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Application for Exception to Rule 303-C Downhole Commingling Case B #4A Well 1450' FNL & 1175' FEL, Unit H Section 18-T31N-R11W Blanco Pictured Cliffs (Pool IDN 72359) and Blanco Mesaverde (Pool IDN 72319) Pools San Juan County, New Mexico

Amoco Production Company hereby requests administrative approval to downhole commingle production from the Blanco Pictured Cliffs and Blanco Mesaverde Pools in the Case B #4A well referenced above. The Case B #4A is currently a dual completion in the Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde formations. We plan to complete the well with both the Pictured Cliffs and Mesaverde formations being downhole commingled in the wellbore. This well will benefit from downhole commingling because of the reduced costs of operation offered by commingling. The two zones are expected to produce at a total commingled rate of about 204 MCFD with less than 1 BCPD. The ownership (WI, RI,ORI) of these pools is common in this wellbore. Downhole commingling will offer an economical method of production while protecting against reservoir damage, waste of reserves and violation of correlative rights. Offset operators to this well will receive a copy of this application by certified mail.

The allocation method that we plan to use for this commingled well is as follows. Both formations have been producing at stabilized rates for some time. We recommend that the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs formations gas and condensate be allocated based on current rates. The Mesaverde is currently producing at 170 MCFD with 0.83 BCPD while the Pictured Cliffs is currently producing 34 MCFD with no condensate. The recommended allocation percentages after downhole commingling would be set as a percentage of the total rate with the Mesaverde attributing 83% of gas production and 100% of condensate production. The Pictured Cliffs would be allocated at 16% of gas production and no condensate production. 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 are plats 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-078095) 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.

Sincere Pamela W. Staley

Enclosures

cc: Khanh Vu Gail Jefferson

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

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

Requirements

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(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:	Case B
Well Number:	4A
Well Location:	1450' FNL & 1175' FEL
	Unit H Section 18-T31N-R11W
	San Juan County, New Mexico
Pools Commingled:	Blanco Mesaverde Pool
-	Blanco Pictured Cliffs 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 170 MCFD and 0.82 BCPD. The Blanco Pictured Cliffs zone produced at an average rate of about 34 MCFD and no condensate.

(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.

Blanco Mesaverde Completion: Blanco Pictured Cliffs Completion: Historical production curve attached. 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 packer leakage test for the well. Estimated bottomhole pressure in the Pictured Cliffs formation is 512 PSI while the estimated bottomhole pressure in the Mesaverde is 667 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 measurable amount of fluids and therefore are not expected to any effect that 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 are very similar, 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:

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(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 are common.



POLYCONIC CENTRAL MERIDIAN - 108° 1' 49'' W LON SPHEROID - 6 AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY PLAT MAP Case B 4A Offset Wells SCALE 1 IN. = 2,000 FT. APR 28, 1995

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Form C-102 Supersedes C-121 Effective 1-1-65

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ESTIMATED BOTTOMHOLE PRESSURES BY FORMATION Case B #4A

PC Perforations at 2826-2914' midperf at 2870' MV Perforations at 5430-5302' midperf at 5494'

10/95 shut in pressures --- MV =228 PSIG PC =282 PSIG

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MV BHP = 228 PSIG + 5494' X 0.08 PSIG = 667 PSIG

PC BHP = 282 PSIG +2870' X 0.08 PSIG =512 PSIG

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY and MINERALS DEPARTMENT

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Location of Well: H183111 Page 1

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO PACKER-LEAKAGE TEST

Operator: AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY Lease/Well #:CASE B 004A Meter #:90761 RTU:0-000-00 County:SAN JUAN P//

	NAME RESERVOIR OR POOL	TYPE PROD	METHOD PROD	MEDIUM PROD
UPR COMP	CASE B 004A BPC 90760	GAS	FLOW	TBG
LWR COMP	CASE B 004A BMV 90761	GAS	FLOW	TBG

PRE-FLOW SHUT-IN PRESSURE DATA

	Hour/Date Shut-In	Length of Time Shut-In	SI Press. PSIG	Stabilzed
UPR COMP	10/07/95			
LWR COMP	10/07/95			
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10/22/95	Day 6	282#	157#			

Production rate during test

Oil: _____ BOPD based on ____BBLs in ____Hrs ___Grav___GOR ___ Gas: ______ MFCPD: Tested theu (Orifice or Meter) : METER _____ MID-TEST SHUT-IN PRESSURE DATA

	Hour, Date SI	Length of Time SI	SI Press. PSIG	Stabilized (yes/no)
UPR COMP				
LWR				
COMP				

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Amoco Production Company

Offset Operator Plat Case /B/ 4A T31N-R11W Sec. 18 Blanco Mesaverde Formation



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 Southland Royalty Company
 Kimbark Oil & Gas Co.

(4) Meridian Oil Production Inc.

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Offset Operator Plat Case /B/ 4A T31N-R11W Sec. 18 **Blanco Pictured Cliffs Formation**



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LIST OF ADDRESSES FOR OFFSET OPERATORS Case B #4A

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