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March 31, 2003

State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe. New Mexico

Re: Surface Commingling Rule 19.15.5.303

Dear Sir or Madam:

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Oil Conservation Division

Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. wishes to apply for an exception to Rule 303A to permit commingling in common facilities of examinating production from two or more examinant sources of supply.

Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. currently operates 2 wells in Section 23-30N-14W and one well in Section 22-30N-14W. The two wells in Section 23 are the Morton #3 and Morton #4. The well in Section 22 is the Roosevelt #3. All three wells are newly drilled wells which are scheduled to be completed in the near future.

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The Morton #3 (API No. 30-045-31215) is located in NW/4 Section 23-30N-14W, San Juan County, New Mexico. The well will be completed in the Basin Fruitland Coal (Pool No.71629) and the Harper Hill FS/PC (Pool No.78160). El Paso will install a CPD meter at or near this location. Calpine will install an allocation meter for this well. Calpine will install a low-pressure gas pipeline to gather gas from the three wells. Calpine will install a compressor at this location to compress gas from the three wells to be delivered into El Paso.

The Morton #4 (API No. 30-045-31214) is located in SW/4 Section 23-30N-14W, San Juan County, New Mexico. The well will be completed in the Basin Fruitland Coal (Pool No.71629) and the Harper Hill FS/PC (Pool No.78160). Calpine will install a low-pressure natural gas pipeline to the Morton #3 and connect to the compressor at the Morton #3. Calpine will install an allocation meter for this well.

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The Roosevelt #3 (API No. 30-045-31223) is located in SE/4 Section 22-30N-14W, San Juan County, New Mexico. The well will be completed in the Basin Fruitland Coal (Pool No.71629) and the Harper Hill FS/PC (Pool No.78160). Calpine will install a low-pressure natural gas pipeline to the Morton #3 and connect to the compressor at the Morton #3. Calpine will install an allocation meter for this well.

Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. proposes the following:

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- 1.) El Paso Natural Gas will install a new central delivery point meter at or near the Morton #3. This will serve as the sales meter for the Morton #3 and the Morton #4 and Roosevelt #3..
- 2.) Calpine will install a low-pressure gas pipeline to connect the Morton #4 and the Roosevelt #3 to the new compressor at the Morton #3 location.
- 3.) Utilize the compression facility at the Morton #3 location to compress and surface commingle the gas from the Morton #3 and Morton #4 and Roosevelt #3.
- 4.) Install an allocation meter at the Morton #3.
- 5.) Install an allocation meter at the Morton #4.
- 6.) Install an allocation meter at the Roosevelt #3.
- 7.) The compressor fuel use will be determined by the compressor rating and allocated based on the individual well production.
- 8.) The allocated sales for each well will be based on the gas sales from the central delivery point adjusted for BTU content and allocated back based on each well's allocation meter volume adjusted for BTU content.

Attached please find a diagram of the surface commingling proposal.

Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. is requesting administrative approval to grand an exception to Rule 303A. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

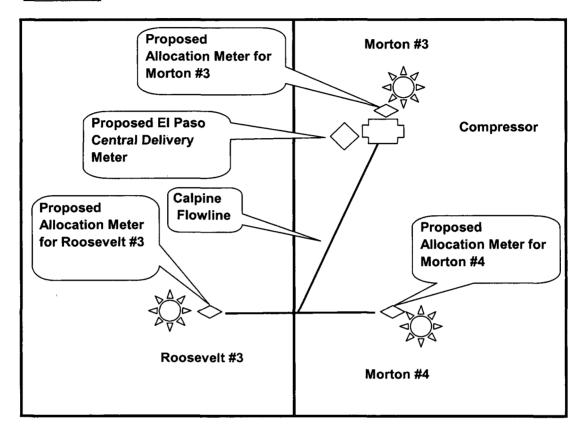
Sincerely,

Hugo Cartaya

Rocky Mountains Production Manager

E/2 Section 22-30N-14W W/2 Section 23-30N-14W San Juan County, New Mexico

(not to scale)



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Re: Application for Surface Commingling for San Juan County, New Mexico wells.

Subject: Morton #3 – NW/4 Section 23-30N-14W Morton #4 – SW/4 Section 23-30N-14W Roosevelt #3 – SE/4 Section 22-30N-14W

## Dear Interest Owner:

Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. has applied for surface commingling with the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for the subject wells. Attached please find a copy of the application submitted.

As a result of the proposed commingling, Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. anticipates the following:

- 1.) A reduction in operating expenses as a result of utilizing more efficient compressors which will reduce the per well rental fees as the cost is allocated over several wells.
- 2.) A reduction in the gas use to operate the compressor as gas use will be allocated over more wells.
- 3.) More efficient operations as compressors can be optimized for specific needs.

According to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division regulations, you have 20 days to file a protest with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Surface Commingling Rule 19.15.5.303

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to notify you that Calpine Natural Gas Company, L.P. has sent letters via certified mail notifying all of the working interest owners, royalty owners and overriding royalty interest owners of Calpine's proposed surface commingling proposal for the application for the Morton #3 and Morton #4 and Roosevelt #3. Attached please find copies of the letters and packages sent to the interested partners.

Sincerely,

Hugo Cartaya

Director - Rocky Mountain Production