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May 22, 1992

Mr. William J. LeMay
N. M. Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, N.M. 87501-2088

Re: Angel Peak #1 DK/Gal 1150' FSL; 1090' FWL Section 2, T27N R11W San Juan County, N. M.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Meridian Oil Inc. is applying for an administrative downhole commingling order for the referenced well in the Kutz Gallup and Basin Dakota fields. The ownership of the zones to be commingled is common. The offset operators and owners are Arco Oil and Gas Company, BHP Petroleum, Texaco Inc., Amoco Inc., Conoco Inc., and Meridian Oil. The Bureau of Land Management and these offset operators and owners will receive notification of this proposed downhole commingling.

This well has produced since 1960 from the Dakota interval. The Dakota experienced a normal production decline and is currently capable of producing 200 MCF/D & 1.0 BOPD. Its cumulative production is 6,228 MMCF & 56,758 BO as of January 1, 1992.

We propose to commingle the Dakota with the Gallup in this well. The Gallup is a very marginal producing interval and generally requires a pumping unit to lift the oil. The nearest offset, Pipkin #26 (E 12 27 11) initiated production at 8 BOPD and 75 MCF/D in 1989 and is currently capable of only 3 BOPD and 45 MCF/D. Commingling should enable the well to produce Gallup hydrocarbons without pumping equipment since the Dakota gas should be sufficient to lift the oil production. The small amount of oil and gas produced from the Gallup could not justify a drilling expenditure. Granting this application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and the protection of correlative rights.

We plan to commingle this well by pulling the Dakota tubing, perforating and stimulating the Gallup, and

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running a string of production tubing to the lower producing interval.

The reservoir characteristics of each of the subject zones are such that underground waste would not be caused by the proposed downhole commingling. The fluids from each zone are compatible and no precipitates will be formed to cause damage to either reservoir. See the attached fluid analyses from Hillside #1, a nearby Kutz Gallup-Basin Dakota well that was commingled on 12-17-91 (DHC-784) with no detrimental effects. The daily production will not exceed the limit of Rule 303c, Section 1a, Part 1.

The shut-in pressure for the Gallup is estimated to be 550 psi, and the Dakota shut-in pressure is 612 psi.

To allocate the commingled production to each of the zones, Meridian will consult with the District Supervisor of the Aztec District Office of the Division to determine an allocation formula for each of the productive zones. This will be done using flow tests from the Dakota and Gallup during recompletion operations.

Included with this letter is a plat showing ownership of offsetting leases, a copy of the letter to the offset operators and BLM, wellbore diagrams both before and after commingling, production curve for the Dakota, pertinent data sheet, and a detailed report of fluid compatibility.

Yours truly,

P. M. Pippin

Sr. Production Engineer

PMP:pmp

attachments

cc: Frank Chavez - OCD

#### Pertinent Data Sheet - ANGEL PEAK #1 DK

Location: 1150'FSL 1090' FWL, SEC. 2 T27N R11W, SAN JUAN COUNTY, N.M.

Field: Basin Dakota Elevation: 6051' TD: 6548'

10'KB PBTD: 6492'

DP#: 50373a GWI: 100.00% NRI: 87.50%

Completed: 9-12-60

Initial Potential:
AOF=18,155 MCF/D Q=8422 MCF/D

SIP:1929 PSI

Casing Record:

Hole Size	Csg. Size	Wt. & Grade	Depth Set	Cement	Top/Cmt
15-1/4"	10-3/4"	32.75# SW	294'	330 sx	CIR CMT/SURF.
6-1/4"	5-1/2"	15.5# J-55	6538′	290 sx	2981'@ 50% EFF.
		Stg tool @	2099′	84 sx *	1750' TS
		* Sto	g tool resq	100 sx	

<u>Tubing Record:</u> 2-3/8" 4.7# J-55 6444' 207 Jts S.N. @ 6410'

Formation Tops:

Ojo Alamo	800'	Menefee	3525'
Kirtland	880′	Point Lookout	4323'
Fruitland	1679 <i>'</i>	Gallup	5440'
Pictured Cliffs	18851	Greenhorn	62511
Cliffhouse	3544'	Graneros	6307'
Lewis	1964'	Dakota	6409'
Cliffhouse	3409'		

Logging Record: Induction Log, GR Forxo Log.

<u>Stimulation:</u> Sq DV tool w/100 sx cmt. Perf DK @ 6340'-44', 6354'-58', 6362'-66', 6370'-76', 6410'-16', 6420'-26', 6430'-38', 6445'-49', 6454'-49', 6454'-6462', & fraced w/60,000# sand in water. Found csg leak @ 48', pulled top 2 jts 5-1/2" csg, & replaced.

#### Workover History: None

<u>Production History:</u> 1st Delivery= 12-1-60. Dakota Cumulative= 6228 MMCF & 56,758 BO. Capacity = 200 MCF/D & 1 BOPD. Csg pressure = 442 psi. Tbg pressure = 399 psi. Bradenhead = open & dead.

Pipeline: EPNG

PMP

CROSS CAS (MCF/M)

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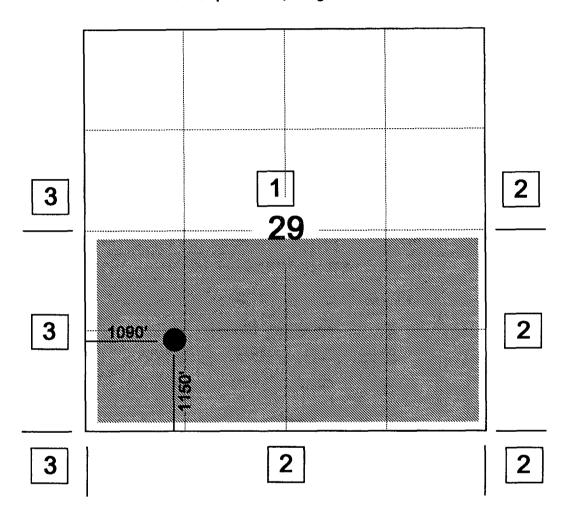
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# **MERIDIAN OIL INC**

# OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT

# Angel Peak #1 Gallup \ Dakota Commingle

Township 27 North, Range 11 West



1) Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc., PO Box 85771, Dallas, TX 75285	
Amoco Production Co., PO Box 800, Denver, CO 80202	
Conoco, Inc., PO Box 951063, Houston, TX 75395-1063	
2) BHP Petroleum, PO Box 845877, Dallas, TX 75284-5877	
3) ARCO, PO Box 688, Dallas, TX 75221	
Amoco Production Company	
Conoco, Inc.	

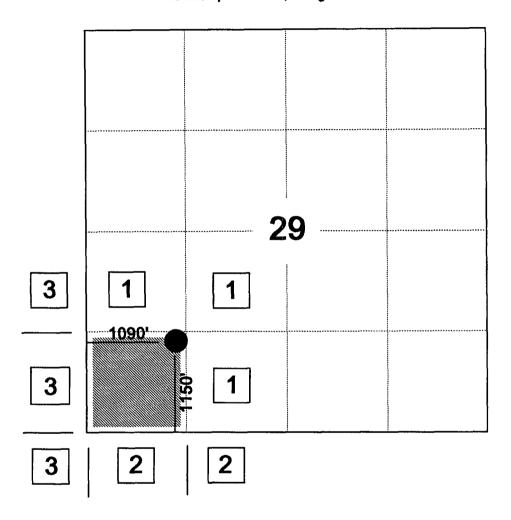
**Dakota Formation** 

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**Gallup Formation** 



MERIDIAN OIL HILLSIDE #1 - GALLUP HILLSIDE #1 - DAKOTA LEASE FLUIDS

#### LABORATORY INVESTIGATION

OF

# HILLSIDE DAKOTA AND GALLUP FLUIDS COMPATIBILITY OCTOBER 25, 1990

PREPARED FOR:

PREPARED BY:

MERIDIAN OIL, INC MIKE PIPPIN PETROLEUM ENGINEER BRIAN P. AULT PETROLEUM ENGINEER WESTERN COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA

SERVICE POINT
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO
505-327-6222

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MERIDIAN OIL HILLSIDE #1 - GALLUP HILLSIDE #1 - DAKOTA LEASE FLUIDS

#### SUMMARY OF RESULTS

- 1. No precipitation of materials was observed from either admixture of fluids.
- 2. Emulsion testing was performed. There should be no serious concern over the formation of a stabilized emulsion at well bore temperatures.
- 3. The cloud point of oil mixtures dropped or remained the same upon mixing of fluids.
- 4. According to calculations not enough cool down from gas expansion will occur to alter paraffin deposition significantly.

On Thursday, October 25, 1990, a request for laboratory work was placed by Mike Pippin, Petroleum Engineer of Meridian Oil, Inc.

#### **PURPOSE**

Two oil samples were received of Mr. Pippin with the request we investigate the concern of potentially detrimental effects due to commingling of Gallup and Dakota fluids in the Hillside #1 wellbore.

#### INVESTIGATION

- 1. Background information current wellbore.
  - a. Figure 1
  - b. Figure 2
  - c. BHST Gradient: 1.375° f/100 ft.
  - d. Current production problems are primarily due to paraffin deposition from surface down to more/less 1000' depth.
  - e. Commingling Order Mixture Requirements:

The commingling requests present the mixing of Hillside #1 Dakota fluids with Hillside #1 Gallup fluids.

The tests performed simulated the mixture of fluids that may result from this commingling Each oil component was analyzed for API gravity, paraffin, pour point and cloud point. Each water component was analyzed for dissolved solids, pH, specific gravity and resistivity. The mixture of oils addressed the potential increase in precipitation of materials and the potential increase paraffin content by a synergistic effect of oils of different constitution. Emulsion tests simulated the mixing environment of the wellbore where the water component of a fluid could be tied up in a resulting emulsion without the ability to break out and separation of the oil and constituents. The emulsion test results

present the number of ml (% of mixture) of water breakout at listed time intervals. The volume of test sample (mixture) used in the emulsion tests is 100 ml.

- 2. Concerns to address in analysis:
  - a. The precipitation of materials produced by the admixture of oils of potentially different constitution.
  - b. The creation of emulsions due to the admixture of different fluids.
  - c. Increased paraffin deposition by additive properties of oils.
  - d. Increased paraffin deposition due to the reduction of temperature accompanying gas expansion.
- 3. Steps taken in analysis
  - a. API Analysis of oils including: API Gravity
    Pour Point
    Cloud Point
    Paraffin Content
  - b. Discussion with Mr. Pippen regarding the well bore production environment, e.g., mode of hydrocarbon production, pump type and operation, water components of production fluids, current paraffin problems, etc.
  - c. Mixing of oils in appropriate cases with additional cloud point testing to determine resulting fluid characteristics.
  - d. API Water Analysis
  - e. Emulsion tendency testing via mixing of fluids in appropriate cases.

### MERIDIAN OIL HILLSIDE #1 - GALLUP HILLSIDE #1 - DAKOTA LEASE FLUIDS

### DATA

SAMPLE #1 - HILLSIDE #1	
ZONE	GALLUP
API GRAVITY @ 60° F	34.59°
CLOUD POINT	>40D F*
POUR POINT	40D F
PARAFFIN CONTENT	3.95%
SAMPLE #2 - HILLSIDE #1	
ZONE	DAKOTA
API GRAVITY @ 60° F	58.02°
CLOUD POINT	28° F
POUR POINT	<23° F
PARAFFIN CONTENT	0%
SAMPLE #3 50:50 MIX OF HILLSIDE #1 FLUI	<u>os</u>
ZONE	50:50 MIX GAL/DK
API GRAVITY @ 60° F	39.94°
CLOUD POINT	>17°**
POUR POINT	<17° F
PARAFFIN CONTENT	1.94%
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HILLSIDE #1 - GALLUP
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# CALCULATIONS

Cool down effects due to gas expansion:

Reference: Perry's Handbook of Chemical Engineering

RE: Adiabatic Expansion of Etimne, Methane

$$T_s + T_r = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{P}{s} \\ P_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{K-1}{K} \end{pmatrix}$$
, where

T = Surface Temperature

 $T_r = Reservoir Temperature$ 

P = Surface Pressure

P<sub>r</sub> = Reservoir Pressure

K = Specific heat at constant pressure
Specific heat at constant volume

Assumed values for maximum cool down due to gas expansion:

T<sub>s</sub> = Unknown

$$T_r = 160^{\circ} F$$

$$P_s = 500 \text{ psi}$$

$$P_{r} = 2000 \text{ psi}$$

$$K = 1.2$$

$$T_s = 160 \ (\frac{500}{2000})$$
 0.1667

$$T_s = 127^{\circ} F$$

#### NOTE:

A total cooldown of 33° F would be expected

ANALYSIS NO	54-11-90
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FIELD	RECEIPT	NO

API FORM 45-1

### API WATER ANALYSIS REPORT FORM

Company	deridian oi		Sa	ımple No.	10-34-90
Field BASIN DAK	•	Legal Description Sec 9. TZ7N.	RIIW	Sau Juan	1
Lease or Unit	Weil	tilloide 1	Depth 5550 GAL 6560 PAK	Danota	Water, B/D
Type of Water Produce	r (Produced, Supply, §	etc.) Sampling		·	Sampled By M. Pipper

DISSOLVED SOLIDS  CATIONS mg/l me/l 36.33  Sodium, Na (cala.) 606 36.33  Calcium, Ca 16 .80  Magnesium, Mg 3 .90  Barium, Ba + 11 .38	pH Specific Gravity, 60/60 F. Resistivity (ohm-meters) 76 F. Total hardness 51
	WATER PATTERNS — me/l
Caloride, CI 554 15.63 Sulfata, SO <sub>4</sub> 37 .56 Carbonate, CO <sub>3</sub> 0 0 Bicarbonate, ECO <sub>3</sub> 698 11.44 OH 0 0	STANDARD  Na 20 10 0 10 29 C1  Ca 1111   111
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RIMARES & RECOMMENDATIONS:	

ANALYST: LLOO

THE WESTERN COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA, FARMINGTON. N (505) 327-6222

Please refer any questions to: BRIAN AULT . District Engineer

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API FORM 45-1

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#### API WATER ANALYSIS REPORT FORM

Company	Meridian	011			Sample No.	Date Sampled
Field BASIN DAKOT	al Kutz GALL	up   Sec 9	escription T27N.	RIIW	County or P Sour Ju	
Lease or Unit		Well HIIISK	de 1	Depth 5558	Formation GOIUP	Water, B/D
Type of Water	er (Produced, Su ED	pply, etc.)	Sampling	Point	·	Sampled By M. P. spen

DISSOLVED SOLIDS CATIONS Sodium. Na (calc.) Calcium. Ca Magnesium. Mg Barium. Ba Potassium. K	751	me/l 60.78 1.64 -96 	pH Specific Gravity, 60/60 F. Resistivity (ohm-meters) 76 F. Total hardness  130
ANIONS	<del>2</del> 058	58.04	WATER PATTERNS — me/l
Chloride, Cl Sulfate, SO <sub>4</sub>	0	0	STANDARD
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Bicarbonate, HCO <sub>3</sub> OH	0	0	
<u> </u>		<del></del>	Mg
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	-		00001
REMARKS & RECOMM	ENDATIONS:		_

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# The Western Company Oil Analysis

Operator Moridian Oil	Date Sampled		DH-90	
Well Hillside	Date Received_	10-	<u> 25-90</u>	
Field Kutz GALLYP	Submitted By	MIKE	Pippir	<u> </u>
Formation Gallup	Worked By	1766		
Depth 5550'	Sample Descrip	tion_	300 ml	Sample
County San Juan	W/ 17 %	free	HaO	<u>+</u>
State NM	83% br	OWN	011.	
API Gravity 34.59° at 60°F  *Paraffin Content 3.95 % by weight  *Asphaltene Content 7 by weight  Pour Point 40 °F  Cloud Point >40 °F				
Comments:	-			

unable to determine cloud point due to dark color of sample.

Analyst	100
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<sup>\*</sup>Report calculations and data on back.

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(wt. sample) <u>3.0368</u> 9
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After filtering:
wt. becker + paraffin residue 98.16
- wr. beaker (from above) 98.16 q
(wt. paraffin in beaker)
wt. funnel, glass, papers + paraffin residue 148.15
- wt. funnel, watch glass filter papers from above 148.079
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.08 Total paraffin x 100 = 3.95 %
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wc. tube + sample
- wt. tube
(wt. sample)
wt. tube & residue
- wt. tube -
(wt. residue)
Asphaltone content (%)
we. sample X 100 =

Analysis	No.	54-	09-	90
Date	10-27	0-90		•

# The Western Company

# Oil Analysis

Operator Moridian ()   Well Hillside    Field Basin Dakota  Formation Oakota  Depth 6550'	Date Sampled 10-24-90  Date Received 10-35-90  Submitted By MIKE PIPPIN  Worked By LACC  Sample Description 435 ml 54mple
County San Juan	w/ 4% free HaO + 96 %
State NM	clear yellowish brown oil
API Gravity 58.00° at 60°F	
*Paraffin Content	•
*Asphaltene Content % by weigh	it '
Pour Point < 23 °F	
Cloud Point <u>a8</u> °F	

Comments:

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+ wt. paraffin in others	
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tube	
wt. sample)	
z. tube & residue	
c. tube	
wr. residue)	
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## The Western Company

Oil Analysis

Operator Moridian Oil	Date Sampled 10-34-90
Well Hillside	Date Received 10-35-90
Field KUTZ GAllup/BASIN DAR.	
Formacion Gallup / Dahota	Worked By LLOO
Depth 5550'- 6550'	Sample Description 50/50 MIX
County San Juan	of Hillside 1 Callup oil
State NM	+ Hillside 1 Dakota oil.
API Gravity 39.94 ° at 60°F  *Paraffin Content 1.94 % by weight  *Asphaltene Content % by weight  Pour Point <17 °F  Cloud Point >17 °F	
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Analyst	llee

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	wt. paraffin in beaker O
	+ wt. paraffin in others
	Total paraffin grams
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<u> 40.</u>	Total preaffin x 100 = 1.94 %
3.060	X) Sample wt.
	Asphaltene Content
	wt. tube + sample
_	wt. tube
	(wt. sample)
	wt. tube & residue
-	wt. tube -
	(wt. residue)
	Asphaltone content (%)  wt. residue wt. sample  X 100 =

Paraffin Content

#### water Fig. 1 \*CTD-OIL EMULSION TESTS DATA SHEET

OPERATOR: MORIDIAN OIL

SUBMITTED BY: MIKE PIPPIN

50/50 mix of Gallup/ bakota fluids

war: Hillside 1

SOURCE OF SAMPLE: ADDUCED FIELD: Basin Dakota / Kutz GAHluf DATE SAMPLED: 10-24-90

Hillside I oil ar

FORMATION: Gallup/Dakota DATE RECEIVED: 10- 35-90

DEPTH: 5550 - 6550 '

AFI GRAVITY OF OIL: 39.9

COUNTY: Som Juan

#### water PERCENTAGE OF ORIGINAL AGES SEPARATED AT VARIOUS TIME INTERVALS AFTER EMULSIFYING

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- \* Preferencial verting of solids: OB=oil-wet bottom: OO=oil-wet oil phase: WB=water-wet bottom: WO=water-wet oil ph OI=oil-wet interface: WI=water-wet interface \*\* Interface: F=Fluid: S=Solid: V=Viscous
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  - \* 50 ml of the 50 ml water separated in 1 minute @ 78°F. Approximately aml of the 50 ml oil adhered to the side the water phase. In

May 22, 1992

BHP Petroleum P.O. Box 845877 Houston, Texas 75284-5877

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The purpose of this letter is to notify you of such action.

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Bureau of Land Management 1235 La Plata Hwy. Farmington, N. M. 87401

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### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

# OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410 (505) 334-6178

Date	2: May 27,92
P.0	Conservation Division Box 2088 ta Fe, NM 87504-2088
RE:	Proposed MC Proposed DHC Proposed NSL Proposed SWD Proposed WFX Proposed DD Proposed DD
	tlemen:
I ha	ave examined the application received on May 25,1992
for	the Meridian OPERATOR LEASE & WELL NO.
	and my recommendations are as follows:
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Your	rs truly,
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