

MERIDIAN OIL

January 19, 1994

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

RE: Jicarilla 98 Lease
• Jicarilla 98 #2A SE/4, Section 19, T26N, R03W
• Jicarilla 98 #3A SE/4, Section 20, T26N, R03W
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 Tapacito 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 plat 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. A reserve study in the area predicts an ultimate recovery of 775 MMCF for the Mesaverde and 700 MMCF for the Pictured Cliffs wells. These reserves and the low current producing rates are uneconomic as separate zone projects. 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.

It is proposed to complete the Mesaverde formation and test its production. It is then proposed to 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). The shut-in 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.

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 FORM: PICTURED CLIFFS
 LOCATION
 UNIT: A
 SEC: 19,20
 TWN: 26N
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7/64 JICARILLA 98 #7 47/850 [18]	MERIDIAN 6/61 JICARILLA 98 #2 72/858	4/69 JICARILLA 98 #9 57/859 [17]	11/57 JICARILLA 98 #6 30/1102	12/72 TRIBAL #4 81/655 [16]	9/71 TRIBAL #3 22/184
4/69 JICARILLA 98 #8 31/574 [19]	9/55 JICARILLA 98 #1 51/338 JICARILLA 98 #2A	9/57 JICARILLA 98 #3 40/740 [20]	10/57 JICARILLA 98 #5 79/697	12/70 TIGER #1 49/436 [21]	12/70 TIGER #2 44/284
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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 eight other wells in this township as per NMOCD Order #'s R-5350 (01/17/77), R-6004 (05/02/79), DHC-923, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930 (09/27/93). Six of these wells (DHC-) are completed, waiting on hook-up while two (R-5350, -6004) 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. P. Ault", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Brian P. Ault
Production Engineer

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Attachments

xc: Frank T. Chavez - NMOCD/Aztec

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<p>10/78 JICARILLA D #18 86/535 3/2</p> <p>[30]</p>	<p>NA JICARILLA D #17 46/224 5/1</p> <p>[29]</p> <p>11/72 JICARILLA D #11 71/598 1/3</p>	<p>7/57 JICARILLA 117E #5 48/993 5/4</p> <p>[28]</p> <p>7/82 JICARILLA #5A 71/201 4/1</p> <p>7/57 JICARILLA 117E #7 0/36 0/3 INA</p>

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**PICTURED CLIFFS/MESAVERDE COMMINGLE
TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST
OFFSET OPERATORS**

1. Meridian Oil Inc.
P.O. Box 4289
Farmington, NM 87499-4289
2. Consolidated Oil & Gas Inc.
410 17th Street, Suite 2300
Denver, CO 80202
3. Jerome P. McHugh
650 S. Cherry Street, Suite 1225
Denver, CO 80222
4. Dugan Production Corp.
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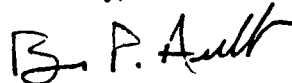
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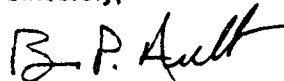
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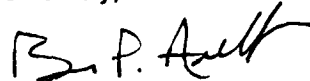
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