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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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1220 S. St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Re: Application of Mack Energy Corporation for approval of a salt water disposal well, Lea County, New Mexico.**

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

*Case 13220*

Enclosed in triplicate is the Application of Mack Energy Corporation in the above-referenced case as well as a copy of the legal advertisement. Mack Energy Corporation requests that this matter be placed on the docket for the February 19, 2004 Examiner hearings.

Very truly yours,

William F. Carr

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Ron Lanning  
Mr. Matt Brewer  
Mack Energy Corporation  
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Case 13220

**APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INJECT**

I. PURPOSE: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Recovery \_\_\_\_\_ Pressure Maintenance  Disposal \_\_\_\_\_ Storage  
Application qualifies for administrative approval?  Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

II. OPERATOR: Mack Energy Corporation

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 960, Artesia, NM 88211-0960

CONTACT PARTY: Jerry W. Sherrell PHONE: (505)748-1288

III. WELL DATA: Complete the data required on the reverse side of this form for each well proposed for injection.  
Additional sheets may be attached if necessary.

IV. Is this an expansion of an existing project? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes  No  
If yes, give the Division order number authorizing the project: \_\_\_\_\_

V. Attach a map that identifies all wells and leases within two miles of any proposed injection well with a one-half mile radius circle drawn around each proposed injection well. This circle identifies the well's area of review.

VI. Attach a tabulation of data on all wells of public record within the area of review which penetrate the proposed injection zone. Such data shall include a description of each well's type, construction, date drilled, location, depth, record of completion, and a schematic of any plugged well illustrating all plugging detail.

VII. Attach data on the proposed operation, including:

1. Proposed average and maximum daily rate and volume of fluids to be injected;
2. Whether the system is open or closed;
3. Proposed average and maximum injection pressure;
4. Sources and an appropriate analysis of injection fluid and compatibility with the receiving formation if other than reinjected produced water; and,
5. If injection is for disposal purposes into a zone not productive of oil or gas at or within one mile of the proposed well, attach a chemical analysis of the disposal zone formation water (may be measured or inferred from existing literature, studies, nearby wells, etc.).

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\*V111. Attach appropriate geologic data on the injection zone including appropriate lithologic detail, geologic name, thickness, and depth. Give the geologic name, and depth to bottom of all underground sources of drinking water (aquifers containing waters with total dissolved solids concentrations of 10,000 mg/l or less) overlying the proposed injection zone as well as any such sources known to be immediately underlying the injection interval.

IX. Describe the proposed stimulation program, if any.

\*X. Attach appropriate logging and test data on the well. (if well logs have been filed with the Division, they need not be resubmitted).

\*XI. Attach a chemical analysis of freshwater from two or more freshwater wells (if available and producing) within one mile of any injection or disposal well showing location of wells and dates samples were taken.

XII. Applicants for disposal wells must make an affirmative statement that they have examined available geologic and engineering data and find no evidence of open faults or any other hydrologic connection between the disposal zone and any underground sources of drinking water.

XIII. Applicants must complete the "Proof of Notice" section on the reverse side of this form.

XIV. Certification: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NAME: Mack C. Chase TITLE: President

SIGNATURE: *Mack C. Chase* DATE: 1/26/2004

\* if the information required under Sections VI, VIII, X, and XI above has been previously submitted, it need not be resubmitted. Please show the date and circumstances of the earlier submittal: \_\_\_\_\_

## II. WELL DATA

- A. The following well data must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. The data must be both in tabular and schematic form and shall include:
- (1) Lease name; Well No.; Location by Section, Township and Range; and footage location within the section.
  - (2) Each casing string used with its size, setting depth, sacks of cement used, hole size, top of cement, and how such top was determined.
  - (3) A description of the tubing to be used including its size, lining material, and setting depth.
  - (4) The name, model, and setting depth of the packer used or a description of any other seal system or assembly used.
- Division District Offices have supplies of Well Data Sheets which may be used or which may be used as models for this purpose. Applicants for several identical wells may submit a "typical data sheet" rather than submitting the data for each well.
- B. The following must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. All items must be addressed for the initial well. Responses for additional wells need be shown only when different. Information shown on schematics need not be repeated.
- (1) The name of the injection formation and, if applicable, the field or pool name.
  - (2) The injection interval and whether it is perforated or open-hole.
  - (3) State if the well was drilled for injection or, if not, the original purpose of the well.
  - (4) Give the depths of any other perforated intervals and detail on the sacks of cement or bridge plugs used to seal off such perforations.
  - (5) Give the depth to and the name of the next higher and next lower oil or gas zone in the area of the well, if any.

## XIV. PROOF OF NOTICE

All applicants must furnish proof that a copy of the application has been furnished, by certified or registered mail, to the owner of the surface of the land on which the well is to be located and to each leasehold operator within one-half mile of the well location.

Where an application is subject to administrative approval, a proof of publication must be submitted. Such proof shall consist of a copy of the legal advertisement which was published in the county in which the well is located. The contents of such advertisement must include:

- (1) The name, address, phone number, and contact party for the applicant;
- (2) The intended purpose of the injection well; with the exact location of single wells or the Section, Township, and Range location of multiple wells;
- (3) The formation name and depth with expected maximum injection rates and pressures; and,
- (4) A notation that interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing with the Oil Conservation Division, 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, within 15 days.

**NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON THE APPLICATION UNTIL PROPER PROOF OF NOTICE HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.**

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**NOTICE:** Surface owners or offset operators must file objections or requests for hearing of administrative applications within 15 days from the date this application was mailed to them.

INJECTION WELL DATA SHEET

OPERATOR: Mack Energy Corporation

WELL NAME & NUMBER: Federal 18 #2

WELL LOCATION: 1980 FNL & 2039 FWL FOOTAGE LOCATION UNIT LETTER F SECTION 18 TOWNSHIP 19S RANGE 33E

WELL CONSTRUCTION DATA  
Surface Casing

WELLBORE SCHEMATIC

Hole Size: N/A Casing Size: 9 5/8  
Cemented with: 250 sx. or \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
Top of Cement: Surface Method Determined: Circulated

Intermediate Casing

Hole Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Casing Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cemented with: \_\_\_\_\_ sx. or \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
Top of Cement: \_\_\_\_\_ Method Determined: \_\_\_\_\_

Production Casing

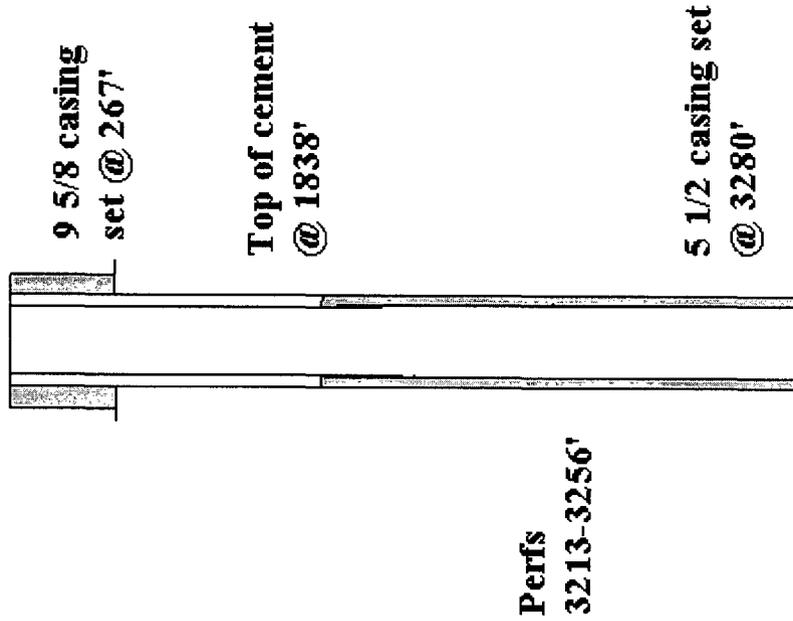
Hole Size: 7 7/8 Casing Size: 5 1/2  
Cemented with: 400 sx. or \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
Top of Cement: 1838' Method Determined: CBL

Total Depth: 3266

Injection Interval

3213 feet to 3256' Perforated

(Perforated or Open Hole; indicate which)



INJECTION WELL DATA SHEET

Tubing Size: 2 7/8" Lining Material: Plastic Coated

Type of Packer: Halliburton Trump Packer

Packer Setting Depth: 3113'

Other Type of Tubing/Casing Seal (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Data

1. Is this a new well drilled for injection?  Yes  No

If no, for what purpose was the well originally drilled? Yates and Seven Rivers Test

2. Name of the Injection Formation: Yates/Seven Rivers

3. Name of Field or Pool (if applicable): Tonto Yates Seven Rivers West

4. Has the well ever been perforated in any other zone(s)? List all such perforated intervals and give plugging detail, i.e. sacks of cement or plug(s) used. 3213-3214', 3231-3233',

3247-3256'

5. Give the name and depths of any oil or gas zones underlying or overlying the proposed injection zone in this area: underlying Queen, overlying Tansil

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## **VI. TABULATION OF DATA OF AREA OF REVIEW**

**See Attached**

**AREA OF REVIEW WELL DATA**

LEASE/API	WELL#	LOCATION	TD (PBTD)	TYPE & DATE DRILLED	HOLE SIZE	CASING SIZE & WEIGHT	SETTING DEPTH	SX CMT	TOC	PERFS
Federal 18 30-025-01669	2	1980' FNL 2039' FWL 18-19S-33E	3280' 3277'	Oil 5/28/1960		9 5/8 5 1/2	267' 3280'	250 400	circ 1838'	3213-3256
Federal 18 30-025-01671	4	1980' FNL 660' FEL 18-19S-33E	3450'	Oil 6/23/1960		8 5/8 5 1/2	267' 3349'	150 40	19' 3130'	3282-3310
Bondurant Federal 30-025-00895	1	2310' FSL 330' FEL 13-19S-33E	3272' 0'	Oil 8/31/1960		8 5/8 4 1/2	315' 3272'	175 700	circ N/A	Plugged
Bondurant Federal 30-025-00894	2	2310' FNL 330' FEL 13-19S-33E	3305' 0'	Oil 12/24/1960		8 5/8 4 1/2	290' 3305'	200 850		Plugged
Mustang Federal 30-025-33289	1	467' FSL 1980' FWL 18-19S-33E	7775' 0'	Oil 2/24/96	17 1/2 11 7 7/8	13 3/8, 48# 8 5/8, 24 & 32# 4 1/2, 11.6#	508' 3065' 7775'		circ circ 4400'	Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-01673	6	990' FNL 2045' FWL 18-19S-33E	3332' 0'	Oil 7/14/1960		8 5/8	255	150		Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-01674	7	2310' FSL 330' FWL 18-19S-33E	3290'	Oil 10/7/1960		8 5/8 5 1/2	266' 3290'	150 400		Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-20699	8	990' FNL 990' FEL 18-19S-33E	3330'	Dry 11/11/1964		8 5/8, 24#	273'	200		Plugged
Federal AC 30-025-01675	2	1980' FNL 690' FWL 18-19S-33E	14945' 0'	Gas 10/13/1959		13 3/8 9 5/8 7	330' 4904' 14625'	circ 300 800		Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-01668	1	2180' FNL 690' FWL 18-19S-33E	3280' 0'	Oil 4/13/1960		8 5/8 5 1/2	1078' 3280'	50 100		Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-01670	3	1980' FNL 1980' FEL 18-19S-33E	3282' 0'	Oil 6/12/1960		8 5/8 5 1/2	257' 3283'	250 400		Plugged
Federal 18 30-025-01672	5	1980' FSL 2039' FWL 18-19S-33E	3345'	Oil 7/4/1960		8 5/8	250'	150		Plugged
Federal AC 30-025-26469	1	660' FNL 1980' FEL 18-19S-33E	13670' 0'	Gas 9/23/1979	17 1/2 12 1/4 8 3/4	13 3/8 9 5/8 5 1/2	455' 5002' 13670'	450 2550 2625	circ circ 280'	Plugged

## VII. DATA SHEET: PROPOSED OPERATIONS

1. Proposed average and maximum daily rate and volume of fluids to be injected;  
**Respectively, 2000 BWPD and 4000 BWPD**
2. The system is closed or open;  
**Closed**
3. Proposed average and maximum injection pressure;  
**Vaccum-100#**
3. Sources and an appropriate analysis of injection fluid and compatibility with the receiving formation if other than re-injected produced water;  
**We will be re-injecting produced water**
5. If injection is for disposal purposes into a zone not productive of oil or gas at or within one mile of the proposed well, attach a chemical analysis of the disposal zone formation water;  
**N/A**

## VIII. GEOLOGICAL DATA

**Lithologic Detail**  
**Dolomite**

**Geological Name**  
**Yates, Seven Rivers**

**Thickness**  
**44'**

**Depth**  
**3213-3256'**

## **IX. PROPOSED STIMULATION PROGRAM**

**To be treated with 1000 gallons 15% acid**

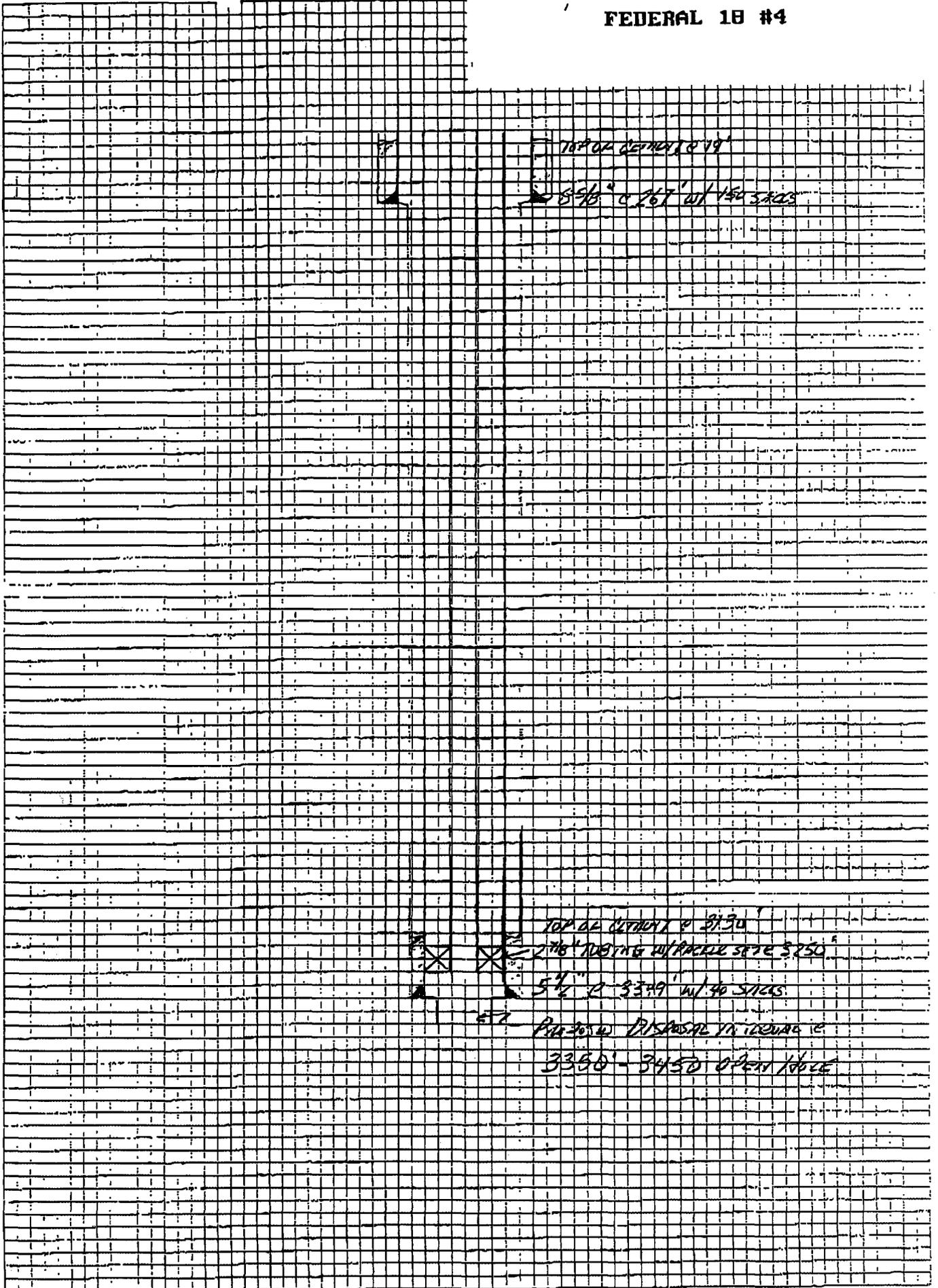
**X. LOGS AND TEST DATA**

**Well data has been filed with the OCD**

## **XI. ANALYSIS OF FRESHWATER WELLS**

**Analysis attached**

FEDERAL 1B #4



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K&E 10 X 10 TO THE INCH - J X 10 INCHES  
KIMBLE & FISHER CO. MADE IN U.S.A.

TOP OF CEMENT P 2130  
 5 1/2" @ 267' W/ 150 STICKS

TOP OF CEMENT P 2130  
 2 1/2" @ 267' W/ 150 STICKS  
 5 1/2" @ 3349' W/ 40 STICKS  
 3350' - 3450' OPEN HOLE

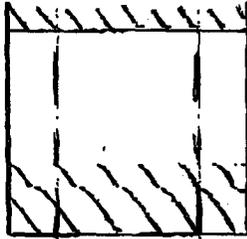
# Bondurant Federal #1

10 sx Surface plug

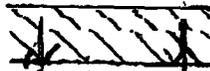
25 sx plug @ 315'

25 sx plug @ 710'

75 sx plug from 3248-2158'



8 5/8" Casing set @ 315'



Full 710' 4 1/2" Casing

Tests from 3256-3270

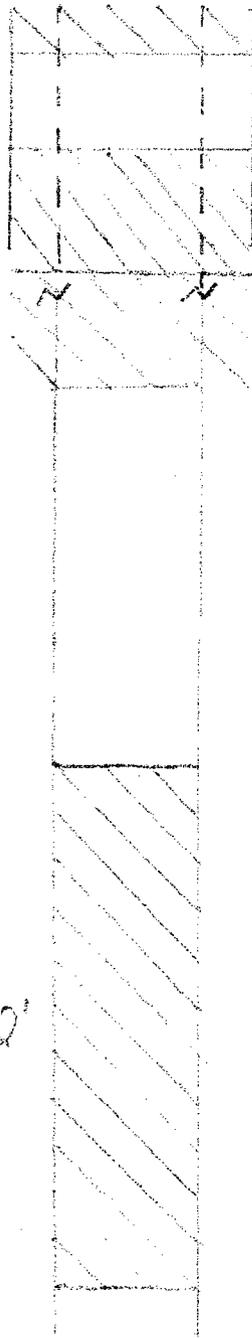
4 1/2" Casing set @ 3272'

# Bondurant Federal #2

10 sr surface plug

25 sr plug @ 290'

25 sr plug @ 345'



8 7/8" Casing set @ 290'

Pull 345' 4 1/2" Casing

50 sr plug from 3266'-2542'

4 1/2" Casing set @ 3305'

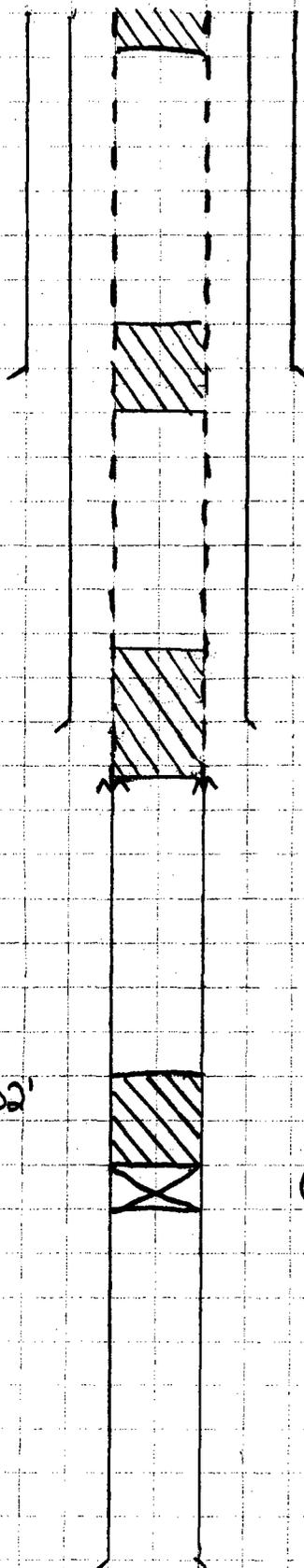
Mustang Federal #1

10 sx 30-0'

40 sx 564-410'

120 sx 3195-2913'

15 sx cement 5824-5602'



13 3/8 casing set @ 508'  
Top of cement @ surface

Pulled 3132' 4 1/2 casing

8 5/8 casing set @ 3065'  
Top of cement @ surface

CIBP @ 5824'

4 1/2 casing set @ 7775'  
Top of cement @ 4400'

Federal 18 #6  
Unit C, Sec. 18, T19S, R33E

16 SACK PILES @ 30' 0"  
8 1/2" @ 219' w/ 150 SACKS  
16 SACK PILE @ 200' - 250'

32 SACK PILE @ 1643' - 1543'

~~32 SACKS @ 2042' - 2142'~~

32 SACKS @ 3352' - 3232'

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10 X 10 TO THE INCH - 7 X 10 INCHES  
KEUFFEL & ESSER CO. MADE IN U.S.A.

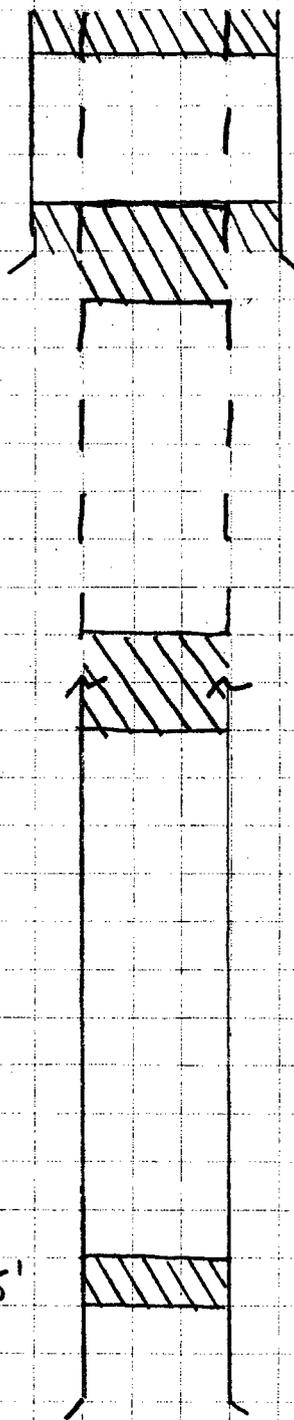
Order 18 # 7

10sx from 15-0'

35sx from 316-216'

35sx cement from 1464-1364'

3 sx cement from 3110-3085'



8 5/8 casing set @ 266'

Pulled 1407' 5 1/2 casing

5 1/2 casing set @ 3290'

Federal 18 #8

10' surface plug

30' sx from 323-223'

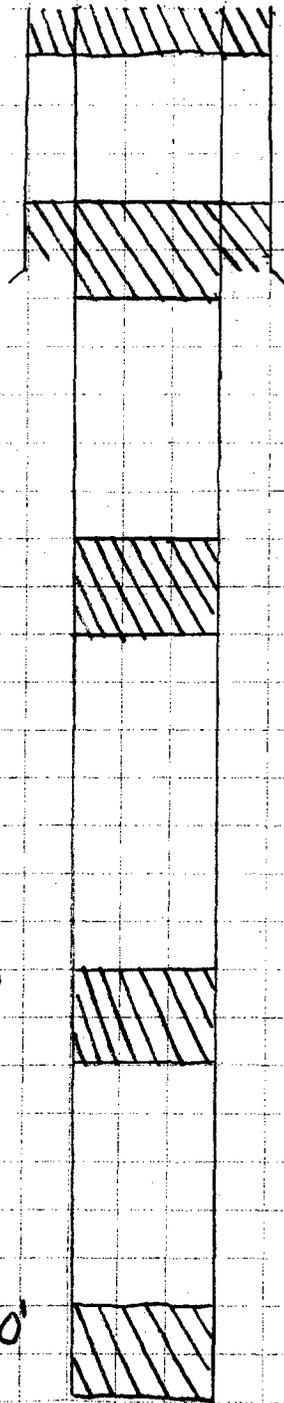
8 5/8 casing set @ 273'

30' sx from 1530-1430'

30' sx from 2947-2847'

30' sx from 3330-3230'

Drilled to 3330' and P+A



Federal AC #2

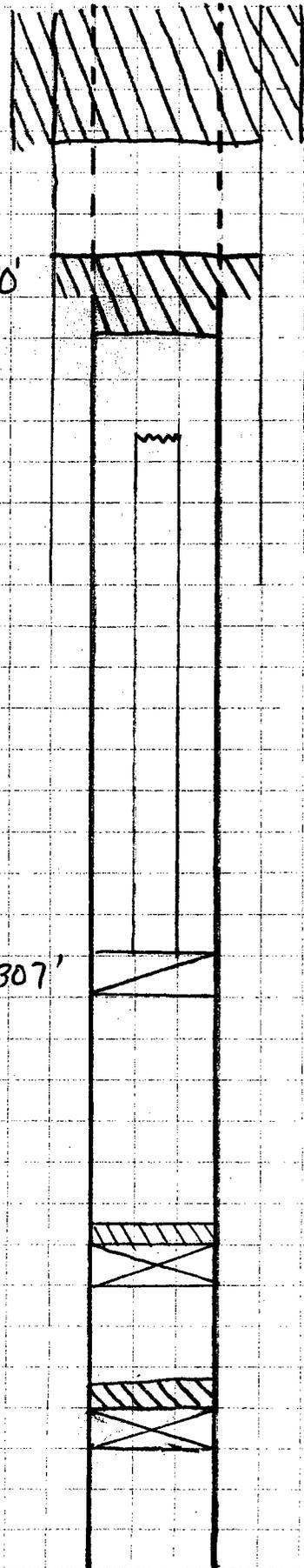
Perforated 9 5/8 casing  
@ 330' pumped 225 sx  
to surface

Spot 100 sx from 2290-2030'

Cement retainers set @ 10,307'  
pumped 850 sx cement

CIBP @ 12,015'  
w/30' cement cap

CIBP @ 12,889'  
w/30' cement cap



1 3/8 casing set @ 330'

Cut 7" casing @ 2250'

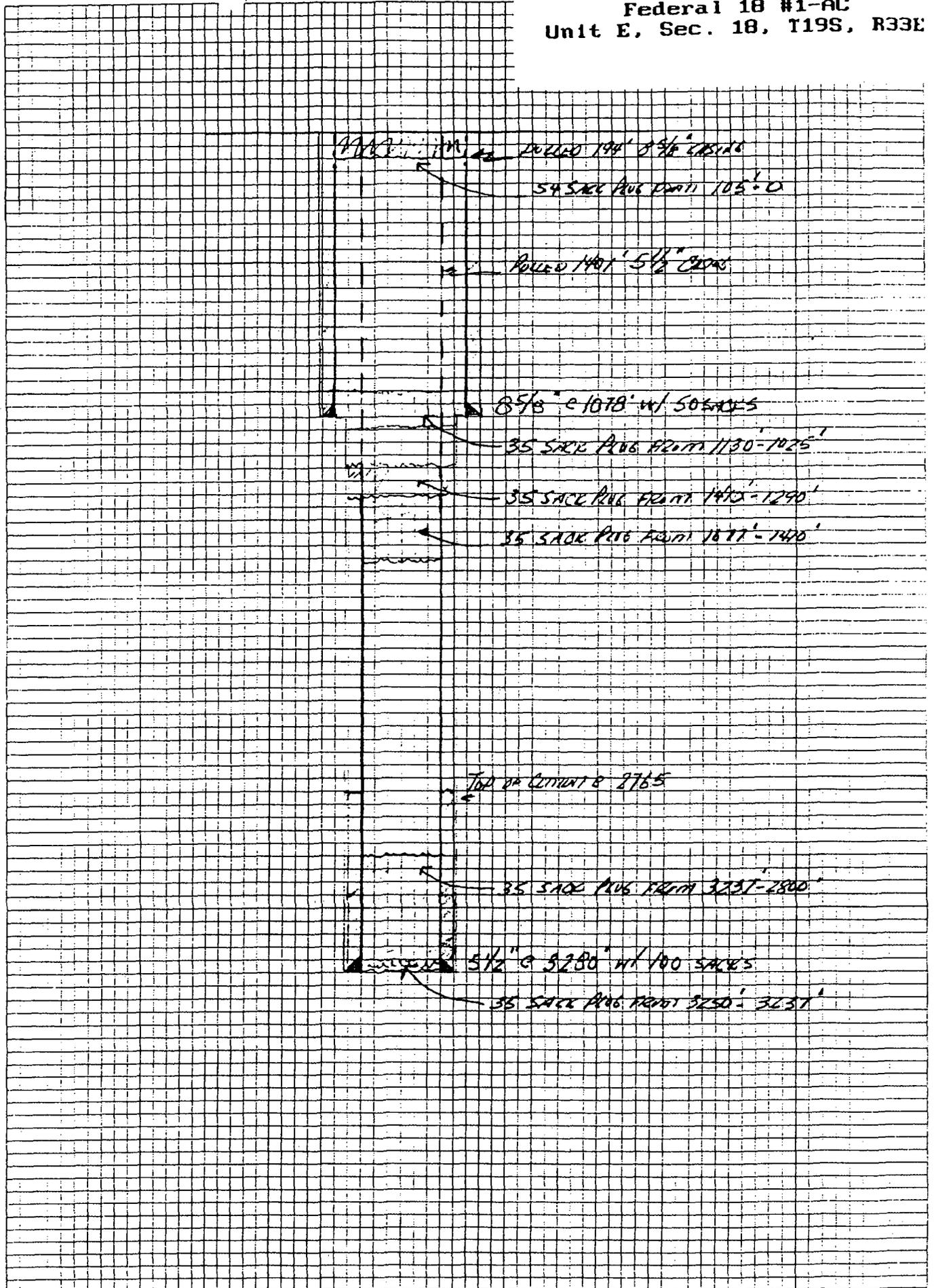
Cut 2 3/8 tubing @ 3866'

9 5/8 casing set @ 4904'

2 3/8 tubing stuck in retainer  
@ 10,307'

7" casing set @ 14,625'  
TD @ 14,945'

Federal 18 #1-AC  
Unit E, Sec. 18, T19S, R33E



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Federal 18 #3  
Unit G, Sec. 18, T19S, R33E

3 SACK PER 015'-0"  
8 1/2" @ 257 w/ 150 SACKS  
35 SACK PER 000 304'-207'

ALLOW 1412' 5 1/2" CASING

35 SACK PER PERM 1457-1357

3 SACK PER PERM 3110-5085'

5 1/2" @ 3282' w/ 800 SACKS

46 0700

Federal 10 #5  
Unit K, Sec. 10, T19S, R33E

50 sack Plug from 57'-0"  
\$ 5/8" @ 250' w/ 150 SACKS  
50 sack Plug from 263'-212'

32 sack Plug from 190'-130'

32 sack Plug from 2850'-2750'

32 sack Plug from 3345'-3245'

46 0700

10 X 10 LIFE LINE INCHES X 10 INCHES  
NEUFEL & ESSER CO. MADE IN USA



# Federal AC #1

25 sx from 60-0'

25 sx plug from 555-355'

25 sx plug from 1500-1300'

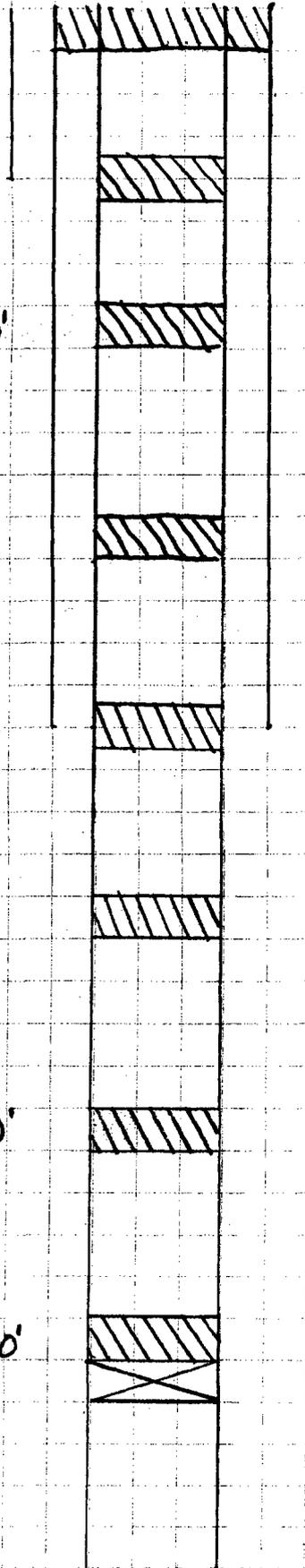
25 sx plug from 3000-2800'

25 sx plug from 5125-4925'

25 sx plug from 7100-6900'

25 sx plug from 9600-9400'

25 sx plug from 12,210-12,010'

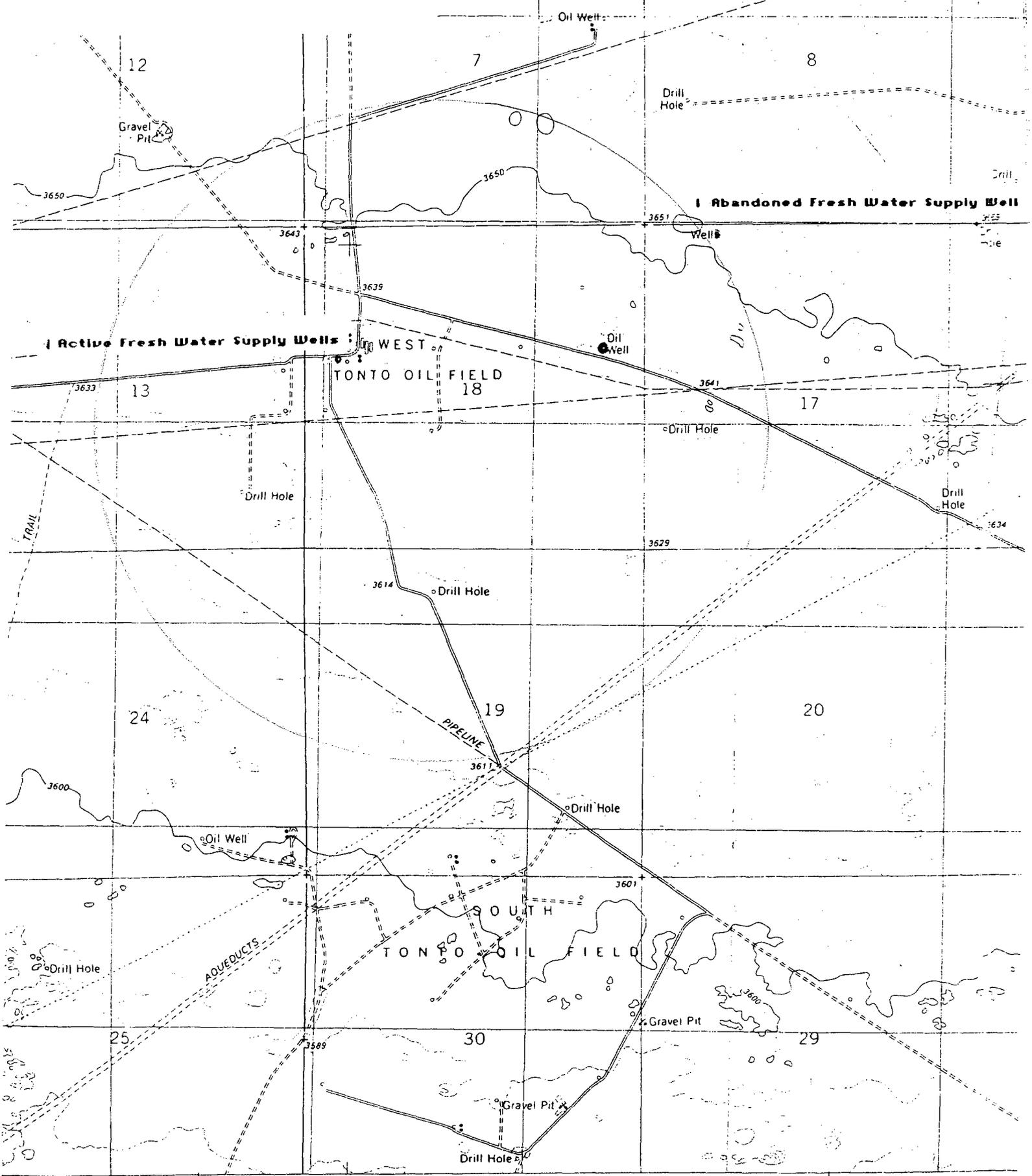


13 3/8 casing set @ 455'

9 5/8 casing set @ 5002'

5 1/2 casing set @ 13,670'

XI AREA REVIEWED



A 37 E

21 42 30 S 33 E

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(LAGUNA GATUNA)

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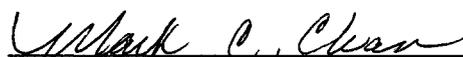
## XII. AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT

**RE: Federal 18 #2**

**We have examined the available geologic and engineering data and find no evidence of open faults or any other hydraulic connection between the disposal zone and any underground source of drinking water.**

**Mack Energy Corporation**

**Date:** 1/23/04

  
**Mack C Chase, President**



North Permian Basin Region  
P.O. Box 740  
Sundown, TX 79372-0740  
(806) 229-8121  
Lab Team Leader - Sheila Hernandez  
(915) 495-7240

## Water Analysis Report by Baker Petrolite

Company:	MACK ENERGY INCORPORATED	Sales RDT:	33512
Region:	PERMIAN BASIN	Account Manager:	WAYNE PETERSON (505) 910-9389
Area:	ARTESIA, NM	Sample #:	31320
Lease/Platform:	SMITH RANCH	Analysis ID #:	35850
Entity (or well #):	FRESH WATER WELL (WEST)	Analysis Cost:	\$7.00
Formation:	UNKNOWN		
Sample Point:	WATER TANK		

Summary		Analysis of Sample 31320 @ 75 °F					
Sampling Date:	7/1/03	Anions	mg/l	meq/l	Cations	mg/l	meq/l
Analysis Date:	7/7/03	Chloride:	1043.7	29.44	Sodium:	616.4	26.81
Analyst:	WAYNE PETERSON	Bicarbonate:	207.4	3.4	Magnesium:	115.0	9.46
TDS (mg/l or g/m3):	2480.6	Carbonate:	0.0	0.	Calcium:	98.0	4.89
Density (g/cm3, tonne/m3):	1	Sulfate:	400.0	8.33	Strontium:		
Anion/Cation Ratio:	1.0000004	Phosphate:			Barium:		
Carbon Dioxide:	5 PPM	Borate:			Iron:	0.1	0.
Oxygen:		Silicate:			Potassium:		
Comments:		Hydrogen Sulfide:		0 PPM	Aluminum:		
		pH at time of sampling:		7	Chromium:		
		pH at time of analysis:			Copper:		
		pH used in Calculation:		7	Lead:		
					Manganese:		
					Nickel:		

Conditions		Values Calculated at the Given Conditions - Amounts of Scale in lb/1000 bbl										
Temp	Gauge Press.	Calcite CaCO <sub>3</sub>		Gypsum CaSO <sub>4</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O		Anhydrite CaSO <sub>4</sub>		Celestite SrSO <sub>4</sub>		Barite BaSO <sub>4</sub>		CO <sub>2</sub> Press
		Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	Index	Amount	
°F	psi											psi
80	0	-0.43	0.00	-1.23	0.00	-1.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.27
100	0	-0.30	0.00	-1.23	0.00	-1.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.35
120	0	-0.15	0.00	-1.22	0.00	-1.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.44
140	0	0.00	0.00	-1.20	0.00	-1.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.54

Note 1: When assessing the severity of the scale problem, both the saturation index (SI) and amount of scale must be considered.

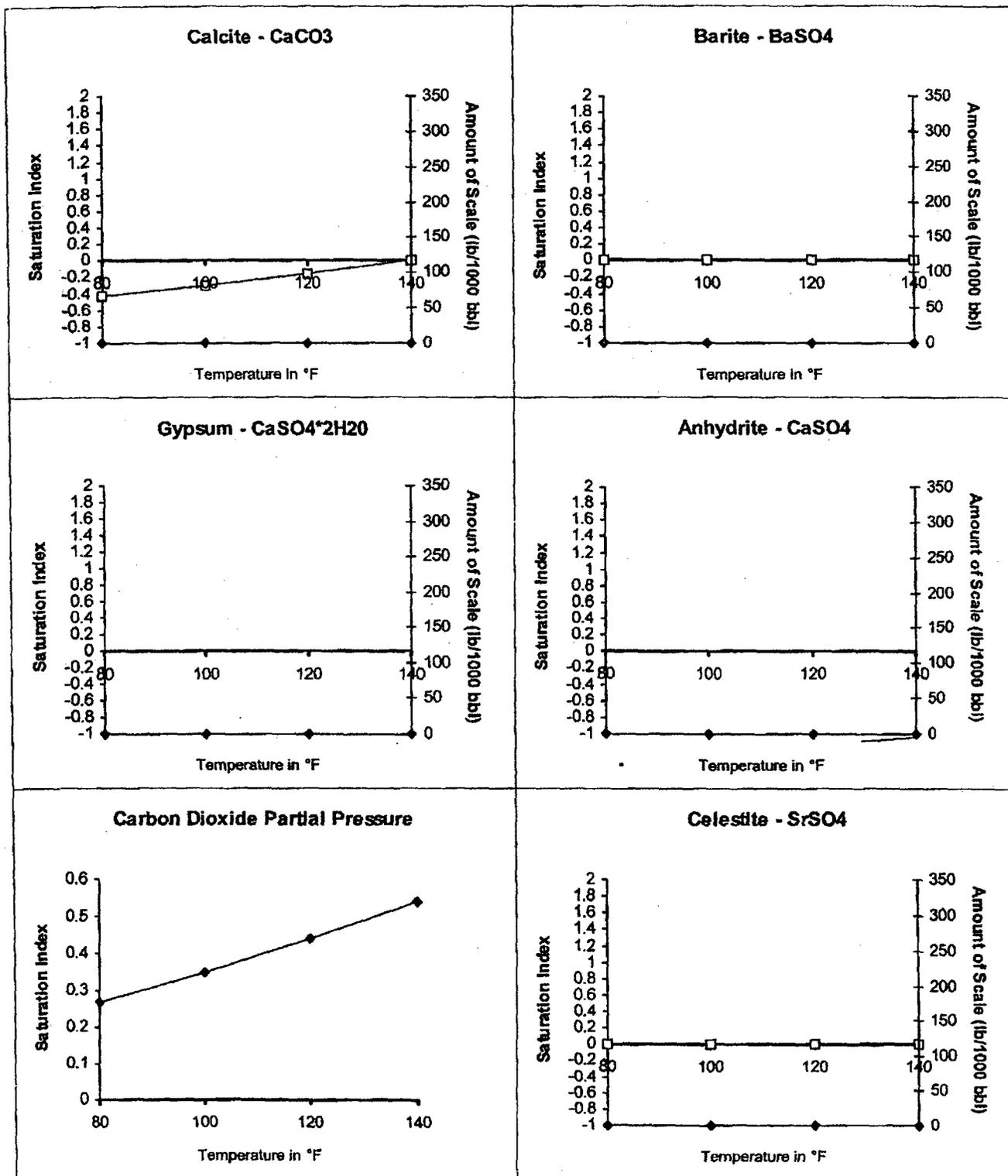
Note 2: Precipitation of each scale is considered separately. Total scale will be less than the sum of the amounts of the five scales.

Note 3: The reported CO<sub>2</sub> pressure is actually the calculated CO<sub>2</sub> fugacity. It is usually nearly the same as the CO<sub>2</sub> partial pressure.



### Scale Predictions from Baker Petrolite

Analysis of Sample 31320 @ 75 °F for MACK ENERGY INCORPORATED, 7/7/03



**FEDERAL 18 #2  
Sec. 18, T19S, R33E  
Lea County, New Mexico**

**Surface:**

BLM

**Lessee:**

Kenny Smith  
Kenny Smith Inc.  
267 Smith Ranch Road  
Hobbs, NM 88240

**APPLICATION OF MACK ENERGY CORPORATION FOR  
SALT WATER DISPOSAL,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

FEDERAL 18 WELL NO. 2  
1980 feet from the North line and 2039 feet from the West line  
Section 18, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, NMPM

**NOTICE LIST**

**Surface Owner:**

Bureau of Land Management  
2909 West Second Street  
Roswell, New Mexico 88210

Bureau of Land Management  
620 East Greene Street  
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220-6292

Kenny Smith  
Kenny Smith Inc.  
267 Smith Road  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

**Leasehold Operators:**

Chi Energy  
Post Office Box 1799  
Midland, Texas 79702

OXY, USA Inc.  
Post Office Box 50250  
Midland, Texas 79710

Webb Oil Company  
Post Office Box 1124  
Artesia, New Mexico 88211

Ray Westall  
Post Office Box 4  
Loco Hills, New Mexico 88255

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2004 HEARING:

CASE 13220 : **Application of Mack Energy Corporation for approval of a salt water disposal well, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks approval to utilize its Federal 18 Well No. 2 (API No. 30-025-01669) located 1980 feet from the North line and 2039 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 18, Township 19 South, Range 33 East, to dispose of produced water into the Yates and San Andres formations from a depth of 3213 feet to 3256 feet. This well is located approximately 15 miles southeast of Loco Hills, New Mexico.