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February 11, 2010

David C. Thornquist

Landman

Mr. William V. Jones PE New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1200 South St. Francis Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re:

Consent to Commingle Production

Jic 29-03-02 03

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Jones,

It is the wish of Black Hills Gas Resources, Inc. to commingle production from several potential gas producing formations. The correlative rights within these commingled formations remain the same. The formations being commingled under this well are:

Pictured Cliffs Formation
San Jose Formation

Black Hills appreciates your consideration of this request and looks forward to a favorable approval. Should you have any questions or comments with this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David C. Thornquist

Landman



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February 25, 2010

Richard Ezeanyim Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Surface commingle of wells.

Dear Mr. Ezeanyim:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify a conversation between Will Jones and myself on January 12, 2010, regarding commingling production of individual wells at the surface.

Black Hills has a *Total Flow* meter at each well bore and this meter is calibrated regularly, depending on how much the well is capable of producing i.e. if the volume exceeds 100 MCF per day the calibration is quarterly. All royalties are calculated and paid at that point. Up till now the well had the ability to produce from different pools that were completed within the well bore. The correlative rights in the well bore are identical. However surface commingling had not taken place. The well has been produced either up the casing annulus or the tubing string, but not both. Therefore Black Hills has begun surface commingling (see attachment) as directed by Mr. Jones in an e-mail received January 12, 2010, and is submitting documentation required by Mr. Jones.

I would like to thank the staff at the Oil Conservation Division for their prompt and professional manner in dealing with this issue.

Please do not hesitate to call me in the event of any questions.

Sincerely.

Alan Vrooman

Senior Permitting Coordinator

Black Hills Exploration & Production

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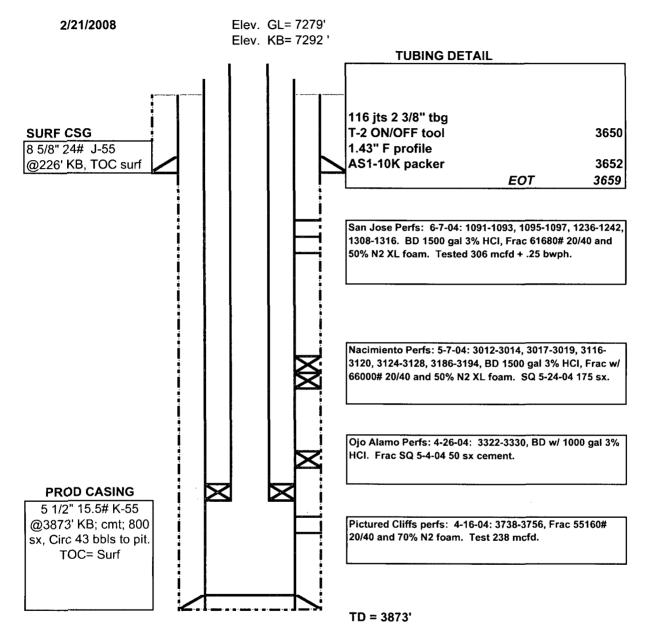
Office	State of New Mexico	Form C-103
District I	Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources	June 19, 2008
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240		WELL API NO.
District II 1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, NM 88210	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	30-039-27593
District III	1220 South St. Francis Dr.	5. Indicate Type of Lease
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410	Santa Fe, NM 87505	STATE FEE 6. State Oil & Gas Lease No.
District IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505	5ana 1 c, 1x1v1 6.7505	6. State Oil & Gas Lease No. MDA 701-98-0013, Tract 1
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	s Well Other	Jicarilla 29-03-02 #3
2. Name of Operator		9. OGRID Number
Black Hills Gas Resources		013925
3. Address of Operator 3200 N 1 st St / P.O. Box 249		10. Pool name or Wildcat
		East Blanco Pictured Cliffs
Bloomfield, NM 87413		Cabresto Canyon Tertiary
4. Well Location		
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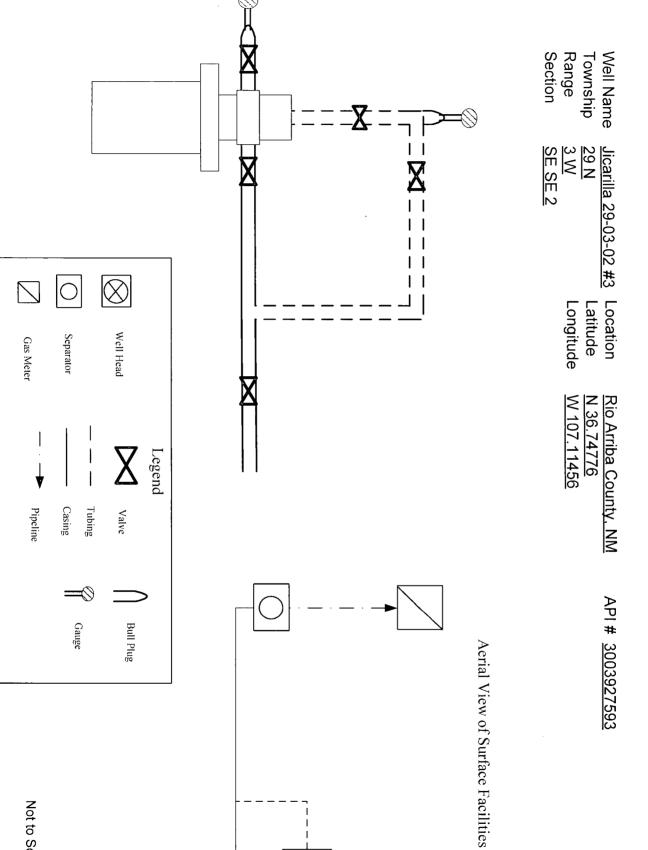
Wellbore Diagram

API # 30-039-27593

UNIT P SE SE, Sec 2, T29N, R03W Rio Arriba, NM



Black Hills Exploration and Production Surface Commingling Diagram



Not to Scale

Jones, William V., EMNRD

From:

Jones, William V., EMNRD

Sent:

Tuesday, January 12, 2010 12:23 PM

To:

Sharp, Karen, EMNRD; Perrin, Charlie, EMNRD

Cc:

Brooks, David K., EMNRD; Ezeanyim, Richard, EMNRD; 'Mike Pippin'

Subject:

Black Hills Commingling production on the Jicarilla Tribal Lands

Hello Karen or Charlie:

To comply with the open records act, would you please print this email and save it in the "Black Hills" company file – we don't have those here.

Then please forward this email to the appropriate Black Hills person. Alan called this morning and I can't seem to get him on the phone.

Alan:

I ran this by Richard E., Terry Warnell, and our attorney David Brooks.

We understand you have DHC permits in place and a Total Flow (sales gas meter) on each well and these are all Tribal wells operated (100% WI) by Black Hills with identical royalty ownership between Pools.

Please commence production as soon as is practical from all completed Pools in wells that have a DHC order approved and in order to ensure correlative rights are protected and our rules are followed....submit the following information to this office by March 1, 2010. This data will be copied and placed in the well files or DHC permit files for each well involved.

- a. Send a cover letter addressed to the Engineering Bureau in Santa Fe stating the overall ownership situation on the Jicarilla and that these Total Flow gas meters are installed on all wells and these meters are considered to be "sales" meters for purposes of royalty payments.
- b. Send a list of all the wells involved including each API number and each DHC permit number for each well. List the Pool Names approved for commingling in the DHC permit and what percentage allocation you are approved to use.
- c. Send another letter signed by a Landman or Attorney stating the ownership situation between the completed Pools in each well. If ownership is identical (ORRI, RI, WI the same) between Pools, have that stated and the letter signed. You can send in only one letter and just list the identically owned wells/pools within that letter.

If in this investigation, your landman finds differing overrides or differing WI from any Pool completed in any of these wells, please prepare diversely owned surface commingle application for each diverse well, send out notices, and send the application in to Santa Fe for approval.

If you have wells not yet covered by DHC orders and are completed as duals or triples, then you could apply for a surface commingle permit on those – most likely under category: "identically owned Pool Commingles".

Regards,

William V. Jones PE New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Santa Fe, NM 87505 505-476-3448

Tracking: