @ time : At 1 hour - complete

#### Summary of results:

No precipitation or other observed adverse reaction from combined waters or from combination of the oil and waters.

Analysis forms follow.

Dave Coleson



# The Western Company of North America 3250 South Side River Road

3250 South Side River Road
Farmington. New Mexico 87401
Phone (505)327-6222
Fax (505)327-5766

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Please refer any questions to: Loren Diege-District Engineer Thank you.



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Date 3/22/93 M13193

Rocky Mountain Region

#### THE WESTERN COMPANY

Oil Analysis

Operator NORDIAN	Date Sampled	
•	Date Received MAR. 18/93	
Well Vic 96 #2	Date Received MAR. 18/12	
Field	Submitted By	
Formation MESA VERDE	Worked By DC	
Depth	Sample Description	
County Rio ARRIBA	LIGHT, AMBER LIGUID	
State <i>N.M</i>		
API Gravity <u>58.2</u> ° at 60°F		
Paraffin Content% by weight		
Asphaltene Content% by weight		
Pour Point°F		
Cloud Point°F		
Comments:		
568 @ 46° F		

Meridian Oil Jicarilla 98 #5

#### Results of analysis: Pictured Cliffs produced condensate:

Appearance : Light, clear oil
API gravity @ 60 degrees F : 61.3 @ 60 degrees F
Cloud point : < -8 degree C
Pour point : < -8 degrees C

#### Mesa Verde produced condensate:

Appearance : Light, clear liquid
API gravity @ 60 degrees F : 62.6 @ 60 degrees F
Cloud point : < -8 degree C
Pour point : < -8 degrees C

# Commingled Pictured Cliffs and Mesa Verde condensates:

Appearance : Light, clear liquid
API gravity @ 60 degrees F : 59.6 @ 60 degrees F
Cloud point : < -8 degree C
Pour point : < -8 degrees C

Pour point

#### Summary of results:

The mixture of the two condensates displayed no adverse reaction regarding precipitation of solids.

Analysis	forms	follow:	
Analysis	done l	Dave Coleson	



Date 3/22/93 1/13093

Rocky Mountain Region

## THE WESTERN COMPANY

Oil Analysis

Operator MERIDIAN	Date Sampled 3/8/93	
Well < /2 98-5	Date Received 3/19/93	
Field	Submitted By	
Formation Mesa Verpe	Worked By	
Depth	Sample Description	
County Rio ARRIBA	CLEAR LIGHTD	
State 1/11	•	
API Gravity 62.6° at 60°F		
Paraffin Content% by weight		
Asphaltene Content% by weight		
Pour Point°F		
Cloud Point°F		
Comments:		

Analyst



Date 3/24/93 M1 32 93

Rocky Mountain Region

#### THE WESTERN COMPANY

Oil Analysis

Operator MERIDIAN	Date Sampled 3/8/93	
Well <u>le 98-5</u>	Date Received	
Field	Submitted By	
Formation MV/PC	Worked By	
Depth	Sample Description	
County Ro ARRIBA	BOTH CLEAR & LIGHT	
State		
API Gravity <u>H.6</u> ° at 60°F		
Paraffin Content% by weight		
Asphaltene Content% by weight		
Pour Point°F		
Cloud Point°F		
Comments: (20.5 a) 68°F	TO TO TO THE	
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Date 3/22/93 M13495

Rocky Mountain Region

#### THE WESTERN COMPANY

Oil Analysis

Operator MER DIAN	Date Sampled 3/8/93	
Well	Date Received 3/19/93	
Field	Submitted By	
Formation PRTURED CUFFS	Worked By	
Depth	Sample Description	
County RIO ARRIBA	CLEAR, LIGHT LAURD	
State NM		
API Gravity 61.3° at 60°F		
Paraffin Content% by weight		
Asphaltene Content% by weight		
Pour Point°F		
Cloud Point°F		
Comments: 59.9 (D) 44		

Analyst\_\_\_\_

September 16, 1994

Bureau of Land Management Robert Kent 435 Montano NE Albuquerque, NM 87107

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**Production Engineering** 

BPA/rjp

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Date:

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Jicarilla Apache Tribe P.O. Box 167 Dulce, NM 87528

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The above downhole commingling request is hereby approved:

Date:

September 16, 1994

William A. Gallaway 3005 Northridge Drive, Suite 1 Farmington, NM 87401

RE:

Jicarilla 89, 94 and 95 Leases

**Downhole Commingling Request** 

- Jicarilla 89 #6
  Jicarilla 94 #3A
  Unit D, Section 13, T27N, R03W; PC add to existing MV well.
  Unit C, Section 22, T27N, R03W; PC add to existing MV well.
- Jicarilla 95 #2A
  Jicarilla 95 #6A
  Unit O, Section 25, T27N, R03W; MV/PC new drill.
  Unit J, Section 36, T27N, R03W; MV/PC new drill.

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Meridian Oil, Inc. is in the process of applying for a downhole commingling order for the referenced wells in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, in the Gavilan Pictured Cliffs and the Blanco Mesaverde fields.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of such action. If you have no objections to the proposed commingling order, we would appreciate your signing this letter and returning it to this office.

Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Brian P. Ault

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