

GEOLOGY OF THE PROPOSED
HUGGINS DRAW FEDERAL UNIT
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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BEFORE EXAMINER QUINTANA	
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
<i>Inexco</i>	EXHIBIT NO. <u>3</u>
CASE NO.	<u>8389</u>

PROPOSED HUGGINS DRAW FEDERAL UNIT

Enclosures and Attachments:

Exhibit A.....Isolith Abo Sand

Exhibit B.....Cross Section A-A'

Exhibit C.....Cross Section B-B'

Exhibit D.....Unit Well #1 Prognosis

Exhibit E.....Current Well Cost

G E O L O G I C A L R E P O R T

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PURPOSE:

This report summarizes reasons for forming a 30,029.95 acre Federal Unit in Chaves County, New Mexico to test the Abo Sand section. The initial unit test will be drilled to approximately 3600 feet in the SE/4 section 18-T5S-R23E.

LOCATION:

The proposed unit is located in northwestern Chaves County, approximately 35 miles north of Roswell, New Mexico and approximately 1.5 miles east of US highway 85 (exhibit A - Isolith Abo sand greater than 10% Porosity). Topographically the area is characterized by gently south sloping terrain. The northern portion of the proposed unit is drained by Huggins Draw and the southern portion by Five Mile Draw, both of which are tributaries of the Pecos River some 13 miles east. Geologically this area is on the northwest shelf, a northerly extension of the Midland and Delaware basins. That portion of the shelf presently undergoing development for Abo gas is known as the Pecos slope.

GENERAL GEOLOGY:

By the end of the Pennsylvanian system an emergent Pedernal land mass occupied most of the area west of the Pecos Slope. Its eastern flank is partially defined in the subsurface by the Pre-Pennsylvanian subcrop and on the surface by Precambrian and younger igneous outcrops in central Lincoln and Torrance counties, New Mexico.

As the Wolfcamp sea transgressed over the Pecos Slope a continuous supply of coarse clastics were being supplied to the area from the highlands to the west. By upper Hueco and Abo time a regressive cycle dominated the Pecos Slope area with numerous streams transporting and depositing fine clastics over the region. The resulting depositional sequence is a maze of channel sands, bar sands and fans interbedded with red shale which now comprise the Abo gas play (exhibit B & C - northeast - southwest - stratigraphic X-sections).

Exhibit A, an isolith of Abo sand with 10% or greater porosity, suggest deposition of these sands were concentrated vertically through geologic time in somewhat restricted areas. Subsurface control, although limited, near the proposed unit, indicates the proposed Huggins Draw Unit to be located in an area where numerous channels are stacked vertically but will have great lateral discontinuity (exhibit C stratigraphic X-section). The sand Isolith (exhibit A) also indicates the possibilities of one or more fans being present in the area.

LOCAL GEOLOGY:

Interpretation of very limited subsurface control suggest that the proposed unit will conform to an area in which rapid stratigraphic change is occurring in an SW-NE direction (exhibit C stratigraphic X-section) with multiple sands stacking and having a long axis in a NW - SE direction This is considered indicative of channel systems draining the

Perdernal land mass located west of the area of interest. Two wells have been drilled within the confines of the proposed unit. One near the north edge of the unit in the NE/NW 23, 4S-23E and the other in the NW/SE 25 5S-22E. The northern most well has been plugged, while the one to the south has temporarily suspended operations. Other wells proximal to the unit have had varying degrees of success; and initial potentials posted by completed wells on exhibit A indicate to some extent the degree of risk involved.

UNIT OUTLINE:

The unit outline, as shown on the Isolith Abo Sand (Exhibit A), is designed to include most of the acreage within the forty five (45) foot contour. Where necessary local departures from this have been made for administrative purposes and acreage restraints. Formation of the unit should permit the orderly, timely and economical exploration and development of a large area for Abo gas in which few wells have been drilled.


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INEXCO OIL COMPANY

AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

AFE No. (Inexco Property No.) _____
 Prospect HUGGINS DRAW
 Well Name and Number INEXCO FEDERAL NO. 1-18
 Estimated Days to Drill 15
 Estimated Days to Complete 8

Location: SE/4 SEC. 18T5S
R23E
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

OBJECTIVES TUBB SANDS AND DEPTH 2880 + 1450
ABO 3230 + 1100

Est. T.D. 4330
 Est. Spud _____
 A F E Prepared OCTOBER 2, 1984
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Drill () Workover Same Zone () Recomplete in New Zone

DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COSTS		ACTUAL COST
	DRILLING	COMPLETION	
INTANGIBLE COSTS (321)			
Access and Location Costs	10,500		
Move-in, Rig-up, Rig-down, Move-out			
Contract Drilling			
Footage <u>4330</u> ft. at \$ <u>15.00</u> ft.	65,000		
Daywork <u>2</u> days at \$ <u>4200</u> day	4,200	4,200	
Completion Unit <u>8</u> days at \$ <u>1400</u> day		11,200	
Fuel, Power, Water and Water Lines	13,400	2,400	
Bits, Reamers and Stabilizers		1,000	
Equipment Rental	3,000	1,000	
Cementing and Squeezing -			
Conductor Casing	5,000		
Surface Casing	6,000		
Intermediate Casing		8,000	
Production Casing			
Liner			
Other			
Drilling Mud and Chemicals	14,000	2,500	
Mud Logger	6,500		
Logging, Coring and Testing -			
Cores <u>60'</u>	8,000		
DST's			
Logs <u>GR-NEUTRON 1500' - TD</u>	3,000		
<u>DLL 1500' - TD</u>	4,000		
<u>GR-CBL/VDL</u>		5,000	
Perforating & WIRELINE WORK		5,000	
Acidizing and Fracturing		55,000	
Labor and Supervision		2,500	
Contract Labor	4,000	12,000	
Drilling Overhead	29,200		
Transportation	2,800	5,000	
Sales Tax	2,800	1,000	
Other Miscellaneous Intangible Costs	2,000	4,000	
Losses, Damages and Abandonment	6,000		
Fishing Tool Expense and/or Directional Drilling			
Dry Hole Contributions			
Well Control Insurance			
TOTAL INTANGIBLE	\$ 309,200	\$ 119,800	\$

