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State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6429 Form C-107-A New 3-12-96

APPROVAL PROCESS :

X Administrative ___Hearing

APPLICATION FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING

EXISTING WELLBORE
__YES _x_NO

erator		Address	
LLISON UNIT	44A	O 30-32N-6W	San Juan
GRID NO14538 Proper	Well No. by Code _6785 API N	Unit Ltr Sec - Twp - Rge IO30-045-29475 Feder	County Spacing Unit Lease Types: (check 1 or more) alX, State, (and/or) FeeX
The following facts are submitteen support of downhole commingling:	Upper Zone	Interne Zon	diate Lower Cone
Pool Name and Pool Code	Blanco Mesaverde - 7	72319	Basin Dakota - 71599
2. Top and Bottom of Pay Section (Perforations)	will be supplied upon completion	DEGEIM	will be supplied upon completion
3. Type of production (Oil or Gas)	gas		gas
4. Method of Production (Flowing or Artificial Lift)	flowing	001 2 1 19	flowing
5. Bottomhole Pressure Oil Zones - Artificial Lift:	(Current) a. 749 psi (see attac	hment) OHL CON. DIST. 3	a. 1217 psi (see attachment)
Estimated Current Gas & Oil - Flowing: Measured Currei All Gas Zones: Estimated or Measured Original	(Original) nt b. 1356 psi (see atta		b. 3395 psi (see attachment)
6. Oil Gravity (°API) or Gas BTU Content	BTU 998		BTU 957
7. Producing or Shut-In?	shut-in		shut-in
Production Marginal? (yes or no) no		yes
* If Shut-In and oil/gas/water rates of last production	Date: n/a Rates:	Date: Rates:	Date: n/a Rates:
Note: For new zones with no production histor applicant shall be required to attach production estimates and supporting data	k [.]		
* If Producing, give data and oil/gas/water water of recent tes (within 60 days)	Date: n/a Rates:	Date: Rates:	Date: n/a Rates:
8. Fixed Percentage Allocation Formula -% for each zone (total of %'s to equal 100%)	Oil: % Gae: % will be supplied upon con	Oil: Gas	Oil: Gas: % will be supplied upon completion
			duction, or is based upon some other met ng rate projections or other required data.
	en given written notice (of the proposed downhole co	mininging: _x_ies No
production be recovered, a	nd will the allocation for	mula be reliablex Yes	ormations not be damaged, will any cross-flo No (If No, attach explanation)
2. Are all produced fluids from			_x_Yes No
3. Will the value of production	_		(If Yes, attach explanation) missioner of Public Lands or the United S X_Yes No

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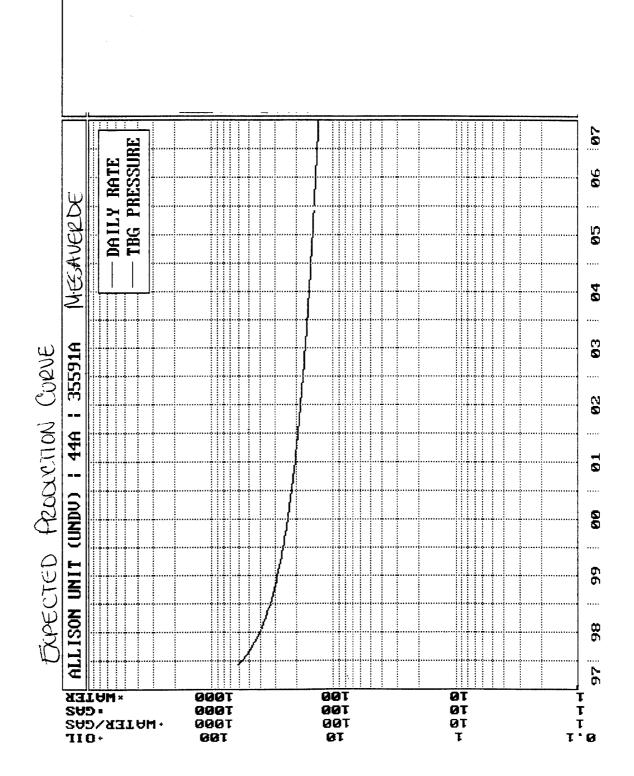
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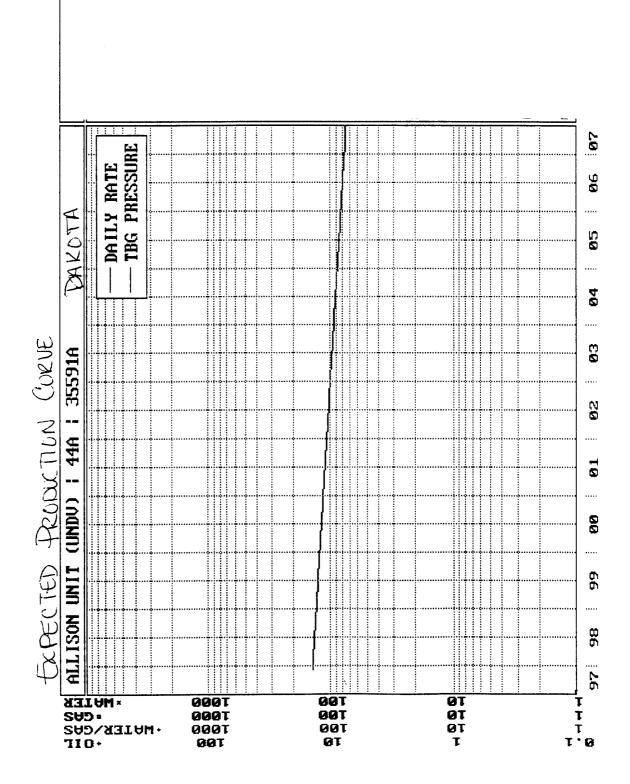
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Fee Laure - 3 Con District IV PO Box 1048. Santa Fe. NM 87504-2088 AMENDED REPO WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT API Number Poel Code 30-045-72319/71599 Blanco Mesaverde/Basin Dakota ' Property Code · Well Number 6784 <u>Allison Unit</u> 44A OGRID No. Operator Name * Element 14538 BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY 6368' ¹⁰ Surface Location UL or lot se. Lot ida North/South time Foot from the Feet from the East West time County 0 30 32-N 6-W 790 South 1780 East S.J. 11 Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface UL or tot se. Rame Lot ida Feet from the North/South time East West time County " Dedicated Acres " Joint or Infill 1" Conscidetion Code 1" Order No. MV-S/320 NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION 16 /275./2" 1314.06 17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATIO 2657.82' I hereby certify that the informat true and complete to the best of my line Signature Peggy Bradfield Printed Name Regulatory Administrator Reissued to show well name change Date "SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION NMe pieces from fleid news of act 04207 correct to the best of my belief. SF-081155 Date of Survey Ò M /780° 1321.98

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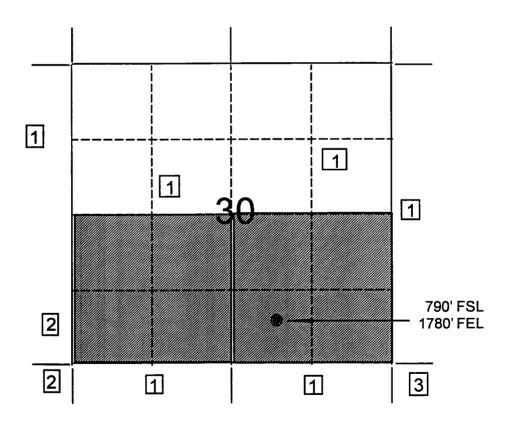


BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL AND GAS COMPANY

Allison Unit #44A OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT

Mesaverde / Dakota Formations Commingle Well

Township 32 North, Range 6 West



- 1) Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company
- 2) Phillips Petroleum 5525 U.S. Hwy 64 Farmington, NM 87401
- 3) Williams Production P.O. Box 3102 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101

Allison Unit #44A

Bottom Hole Pressures Flowing and Static BHP Cullender and Smith Method Version 1.0 3/13/94

Mesaverde	Dakota		
MV-Current	<u>DK-Current</u>		
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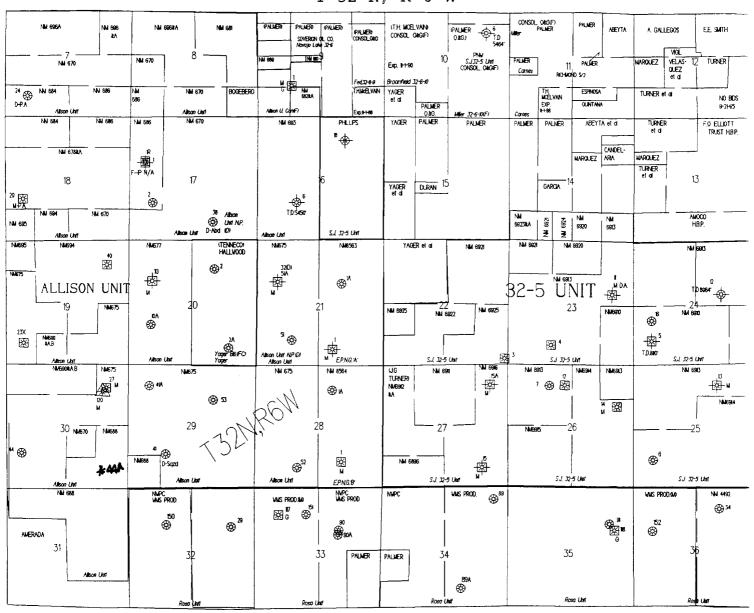
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 10743 Order No. R-9918

APPLICATION OF MERIDIAN OIL INC. FOR DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING AND FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING PROCEDURE WITHIN THE ALLISON UNIT AREA. SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on June 17, 1993, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner David R. Catanach.

NOW, on this 6th day of July, 1993, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) The applicant, Meridian Oil Inc., seeks approval to commingle gas production from the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools within the Allison Unit Well No. 9R located 1720 feet from the North line and 1655 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 13, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (3) The applicant further seeks the adoption of an administrative procedure for authorizing the downhole commingling of Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Poor production within certain existing and subsequently drilled wells in its Allison Unit Area. San Juan County, New Mexico, without additional notice to each affected interest owner within the Unit Area.

- (4) The Allison Unit Well No. 9R is to be drilled as a replacement well for the Allison Unit Well No. 9 which is located 1765 feet from the North line and 1500 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 13 and which is currently completed in and producing from the Basin-Dakota Pool.
- (5) The Allison Unit Well No. 9 was drilled in 1955 and has cumulatively recovered some 4.4 BCF of gas from the Basin-Dakota Pool.
- (6) Due to the age and mechanical condition of the Allison Unit Well No. 9, the applicant has estimated that it will not recover some 1.7 BCF of gas in the Basin-Dakota Pool underlying the E/2 of Section 13.
- (7) Applicant's testimony indicates that due to economics, the Allison Unit Well No. 9R cannot be drilled solely to recover gas reserves in the Basin-Dakota Pool.
- (8) The applicant expects to encounter marginal production only from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool.
- (9) The proposed downhole commingling is necessary in order for the applicant to economically recover Basin-Dakota and Blanco-Mesaverde Pool reserves underlying the E/2 of Section 13.
- (10) The Allison Unit is a Federal exploratory unit initially comprising some 11,705 acres in New Mexico and some 2,069 acres in Colorado. Within New Mexico, the unit comprises portions of Township 32 North, Ranges 6 and 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County. The unit was formed in 1950 and is currently operated by Meridian Oil Inc.
- (11) The evidence and testimony presented indicates that the Basin-Dakota and Bianco-Mesaverde Pools have both been substantially developed within the Allison Unit.
- (12) The applicant has identified numerous Mesaverde and Dakota well locations within the Allison Unit which by virtue of marginal gas reserves and resulting poor economics cannot be economically drilled and produced as stand alone units.
- (13) The current well economics and projected Dakota and Mcsaverde gas reserves underlying these respective tracts virtually assure that these wells must be downhole commingled in order to meet the economic criteria for drilling.
- (14) The applicant expects initial producing rates from both the Mesaverde and Dakota formations to be fairly marginal in nature.

- (15) The applicant further demonstrated through its evidence and testimony that within the wells it proposes or will propose to commingle within the Unit Area:
 - a) there will be no crossflow between the two commingled pools;
 - b) neither commingled zone exposes the other to damage by produced liquids;
 - c) the fluids from each zone are compatible with the other;
 - d) the bottomhole pressure of the lower pressure zone should not be less than 50 percent of the bottomhole pressure of the higher pressure zone adjusted to a common datum; and,
 - e) the value of the commingled production is not less than the sum of the values of the individual production.
- (16) The Dakota and Mesaverde Participating Areas within the Allison Unit are not common.
- (17) By virtue of different Participating Areas, the interest ownership between the Dakota and Mesaverde formations within any given wellbore is not common.
- (18) Applicant's Exhibit No. 2 in this case is a list of three hundred and fift four (354) interest owners in the Dakota and Mesaverde Participating Areas within the Allison Unit. All such interest owners were notified of the application in this case.
- (19) Rule No. 303(C) of the Division Rules and Regulations provides tha administrative approval for downhole commingling may be granted provided that th interest ownership, including working, royalty and overriding royalty interest, is common among the commingled zones.
- (20) Applicant's proposed administrative procedure would provide for Divisio: approval to downhole commingle wells in the Allison Unit Area without hearing, and without the requirement that each interest owner in the Dakota and Mesaverd Participating Areas be notified of such commingling.
- (21) The downhole commingling of wells within the Allison Unit Area will benefit working, royalty and overriding royalty interest owners. In addition, the downhole commingling of wells within the Allison Unit Area should not violate the correlative rights of any interest owner.

- (22) evidence in this case indicates that. 5 to each interest owner within the Dakota an Assaverde Participating Areas of subsequent downhole comminglings within the Allison Unit is unnecessary and is an excessive burden on the applicant.
- (23) No interest owner and/or offset operator appeared at the hearing in opposition to the application.
- (24) An administrative procedure should be established within the Allison Unit for obtaining approval for subsequently downhole commingled wells without notice to Unit interest owners and hearing, provided however that, all provisions contained within Rule No. 303(C) of the Division Rules and Regulations, with the exception of Part 1 (b)(v), are fully complied with.
- (25) The proposed administrative procedure for obtaining approval for downhole commingling will allow the applicant the opportunity to recover additional gas reserves from the Allison Unit Area which may otherwise not be recovered, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.
- (26) In the interest of prevention of waste and protection of correlative rights, the proposed downhole commingling within the Allison Unit Well No. 9R should be approved.
- (27) The applicant should consult with the supervisor of the Aztec District Office of the Division subsequent to the completion of the subject well in order to determine a proper allocation of production.
- (28) The operator should immediately notify the supervisor of the Aztec district office of the Division any time the subject well has been shut-in for seven consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Division, a plan for remedial action.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The applicant, Meridian Oil Inc., is hereby authorized to commingle gas production from the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools within the Allison Unit Well No. 9R located 1720 feet from the North line and 1655 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 13, Township 32 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
- (2) The applicant shall consult with the supervisor of the Aztec district office of the Division subsequent to the completion of the subject well in order to determine a proper allocation of production.

- (3) The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Aztec district office of the Division any time the subject well has been shut-in for seven consecutive days and shall concurrently present, to the Division, a plan for remedial action.
- (4) An administrative procedure for obtaining approval to downhole commingle wells within the Allison Unit, located in portions of Township 32 North, Ranges 6 and 7 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, is hereby established.
- (5) In order to obtain Division authorization to downhole commingle wells within the Allison Unit, the applicant shall file an application with the Santa Fe and Aztec Offices of the Division. Such application shall contain all of the information required under Rule No. 303(C) of the Division Rules and Regulations, provided however that the applicant shall not be required to provide notice to all interest owners within the Dakota and Mesaverde Participating Areas in the Allison Unit of such proposed commingling. In addition, the application shall contain evidence that all offset operators and the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM) have been notified of the proposed commingling.
- (6) Jurisdiction is hereby retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LEMAY

Director