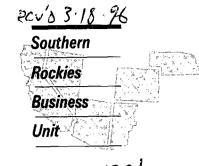
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March 12, 1996

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 Heaton LS #9 Well 990' FNL & 1495' FEL, Unit B Section 32-T31N-R11W Aztec Pictured Cliffs (Pool IDN 71280) 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 Aztec Pictured Cliffs and Blanco Mesaverde Pools in the Heaton LS #9 well referenced above. The Heaton LS #9 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 and because the well logs off due to low gas rates and liquid loading. The two zones are expected to produce at a total commingled rate of about 64 MCFD with less than 1 BCPD. The ownership (WI, RI,ORI) of these pools is not 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. 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. 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 59 MCFD with 0.01 BCPD while the Pictured Cliffs is currently producing 5 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 92% of gas production and 100% of condensate production. The Pictured Cliffs would be allocated at 8% of gas 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-078097) 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 SML Pamela W. Staley

Enclosures

cc: Khanh Vu Gail Jefferson

> 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

### 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:	Heaton LS
Well Number: Well Location:	9 990' FNL & 1495' FEL Unit B Section 32-T31N-R11W San Juan County, New Mexico
Pools Commingled:	Blanco Mesaverde Pool Aztec 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 59 MCFD and 0.01 BCPD. The Aztec Pictured Cliffs zone produced at an average rate of about 5 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: Aztec 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 465 PSI while the estimated bottomhole pressure in the Mesaverde is 746 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:

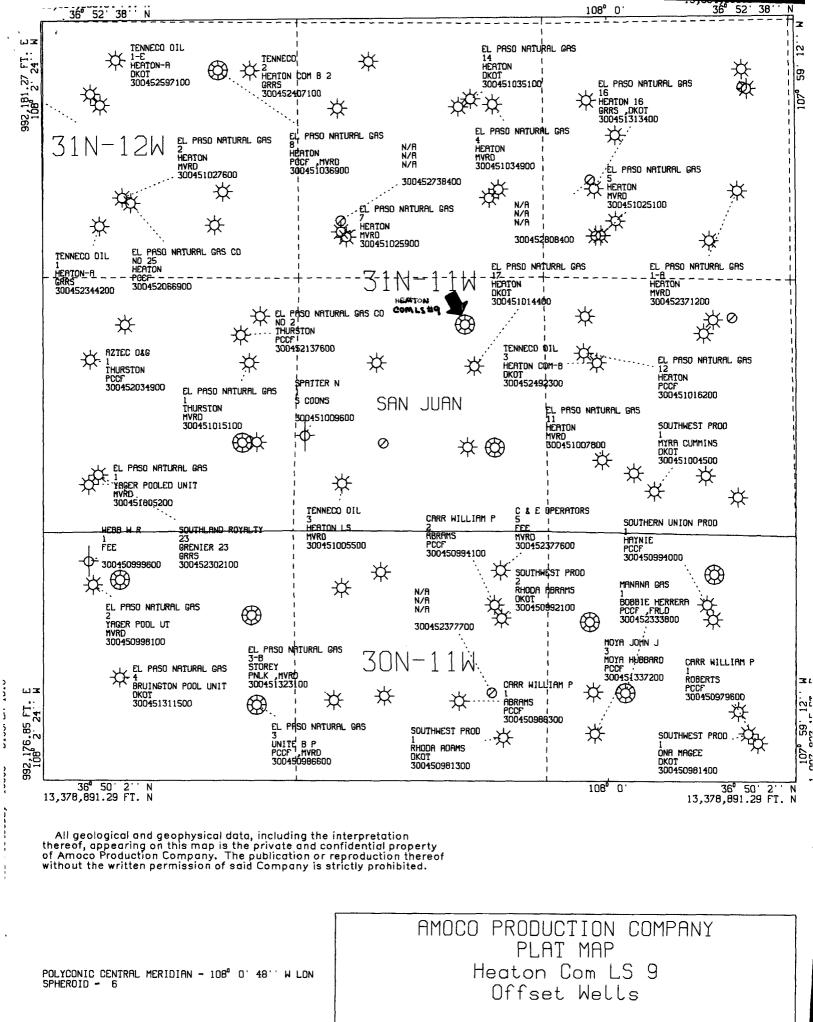
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(10) A statement that all offset operators and, in the case of a well on federal land, the United States Bureau of Land Management, have been notified in writing of the proposed commingling.

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.

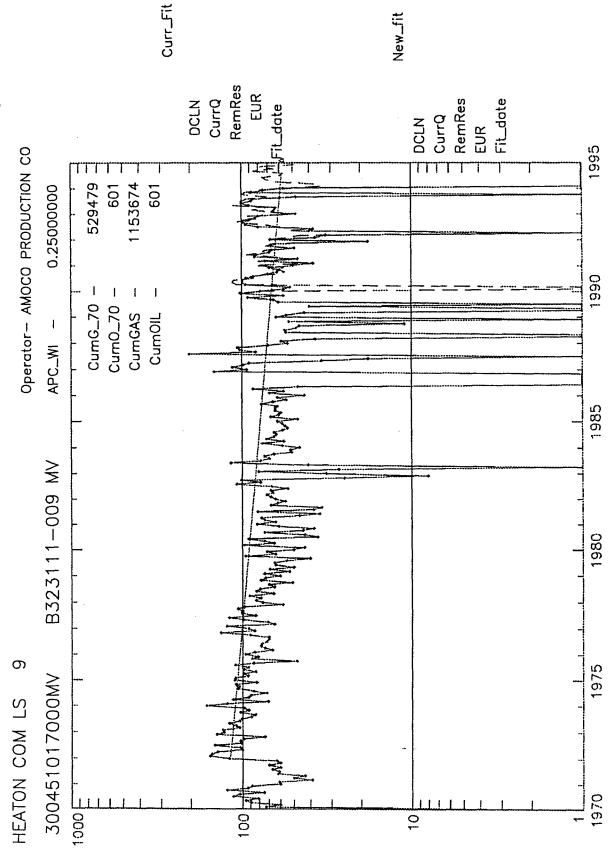
All interest owners in the two formations will receive a copy of this application by certified mail.



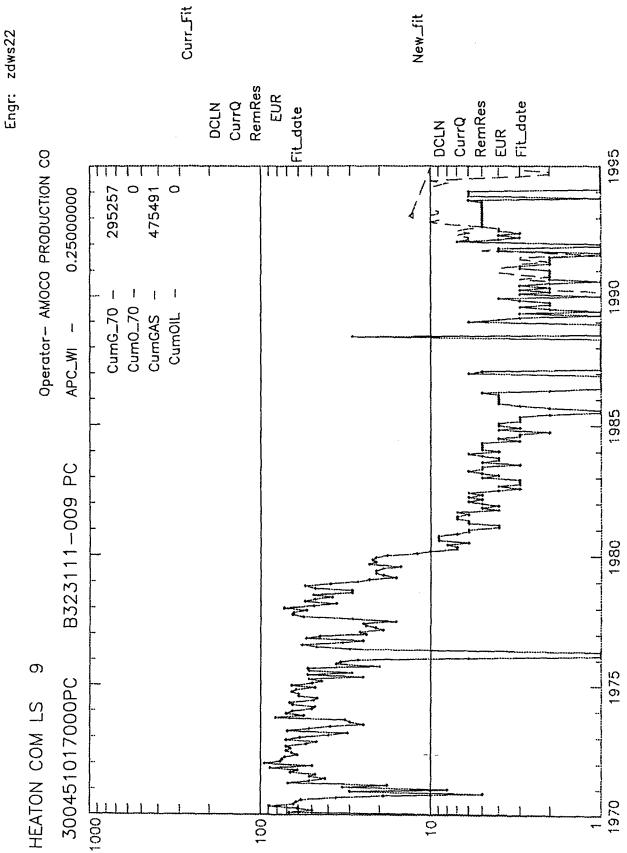
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### ESTIMATED BOTTOMHOLE PRESSURES BY FORMATION Heaton LS #9

PC Perforations at 2400-2442' midperf at 2421' MV Perforations at 4651-4766' midperf at 4708'

7/94 shut in pressures ---- MV =370 PSIG PC =272 PSIG

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MV BHP =370 PSIG + 4708' X 0.08 PSIG =746 PSIG

PC BHP = 272 PSIG +2421' X 0.08 PSIG =465 PSIG

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### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY and MINERALS DEPARTMENT

# B-32-31-11

Location of Well: B323111 Page 1

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO PACKER-LEAKAGE TEST

Operator: AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY Lease/Well #:HEATON COM LS 009 County: SAN JUAN Meter #:71692 RTU:0-000-00

	NAME RESERVOIR OR POOL	TYPE PROD	METHOD PROD	MEDIUM PROD
UPR COMP	HEATON COM LS 009 PC 71692	GAS	FLOW	TBG
LWR COMP	HEATON COM LS 009 MV 71584	GAS	FLOW	TBG

PRE-FLOW SHUT-IN PRESSURE DATA

	Hour/Date Shut-In	Length of Time Shut-In	SI Press. PSIG	Stabilzed
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(hour, date)	SINCE*	Upper	Lower	Temp.	REMARKS
07/20/95	Day 1	179	399		Both Zones SI
07/21/95	Day 2	215	410	205	Both Zones SI
07/22/95	Day 3	242	415	243	Both Zones SI
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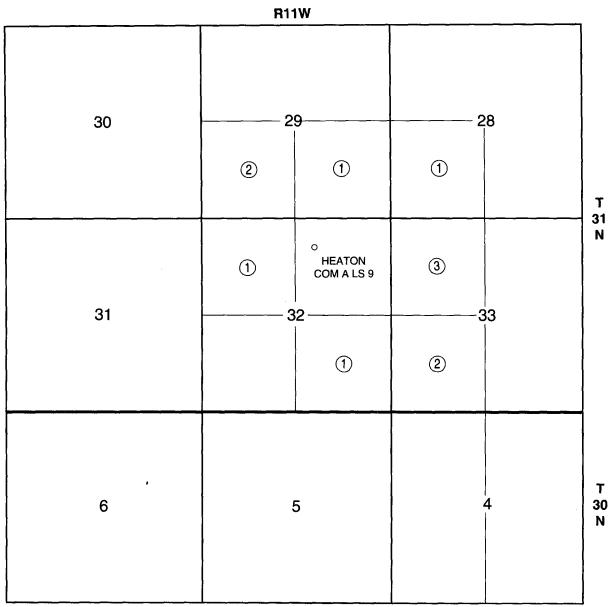
Production rate during test

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## **Amoco Production Company**

**Offset Operator Plat** Heaton Com A LS 9 T31N-R11W Sec. 32 **Aztec Pictured Cliffs Formation** 



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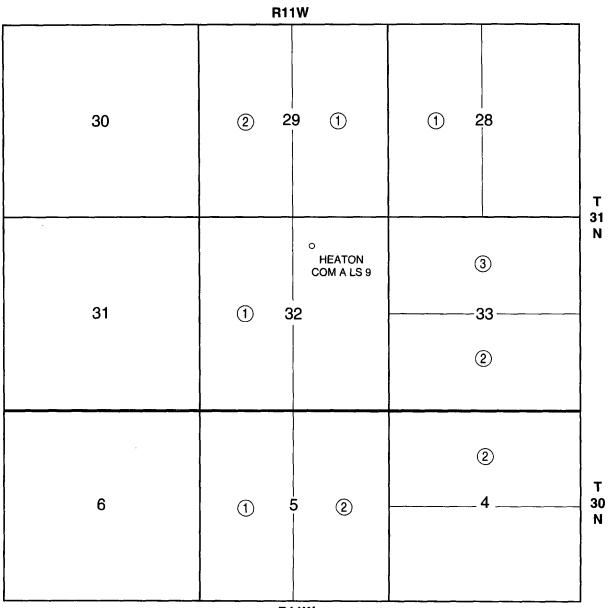
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## **Amoco Production Company**

**Offset Operator Plat** Heaton Com A LS 9 T31N-R11W Sec. 32 **Blanco Mesaverde Formation** 



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(3) Conoco Inc.

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### LIST OF ADDRESSES FOR OFFSET OPERATORS Heaton LS #9

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