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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RECOMMENDATION

Date: 2/28/96

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
PO Box 2088  
Santa Fe NM 87504-2088

RE: Proposed MC \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed NSL \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed WFX \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed NSP \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed DHC X \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed SWD \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed PMX \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed DD \_\_\_\_\_

Gentlemen:

I have examined the application received on 2/21/96  
for the Amor Riddle Com A #1M  
OPERATOR LEASE & WELL NUMBER  
1-9-27N9W and my recommendations are as follows:

UL-S-T-R

Approve

Yours truly,

[Signature]



**Southern**

**Rockies**

**Business**

**Unit**

February 13, 1996

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
2040 S. Pacheco Street  
P. O. Box 6429  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Application for Exception to Rule 303-C**  
**Downhole Commingling**  
**Riddle Com A #1M Well**  
**1590' FSL & 5700' FEL, Unit I Section 9-T27N-R9W**  
**Blanco Mesaverde and Basin Dakota Pools**  
**San Juan County, New Mexico**

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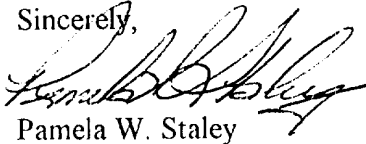
Amoco Production Company hereby requests administrative approval to downhole commingle production from the Blanco Mesaverde and Basin Dakota Pools in the Riddle Com A #1M well referenced above. The Riddle Com A #1M is currently a dual completion in the Mesaverde and Basin Dakota formations. We recently performed a Packer Leakage Test on this well and communication was noted between the Dakota and Mesaverde horizons. When we went in to repair the leakage, we were unable to reestablish the dual completion and decided to pull the packer and prepare for downhole commingling. We notified your Aztec District of our reasons for changing to a downhole commingling setup on this well. This well is currently shut-in awaiting your approval to downhole commingle. We plan to complete the well with both the Mesaverde and Dakota formations being downhole commingled in the wellbore. This commingling will allow both the Mesaverde and the Dakota formations to be produced through common surface equipment thus reducing operating costs and extending the well life. The two zones are expected to produce at a total commingled rate of about 55 MCFD with a very small amount of condensate (less than 1 BCPD) from each formation. Downhole commingling will offer an economical method of production while protecting against reservoir damage, waste of reserves and violation of correlative rights. The ownership (WI, RI, ORI) of these pools is not common in this wellbore. Offset operators to this well will receive a copy of this application by certified mail. All interest owners will also receive a copy of this application as their notice.

The allocation method that we plan to use for this commingled well is as follows. Since the well has been producing as a dual completion for some time, we would expect post commingling rates to be unchanged and therefore propose a percentage allocation. The Mesaverde is currently producing 10 MCFD and the Dakota is currently producing 55 MCFD. We therefore recommend that we allocate 15% of gas production to the Mesaverde and 85% of gas production to the Dakota. This well has produced a small amount of Condensate from each zone. The Dakota is currently producing

approximately 0.5 BCPD and the Mesaverde is currently producing 0.85 BCPD. Based on that production we recommend that 40 % of Condensate production be attributed to the Dakota and that 60 % of Condensate production be attributed to the Mesaverde. The actual commercial value of the commingled production will not be less than the sum of the values of the production from each of the common sources of supply.

Attached to aid in your review is a plat showing the location of the well and offset wells in the same formation, a historical and recent production plot and a C-102 for each formation. This spacing unit is located on a federal lease (SF-078354) and we will send a copy of the application to the BLM as their notice. Should you have questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (303) 830-5344.

Sincerely,



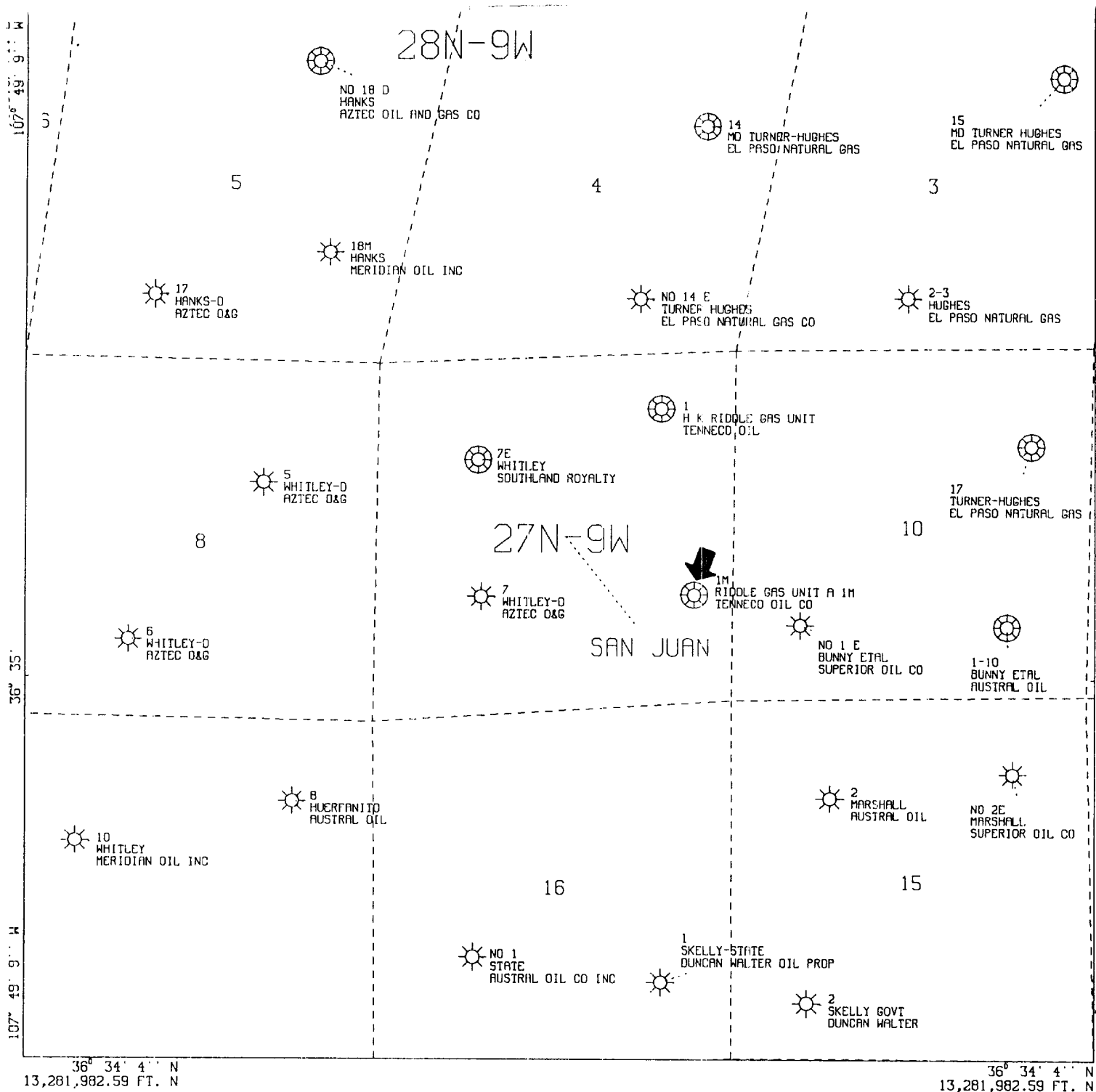
Pamela W. Staley

Enclosures

cc: Mark Rothenberg  
Patty Haefele

✓ Frank Chavez, Supervisor  
NMOCD District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, NM 87410

Duane Spencer  
Bureau of Land Management  
1235 La Plata Hwy  
Farmington, NM 87401

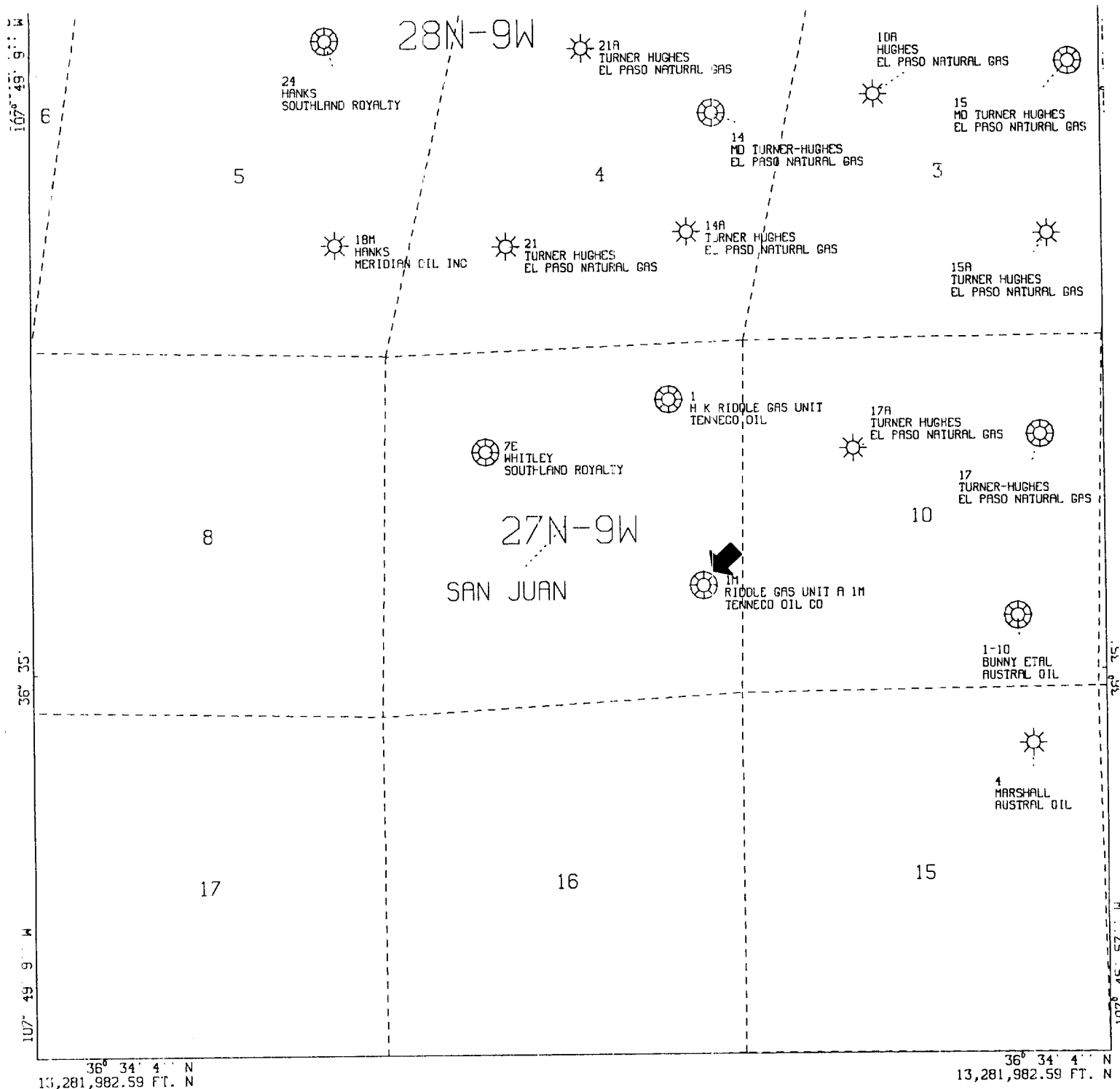


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POLYCONIC CENTRAL MERIDIAN - 107° 47' 33" W LON  
SPHEROID - 6

AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY  
PLAT MAP  
Riddle Com A 1M  
Dakota Formation

SCALE 1 IN. = 2,000 FT. JAN 25, 1936



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POLYCONIC CENTRAL MERIDIAN - 107° 47' 33" W LONG  
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AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY

PLAT MAP

Riddle Com A 1M

Mesaverde Formation

SCALE 1 IN. = 2,000 FT. JAN 25, 1996

## Application for Exception to Rule 303: SEGREGATION OF PRODUCTION FROM POOLS

### Requirements:

- (1) Name and address of the operator:

Amoco Production Company  
P.O. Box 800  
Denver, CO 80201

- (2) Lease name, well number, well location, name of the pools to be commingled:

Lease Name: Riddle Com A

Well Number: #1M

Well Location: 1590' FSL & 5700' FEL  
Unit I Section 9-T27N-R9W  
San Juan County, New Mexico

Pools Commingled: Blanco Mesaverde Pool  
Basin Dakota Pool

- (3) A plat of the area showing the acreage dedicated to the well and the ownership of all offsetting leases.

Attached

- (4) A current (within 30 days) 24-hour productivity test on Division Form C-116 showing the amount of oil, gas and water produced from each zone.

The Blanco Mesaverde produced an average stabilized rate of 10 MCFD and less than 1 BCPD. The Basin Dakota zone produced at an average rate of about 55 MCFD and less than 1 BCPD.

- (5) A production decline curve for both zones showing that for a period of at least one year a steady rate of decline has been established for each zone which will permit a reasonable allocation of the commingled production to each zone for statistical purposes.

Basin Dakota Completion:

Historical production curve attached.

Blanco Mesaverde Completion:

Historical production curve attached.

- (6) Estimated bottomhole pressure for each zone. A current (within 30 days) measured bottom hole pressure for each zone capable of flowing.

Bottomhole pressures were estimated from 72 hour shut-in pressures during a 1993 packer leakage test for the well. This test was prior to the communication between zones. Estimated bottomhole pressure in the

Mesaverde formation is 711 PSI while the estimated bottomhole pressure in the Dakota is 956 PSI. See attached calculations.

- (7) A description of the fluid characteristics of each zone showing that the fluids will not be incompatible in the wellbore.

The two formations do not produce any fluids that, when combined, would prohibit commingling or promote the creation of emulsions or scale.

- (8) A computation showing that the value of the commingled production will not be less than the sum of the values of the individual streams:

Since the BTU content of the produced gasses and the API gravities are very similar between formations, we would expect the commingled production to have a similar value as the sum of the individual streams.

- (9) A formula for the allocation of production to each of the commingled zones and a description of the factors or data used in determining such formula:

The allocation method that we plan to use for this commingled well is as follows. Since the well has been producing as a dual completion for some time, we would expect post commingling rates to be unchanged and therefore propose a percentage allocation. The Mesaverde is currently producing 10 MCFD and the Dakota is currently producing 55 MCFD. We therefore recommend that we allocate 15% of gas production to the Mesaverde and 85% of gas production to the Dakota. This well has produced a small amount of Condensate from each zone. The Dakota is currently producing approximately 0.5 BCPD and the Mesaverde is currently producing 0.85 BCPD. Based on that production we recommend that 40 % of Condensate production be attributed to the Dakota and that 60 % of Condensate production be attributed to the Mesaverde. The actual commercial value of the commingled production will not be less than the sum of the values of the production from each of the common sources of supply.

- (10) A statement that all offset operators and, in the case of a well on federal land, the United States Bureau of Land Management, have been notified in writing of the proposed commingling.

BLM will receive a copy of this application by certified mail. The offsetting operators listed on the attached sheet will receive a copy of this application by certified mail.

- (11) Referencing NMOCD Order No. 10470 Rule 303 (D) (11): In a case where there is diversity of ownership between the zones to be commingled (including working royalty, or overriding royalty interest), the applicant shall submit a statement that all such interest owners have been notified in writing of the proposed commingling.

All interest owners in the two formations will receive a copy of this application by certified mail.

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P. O. BOX 2068

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

Form C-102  
Revised 10-1-

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section.

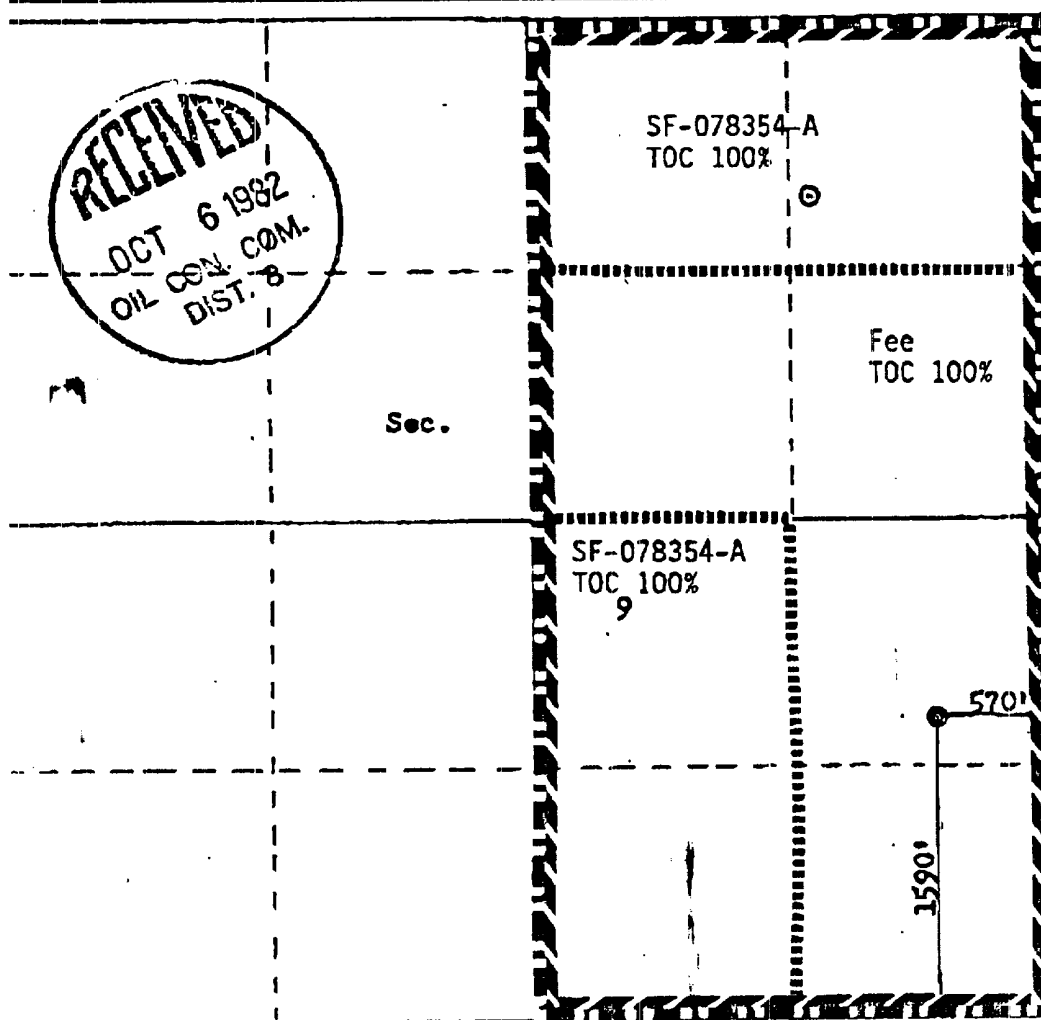
Operator <b>TENNECO OIL COMPANY</b>			Lease <b>RIDDLE GAS UNIT "A"</b>		Well No. <b>1M</b>
Well Letter <b>I</b>	Section <b>9</b>	Township <b>27N</b>	Range <b>9W</b>	County <b>San Juan</b>	
Actual Footage Location of Wells <b>1590</b> feet from the <b>South</b> line and <b>570</b> feet from the <b>East</b> line					
Ground Level Elev: <b>6158</b>	Producing Formation <b>Dakota/Mesaverde</b>		Pool <b>Basin Dakota/Blanco Mesaverde</b>		Dedicated Acreage <b>E 316.18</b> Acres

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hatchure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

☐ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation \_\_\_\_\_

If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.) \_\_\_\_\_

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Commission.



## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name

Ken Russell

Position

Sr. Production Analyst

Company

Tenneco Oil Company

Date

September 7, 1982

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Surveyed

February 1981

Registered Professional Engineer  
and Land Surveyor

Fred E. Kerr, Jr.

Certificate No. KERR, JR.

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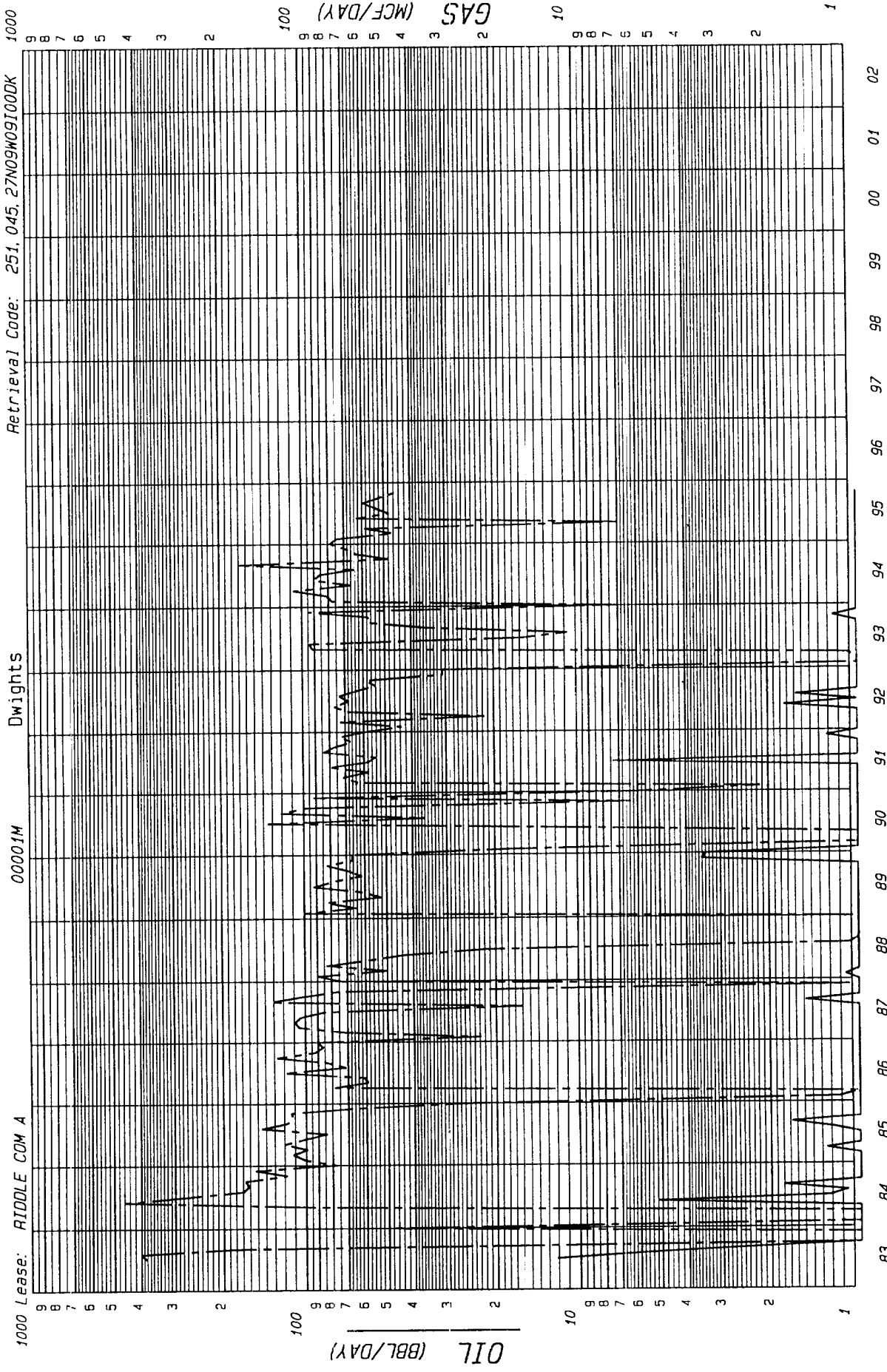
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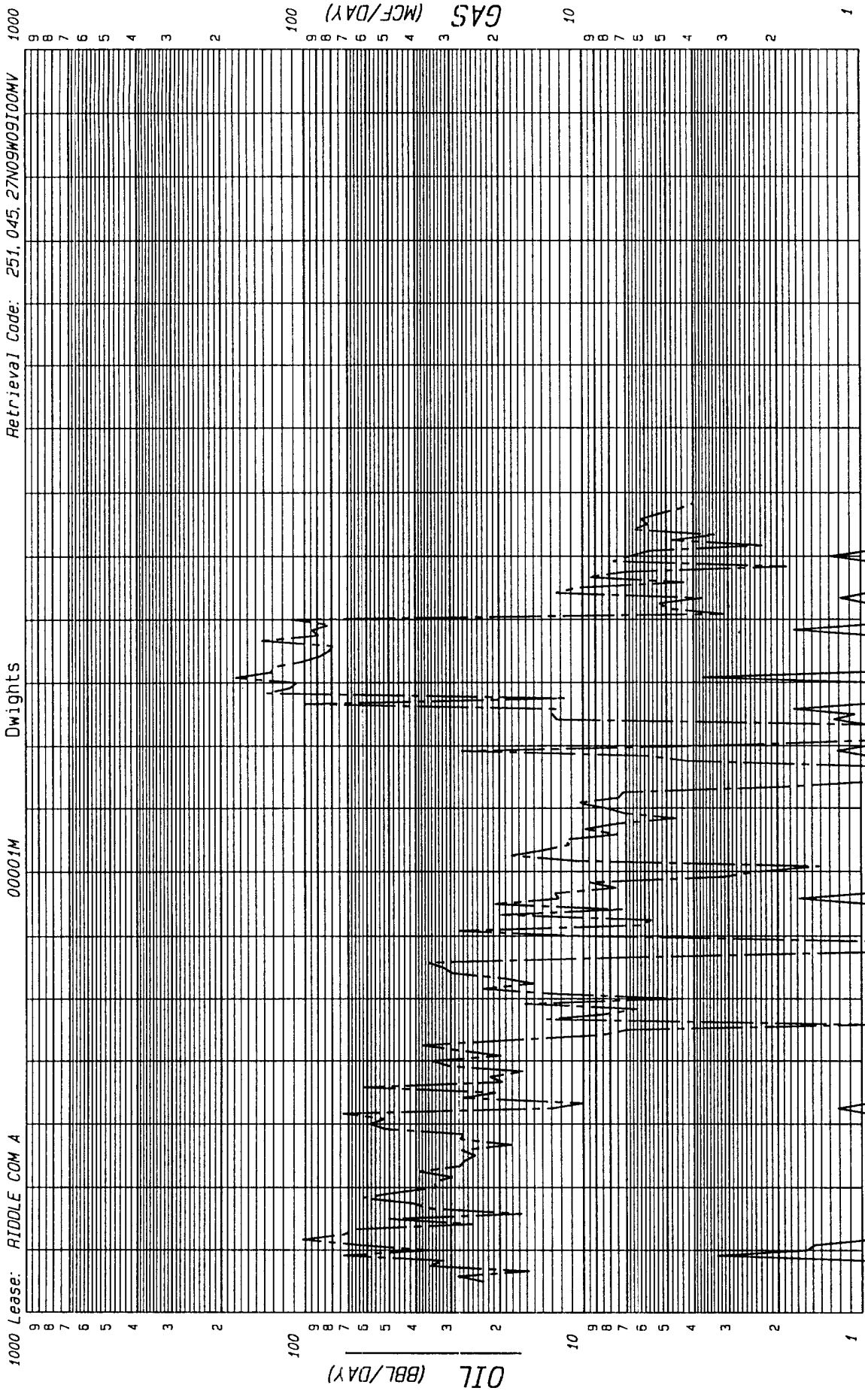




County: SAN JUAN  
Field: BASIN (DAKOTA) DK  
Reservoir: DAKOTA  
Operator: AMOCO PRODUCTION CO  
Oil Cum: 2827  
Location: 91 27N 9W  
State: NM

Date: 02-13-96

F.P. Date 06-83



County: SAN JUAN  
Field: BLANCO (MESAVERDE) MV  
Reservoir: MESAVERDE  
Operator: AMOCO PRODUCTION CO  
Oil Cum: 1828  
Gas Cum: 129008  
Location: 91 27N 9W

State: NM

Date: 02-13-96

F.P. Date 06-83

**Amoco Production Company**

Offset Operator Plat

Riddle A-1M

T27N-R9W Sec. 9

1590' FSL. & 570' FEL

Blanco Mesaverde Formation

5	②	4	②	②	3
8	①	9	RIDDLE A-1M	②	10
17	③	16	③	②	15

- ① Southland Royalty Company
- ② Meridian Oil, Inc.
- ③ El Paso Production Company

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Offset Operator Plat  
Riddle A-1M  
T27N-R9W Sec. 9  
1590' FSL & 570' FEL  
Dakota Formation

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- ① Southland Royalty Company
- ② Meridian Oil, Inc.
- ③ El Paso Production Company

LIST OF ADDRESSES FOR OFFSET OPERATORS  
RIDDLE COM A #1M

*I* Meridian Oil, Inc.  
P.O. Box 4289  
Farmington, NM 87499

69827600 00001 ZJAM63  
134698 00  
CROSS TIMBERS OIL COMPANY  
P O BOX 840287  
DALLAS TX 75284-0287

69827600 00001 ZJAM63  
617000 00  
AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY  
P O BOX 591  
TULSA OK 74102-0591

69827600 00001 ZJAM63  
682456 00  
MARGUERITE SULLIVAN FRAME ESTATE  
PAULA JAKUBANIS CONSERVATOR  
C/O SANDY ELLIOT  
HUTCHISON, HUGINS AND FREDERICK  
P O BOX 2250  
DURANGO CO 81302-2250

69946200 00001 ZJAM63  
686967 01  
TAMANACO OIL CORPORATION  
P O BOX 13326  
ALBUQUERQUE NM 87192-3326

69946200 00001 ZJAM63  
710000 01  
MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE  
ROYALTY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
PO BOX 5810 TA  
DENVER CO 80217-5810

69946200 00001 ZJAM63  
926406 00  
MADEL DISTOT AND COMPANY  
3096 WEST 109TH PLACE  
WESTMINSTER CO 80030-6826

69946200 00001 ZJAM63  
682455 00  
R DRUCE SULLIVAN  
MARY HELENE SULLIVAN SIKES ATTY-N-FACT  
P O BOX 400  
BLOOMFIELD NM 87413-0400

*ESTIMATED BOTTOMHOLE PRESSURES BY FORMATION*

Riddle Com A #1M

MV Perforations at 4458' - 4618' midperf at 4538'

DK Perforations at 6704'-6782' midperf at 6743'

9/19/93 PACKER LEAKAGE TEST PRESSURE DATA

6/94 shut in pressures --- MV = 348 PSIG

DK = 417 PSIG

GRADIENT = 0.08 PSI/FT

MV BHP = 348 PSIG + 4538' X 0.08 PSIG  
= 711 PSIG

DK BHP = 417 psig + 6743' X 0.08 PSIG  
= 956 PSIG