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February 20, 1996

Mr Jerry Hoover Conoco Inc 10 Desta Dr Ste 100W Midland TX 79705-4500

Re: Federal #12E L-23-26N-6W30-039-22254

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your recommended allocation of commingled production to the referenced well is hereby accepted as follows:

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u> on
<u>Pool</u>	<u>Oil</u> <u>Gas</u>	Oil Gas
Blanco Mesaverde	97% 38%	3% 39%
Basin Dakota	3% 62%	97% 61%

Sincerely,

Frank T. Chavez
District Supervisor

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Mr. Frank Chavez
Oil Conservation Division
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Aztec NM 87410

Re:

ALLOCATION REVISION for Mesaverde and Dakota Production in the Previously Approved Downhole Commingled Federal No. 12E, 1620' FSL & 930' FWL, Sec. 23, T-26N, R-6W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Chaves:

By Amended Administrative Order DHC-1103, issued May 15, 1995, the OCD approved the downhole commingling of this well under a temporary allocation formula that was to be reevaluated early in 1996 after the flush production from the recently completed Mesaverde zone had further declined. It appears that we now have sufficient data to project a final fixed percentage allocation for both Mesaverde and Dakota production in this well.

EXHIBIT A shows a normalized Mesaverde production curve for 20 wells drilled since 1982 in the immediate area of the subject well. It also shows a projected decline curve fit through these normalized data points. The results of this reservoir model predicts the following characteristics for a Mesaverde completion in this area:

- (1) A typical initial rate (Qi) of 300 MCFGPD
- (2) A typical average 40% rate of decline during the first 12 months
- (3) A typical average 25% rate of decline during the second 12 months
- (4) A final stabilized decline rate of 4.3%

EXHIBIT B shows, on an expanded scale, only the first 36 months of the normalized production curve (diamond symbol) and the projected decline curve fit shown in EXHIBIT A.

The other four production plots, as indicated by various other symbols in the legend of EXHIBIT B, are the first eleven months of production from four recent Mesaverde completions prior to being downhole commingled. The Federal No. 12E is one of these wells. The bold black line through the middle of these plots is a normalized average of these four recent Mesaverde completions and demonstrates that they exhibited the same decline characteristics as the twenty well model they are being compared to. This exercise was done to validate the model with production data from the four recently downhole commingled wells.

EXHIBIT C shows the production history of the Dakota completion (square symbols) in the Federal No. 12E since 1980. Following the irregular producing pattern during most of the 1980's, a reasonable decline projection based on data from the last five years indicates that a steady decline rate of 4.5% can be forecast for the Dakota.

The shaded diamond symbols, beginning in 1994, represent Mesaverde production in this well. The hyperbolic decline through the first two years which is projected to become a steady 4.3% exponential decline early in 1996 is based on the model curves from EXHIBITS A and B. It fits very nicely as a type curve through early producing data for this well and should be a very reliable projection of future decline.

The projected decline rates for the Dakota (4.5%) and the Mesaverde (4.3%) are essentially identical, certainly varying no more that the accuracy of the curve fitting process. Therefore, a permanent fixed percentage allocation should be a reasonably accurate method for allocating production to these commingled zones. As shown at the bottom of EXHIBIT C, the BBL/MCF ratio of oil production from each zone was calculated using cumulative oil production which yielded a .0029 BBL/MCF ratio for the Dakota and a .0646 BBL/MCF ratio for the Mesaverde. These relationships were used to develop weighted percentages for oil production based on the relative gas volumes.

It is recommended that based on the foregoing evidence production allocation for this well be revised to the following fixed percentages:

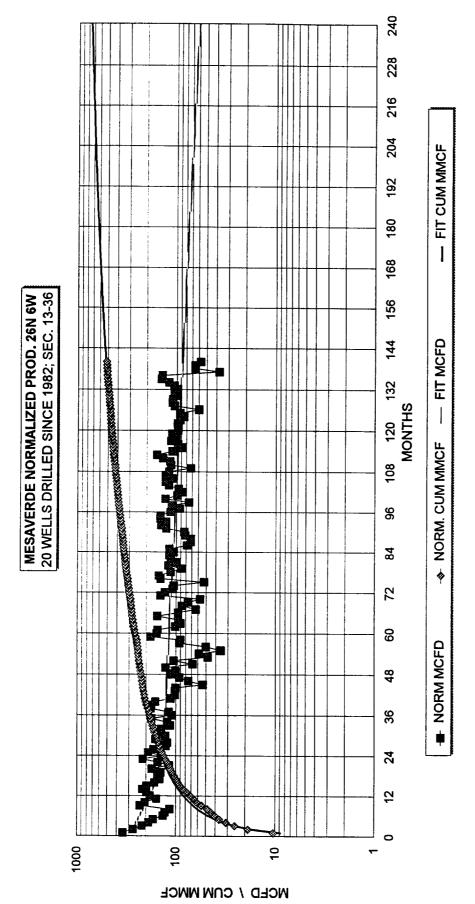
	1996 Perc	<u>entages</u>	1997-EUR	Percentages
Basin Dakota	Oil - 3%	Gas - 38%		Gas - 39%
Blanco Mesaverde	Oil - 97%	Gas - 62%	Oil - 97%	Gas - 61%

Your approval of this allocation revision is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,

Jerry W. Hoover

Sr. Conservation Coordinator



EUR MIMCF:	1052	ö	300 MCFD
20 YR CUM:	754 MMCF	INITIAL DEC:	40.0% 12 MONTHS
		2ND DEC:	25.0% 12 MONTHS
		FINAL DECL:	4.3% OUT YR DECLINE

36 - AVG OF 4 MV RECOMPLETIONS A FEDERAL 13 MV NORMALIZED MESAVERDE PRODUCTION; 26N 06 20 WELLS DRILLED SINCE 1982; SECTIONS 13-36 24 ¥ FEDERAL 11 MV O NO. OF WELLS MONTHS ★ FEDERAL 12 MV - FIT MCFD 4 ♦ NORMALIZED MCFD ◆ FEDERAL 12E MV 0 1000 100 9 MCFD / CUM MMCF / NO. WELLS

BLOWUP OF 1ST 36 MONTHS WITH NEW WELL PRODUCTION SHOWN

EUR:	1052 MMCF	ä	300 MCFD
15 YR CUM:	627 MMCF	INITIAL DEC:	40.0% 12 MONTHS
		2ND DEC:	25.0% 12 MONTHS
		FINAL DECL:	4.3% OUT YR DECLINE

