OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P. O. Box 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NFL 118

INFILL DRILLING FINDINGS AND WELL-SPACING WAIVER MADE PURSUANT TO SECTION 271.305(b) OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION REGULATIONS, NATURAL GAS POLICY ACT OF 1978 AND OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION ORDER NO. R-6013

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Operator	ARCO OIL 8	GAS	COMPA	NY		Wel	1 Name	and No.	State	Vacuum	<u>llnit</u>	Well No	2. 22
Location:	Unit <u>F</u>	_Sec.	32	Twp	17 <u>5</u>	Rng	34E	Cty.	Lea	a			
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THE DIVISION FINDS:

(1) That Section 271.305(b) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Interim Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 provides that, in order for an infill well to qualify as a new onshore production well under Section 103 of said Act, the Division must find, prior to the commencement of drilling, that the well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within that unit, and must grant a waiver of existing well-spacing requirements.

(2) That by Order No. R-6013, dated June 7, 1979, the Division established an administrative procedure whereby the Division Director and the Division Examiners are empowered to act for the Division and find that an infill well is necessary.

(3) That the well for which a finding is sought is to be completed in the <u>Vacuum Grayburg San</u> <u>Andres</u> Pool, and the standard spacing unit in said pool is <u>40</u> acres.

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(6) That said proration unit is not being effectively and efficiently drained by the existing well(s) on the unit.

(7) That the drilling and completion of the well for which a finding is sought should result in the production of an additional 12,950 MCF of gas from the protation unit which would not otherwise be recovered.

(8) That all the requirements of Order No. R-6013 have been complied with, and that the well for which a finding is sought is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within the unit.

(9) That in order to permit effective and efficient drainage of said proration unit, the subject application should be approved as an exception to the standard well spacing requirements for the pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the applicant is hereby authorized to drill the well described in Section I above as an infill well on the existing proration unit described in Section II(4) above. The authorization for infill drilling granted by this order is an exception to applicable well spacing requirements and is necessary to permit the drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well thereon.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

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Operator	ARCO Dilt Gas Company	_ Well Name and No.	State Vacuum	Unit Well No. 22
Location:	Unit F Sec. 32 Twp. 17 South	Rng. <u>34 East</u> Cty.	hea	

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 (4) That a _______ -acre proration unit comprising the <u>SE/4</u> NW/4

 of Sec. <u>32</u>, Twp. <u>17 South</u>, Rng. <u>34 Fast</u>, is currently dedicated to the <u>State Vacuum Well</u>

 No. 8 _______ located in Unit F of said section. Applicant's

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this _____ day of _____, 19_____, 19_____,

DIVISION DIRECTOR

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Table I

Basic Reservoir Data

Unit:	State Vacuum Unit
Operator:	ARCO Oil and Gas Company
Field:	Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres
Lithology:	Dolomite and Limestone
Area:	800 Acres
Average Porosity:	9.88%
Average Permeability:	17.8 md
Initial Formation Volume Factor:	1.26 RB/STB
Connate Water Saturation:	26.5%
Residual Oil Saturation:	30.0%
Oil Gravity:	37° API
Average GOR:	175 SCF/bbl
Original Oil In Place:	13,306 MSTB0
Primary Recovery (40-acres):	3,266 MSTB0
Secondary Recovery (40-acres):	1,700 MSTB0



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Appendix A

I. Incremental Secondary Reserves with 20-acre Infills:

OOIP = 13,306 MBO (Eng. Study 1976) Recovery Factor = .039 (EVU Eng. Study, Phillips) Additional Reserves from 20-acre Spacing = 519 MBO Unit Area = 800 acres therefore, Equivalent 20-acre infills required = 20 519 MBO + 20 Wells = 26 MBO/Well Incremental Oil (26 MBO/Well)(175 SCF/STB) = 4.55 MMCF/Well Incremental Gas

II. Undrained Primary Reserves for Typical 20-acre Infill Location :

Øh = 4.56 (log data)
Sw = .265 (Eng. Study 1976)
Recovery Factor = .248 (Eng. Study 1976)
Boi = 1.26 RB/STB (Eng. Study 1976)
A = 5 acres (Undrained area planimetered from drainage maps)

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Reserves from
20-acre Spacing

25.6 MBO x 175 SCF/STB = 4.48 MMCF Primary Gas

III. New Primary Reserves from A Lower Zone:

22.4 MBO x (175 SCF/STB) = 3.92 MMCF Primary Gas

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ARCO Oil and Gas Company Natural Gas Marketing Post Office Box 2819 Dallas, Texas 75221 Telephone 214 880 4675

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Paul T. Davis Manager, Gas Regulations

December 5, 1983





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Department of Energy and Minerals Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

RE: NGPA - Well Pricing Category Determination State Vacuum Unit #22 Lea County, New Mexico AR #46429

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Order No.R-5878-B of the Oil Conservation Division, ARCO Oil and Gas Company, a Division of Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO), hereby submits an original and one copy of an application for determination of Section 103, New Onshore Well, pricing category for the above captioned well.

Also, please find our application for "Natural Gas Policy Act Infill Findings Administration Procedure".

Co-owners with different Purchasers than those listed on Form 121 should furnish a copy of these documents to said purchaser(s).

Please return the extra copy of this letter with evidence of your receipt thereof, in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,

Donna D. Hamon

Donna G. Harrison Sr. Gas Regulations Administrator (214) 880-5168

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Enclosures

State Vacuum Unit #22 Lea County, New Mexico AR #46429

"Infill Finding"

Rules and Regulations Natural Gas Policy Act Infill Findings Administrative Procedure

Rule 3: No waivers from offset operators are necessary. See Exhibit 1

- Rule 5: See attached approved Form C-101 for the infil well and Form C-102 showing proration unit dedicated.
- Rule 6: See Well Completion Report and Log for name of the pool in which the infill well has been drilled and the standard spacing unit size therefor.
- Rule 7: Exhibit 2: Number of the Division Order approving the non-standard proration unit dedicated to the well.

Rule 8: Exhibit I: Description of all wells drilled on proration unit.

Rule 9: See Engineering Discussion plus all "figures" associated within.

Exhibit I

STATE VACUUM UNIT

WELL NO. 22

Lea Co., New Mexico



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- 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?

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#### INSTRUCTIONS

"This form is to be filed with the appropriate District Office of the Division not later than 20. yo after the completion of any newly-inflied or dependenced well. It shall be accompanied by one convict all electrical and radio-activity logarum on the well and a summary of all special tests conducted, including drift stem tests. All depths reported shall be measured depths. In the case of directionally drifted wells, true vertical depths shall also be reported. For sufficient conductions, from 36 through 34 shall be reported for each zone. The form is to be filed in quintuplicate except costate land, where six explose are required. See Rule 1105.

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Form C-105 cont'd State Vacuum Unit #22 2500' FNL & 1575' FWL Sec 32-17S-34E, Lea County

Item 32 - Acid, Shot, Fracture, Cement Squeeze, etc.

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1580'	Squeezed w/500 sx Cl H cmt cont'g 2% CaCl ₂ .
1520'	Squeezed w/200 sx Cl H cmt cont'g 2% CaCl ₂
4721-4723'	Acidized w/800 gals 15% LST-NE
4611-4665'	Acidized w/4000 gals 15% Acid

Spot 5 bbls acid & pump 4000 gals 15% acid. Max press 3000#. Ran GR-Temp survey. In 10 hrs swbd 17 BNO & 17 BLW. On 1/12/83 swbd Grbg SA perfs 4611-4665', rec 36 BNO & 40 BLW. 1/13/83 SITP 50#. Rel pkr & RBP, POH. RIH w/CA. Set btm of tbg @ 4736', SN @ 4702'. In 2 hrs swbd 17 BNO. SITP 0#. On 24 hr potential test 2/8/83 pmpd 189 BO, 23 BW, 15 MCFG on 12-94" spm. GOR 79:1. Final Report.



# ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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October 27, 1982

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

ARCO Oil and Gas Company P. O. Box 1610 Midland, Texas 79702

Attention: J. A. Fraga

#### Administrative Order NSL-1600

#### Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for a non-standard location for your State Vacuum Unit Well No. 22 to be located 2500 feet from the North line and 1575 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 104 F of the Division Rules and Regulations, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Incerely, ÍÓE D. RAMEY, **ARTNE** Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Sobbs CONU Oil & Gas Engineering Committee SolHobbs Oil & Gas Division - State Land Office - Sonta Fe Engineering Discussion of Infill Drilling on the State Vacuum Unit

#### INTRODUCTION

ARCO Oil and Gas Company's State Vacuum Unit produces from the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres field in Lea County, New Mexico. It has been concluded that to effectively and efficiently produce this reservoir 20-acre well spacing is necessary. The following is a brief history of the State Vacuum Unit and the engineering and geological data supporting this finding.

#### HISTORY

The State Vacuum Unit was formed by ARCO on November 11, 1976 and water injection began on July 1, 1977. The unit was developed on 40-acre spacing using a 5-spot injection pattern. Primary reserves for this unit were calculated to be 3,266 MBO, or 24.8% of the OOIP. The unit has shown favorable response to the flood producing 347 MBO of secondary reserves as of April, 1983. However, several wells have experienced premature water breakthrough which has reduced the efficiency of the waterflood (see Figures 1, 2, and 3).

In February of 1983 we completed the State Vacuum Unit No. 22, our first 20-acre infill in the unit (see attached well plat, Fig. 4). It is too early to make final conclusions for this well, but so far the results have been very promising and further infill drilling is planned.

#### GEOLOGY

The Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres field is located on an east-west trending anticline at the east end of the Artesia-Vacuum trend along the southern edge of the northwestern platform. The State Vacuum Unit is located in the western portion of the field (see attached structure map, Fig. 5). Oil production is principally from dolomite in the San Andres formation with minor contributions from limestone in the Grayburg. The main pay zone (first porosity zone in the San Andres) is an oolite dolomite continuous throughout the State Vacuum Unit (see cross-section Fig. 6). Attached is Table No. 1 showing basic reservoir data for this unit.

#### VOLUMETRIC CALCULATIONS

Volumetric calculations for the San Andres formation in the State Vacuum Unit yield an original-oil-in-place of 10,381,109 STB for the main pay and 13,305,882 STB for the total pay zone. The Grayburg formation was not included in any volumetric calculations. These calculations involved determination of porosity-feet ( $\emptyset$ h) for each well. Two isopachs were prepared, one for total  $\emptyset$ h (Figure 7) and one for main pay  $\emptyset$ h (Figure 8). These maps were constructed using logs and core data were available. Acre- $\emptyset$ h numbers were determined by planimetering the isopach maps.

The original-oil-in-place numbers were calculated by transforming acre- $\Re$ h numbers into net hydrocarbon pore volume and converting to stock tank barrels using a formation volume factor of 1.26. The water saturation used in the conversion was taken from Figure 9, "Average of First Porosity vs Water Saturation" from a field study of the Wasson San Andres reservoir by Shell Oil Company.

Engineering Discussion Page 2

#### SECONDARY RESERVES FOR 40-ACRE SPACING

ARCO's Engineering Study of 1976 concluded that only the "main pay" section of the San Andres was continuous enough to be economically flooded. Secondary reserves were calculated to be 1,300 MBO which represents a ratio of 0.5:1 of secondary to primary reserves. This low ratio is due to the main pay being the only zone floodable on 40-acre spacing.

Secondary performance was determined with the aid of one of Atlantic Richfield Company's computer programs, which calculated sweep-out for a five-spot pattern. Three five-spot patterns were used to model performance within the 800-acre proposed project area. Each pattern was broken down into quarters five-spot elements. In each element, core and log analysis helped determine porosity, permeability, and net pay. Twelve elements were analyzed in a total of three five spots. Total performance of the eight five-spots were determined by summing representative five-spots. Permeability distribution was determined for each well having core data with Atlantic Richfield's core data sorting program. Stratification analysis was handled by dividing each five-spots.

#### SECONDARY AND PRIMARY RESERVES FOR 20-ACRE SPACING

By infill drilling, additional pay in the San Andres will be floodable on closer spacing. Based on the Engineering-Geological Committee Report, November 1977, (Exhibit No. 4, Case No. 6570) for the East Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit, it was determined that an estimated 3.9% increase in recovery of OOIP for the EVGSAU could be expected on 20-acre spacing. Since the State Vacuum Unit has similar reservoir characteristics and quality, an increase recovery value of 3.9% of the OOIP was used in predicting additional secondary oil reserves with 20-acre infills. This value includes encountering discontinuous intervals of porosity and improvement in recovery efficiency.

Using the 3.9% infill recovery value and the total pay zone OOIP reserves, additional secondary reserves of 518,929 STB were calculated for the unit. The 800 acre unit would require 20 equivalent 20-acre infill wells for a recovery of about 26 MBO/well location. These calculations are outlined in Appendix A.

Primary drainage analysis of the State Vacuum Unit were done using volumetrics, decline curves and production data. This analysis indicated that each 20-acre infill well will drain 5 acres previously missed at 40-acre spacing. Incrementally each infill well will recover 26 MBO (see Appendix A).

The State Vacuum Unit No. 22 will also produce primary reserves from a lower zone near the top of the Lovington Sand (see Fig. 10). The porosity logs indicate this zone to contain 8-10 feet of net pay with about 10% porosity. Estimate recoverable primary reserves for the lower zone, using 20-acre spacing and a 24.8% recovery factor, is 22 MBO. Secondary reserves were not calculated since this zone at present is not being flooded. Engineering Discussion Page 3

Premature water breakthrough has been experienced in several wells, as is seen in the attached plots (see Fig. 1-3). The 20-acre spacing will drain reserves being bypassed due to the breakthrough.

#### CONCLUSION

By drilling the infill Well No. 22 we will recover new reserves of approximately 74 MSTBO. The initial stabilized rate on this well was predicted to be 75 BOPD declining to abandonment at 30% per year (see Fig. 11). Gas production in association with this oil will be 12.95 MMCF.

ARCO is presently in the process of updating its Engineering Study of 1976 for the State Vacuum Unit. This study will fully evaluate the infill drilling of this unit.

The production history of the State Vacuum Unit and other units in this field indicate that to effectively and efficiently produce the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres reservoir, 20-acre spacing is necessary. By going to this closer spacing, additional pay will be encountered and flooded. Additional primary reserves that were undrained on 40-acre spacing will be recovered along with secondary reserves bypassed due to premature water breakthrough.

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## State Vacuum Unit #22 Lea County, New Mexico AR #46429

## "Infill Finding"

#### Rules and Regulations Natural Gas Policy Act Infill Findings Administrative Procedure

Rule 3:	No waivers from	offset operators
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- Rule 5: See attached approved Form C-101 for the infil well and Form C-102 showing proration unit dedicated.
- Rule 6: See Well Completion Report and Log for name of the pool in which the infill well has been drilled and the standard spacing unit size therefor.
- Rule 7: Exhibit 2: Number of the Division Order approving the non-standard proration unit dedicated to the well.
- Rule 8: Exhibit I: Description of all wells drilled on proration unit.

Rule 9: See Engineering Discussion plus all "figures" associated within.

Exhibit I

# STATE VACUUM UNIT

WELL NO. 22

Lea Co., New Mexico



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Form C-105 cont'd State Vacuum Unit #22 2500' FNL & 1575' FWL Sec 32-17S-34E, Lea County

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Item 32 - Acid, Shot, Fracture, Cement Squeeze, etc.

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1580'	Squeezed w/500 sx Cl H cmt cont'g 2% CaCl ₂
1520'	Squeezed w/200 sx Cl H cmt cont'g 2% CaCl2
4721-4723'	Acidized w/800 gals 15% LST-NE
4611-4665'	Acidized w/4000 gals 15% Acid

Spot 5 bbls acid & pump 4000 gals 15% acid. Max press 3000#. Ran GR-Temp survey. In 10 hrs swbd 17 BNO & 17 BLW. On 1/12/83 swbd Grbg SA perfs 4611-4665', rec 36 BNO & 40 BLW. 1/13/83 SITP 50#. Rel pkr & RBP, POH. RIH w/CA. Set btm of tbg @ 4736', SN @ 4702'. In 2 hrs swbd 17 BNO. SITP 0#. On 24 hr potential test 2/8/83 pmpd 189 BO, 23 BW, 15 MCFG on 12-94" spm. GOR 79:1. <u>Final Report</u>.

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October 27, 1982

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POST OFFICE BOX 2088

(505) 827-2434

ARCO Oil and Gas Company P. O. Box 1610 Midland, Texas 79702

Attention: J. A. Fraga

#### Administrative Order NSL-1600

#### Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for a non-standard location for your State Vacuum Unit Well No. 22 to be located 2500 feet from the North line and 1575 feet from the West line of Section 32, Township 17 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 104 F of the Division Rules and Regulations, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Sincerely, 1m OE D. RAMEY, Director

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Engineering Discussion of Infill Drilling on the State Vacuum Unit

#### INTRODUCTION

ARCO Oil and Gas Company's State Vacuum Unit produces from the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres field in Lea County, New Mexico. It has been concluded that to effectively and efficiently produce this reservoir 20-acre well spacing is necessary. The following is a brief history of the State Vacuum Unit and the engineering and geological data supporting this finding.

#### HISTORY

The State Vacuum Unit was formed by ARCO on November 11, 1976 and water injection began on July 1, 1977. The unit was developed on 40-acre spacing using a 5-spot injection pattern. Primary reserves for this unit were calculated to be 3,266 MBO, or 24.8% of the OOIP. The unit has shown favorable response to the flood producing 347 MBO of secondary reserves as of April, 1983. However, several wells have experienced premature water breakthrough which has reduced the efficiency of the waterflood (see Figures 1, 2, and 3).

In February of 1983 we completed the State Vacuum Unit No. 22, our first 20-acre infill in the unit (see attached well plat, Fig. 4). It is too early to make final conclusions for this well, but so far the results have been very promising and further infill drilling is planned.

#### GEOLOGY

The Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres field is located on an east-west trending anticline at the east end of the Artesia-Vacuum trend along the southern edge of the northwestern platform. The State Vacuum Unit is located in the western portion of the field (see attached structure map, Fig. 5). Oil production is principally from dolomite in the San Andres formation with minor contributions from limestone in the Grayburg. The main pay zone (first porosity zone in the San Andres) is an oolite dolomite continuous throughout the State Vacuum Unit (see cross-section Fig. 6). Attached is Table No. 1 showing basic reservoir data for this unit.

#### VOLUMETRIC CALCULATIONS

Volumetric calculations for the San Andres formation in the State Vacuum Unit yield an original-oil-in-place of 10,381,109 STB for the main pay and 13,305,882 STB for the total pay zone. The Grayburg formation was not included in any volumetric calculations. These calculations involved determination of porosity-feet (Øh) for each well. Two isopachs were prepared, one for total Øh (Figure 7) and one for main pay Øh (Figure 8). These maps were constructed using logs and core data were available. Acre-Øh numbers were determined by planimetering the isopach maps.

The original-oil-in-place numbers were calculated by transforming acre- $\emptyset$ h numbers into net hydrocarbon pore volume and converting to stock tank barrels using a formation volume factor of 1.26. The water saturation used in the conversion was taken from Figure 9, "Average of First Porosity vs Water Saturation" from a field study of the Wasson San Andres reservoir by Shell Oil Company.

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#### SECONDARY RESERVES FOR 40-ACRE SPACING

ARCO's Engineering Study of 1976 concluded that only the "main pay" section of the San Andres was continuous enough to be economically flooded. Secondary reserves were calculated to be 1,300 MBO which represents a ratio of 0.5:1 of secondary to primary reserves. This low ratio is due to the main pay being the only zone floodable on 40-acre spacing.

Secondary performance was determined with the aid of one of Atlantic Richfield Company's computer programs, which calculated sweep-out for a five-spot pattern. Three five-spot patterns were used to model performance within the 800-acre proposed project area. Each pattern was broken down into quarters five-spot elements. In each element, core and log analysis helped determine porosity, permeability, and net pay. Twelve elements were analyzed in a total of three five spots. Total performance of the eight five-spots were determined by summing representative five-spots. Permeability distribution was determined for each well having core data with Atlantic Richfield's core data sorting program. Stratification analysis was handled by dividing each five-spots.

#### SECONDARY AND PRIMARY RESERVES FOR 20-ACRE SPACING

By infill drilling, additional pay in the San Andres will be floodable on closer spacing. Based on the Engineering-Geological Committee Report, November 1977, (Exhibit No. 4, Case No. 6570) for the East Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Unit, it was determined that an estimated 3.9% increase in recovery of OOIP for the EVGSAU could be expected on 20-acre spacing. Since the State Vacuum Unit has similar reservoir characteristics and quality, an increase recovery value of 3.9% of the OOIP was used in predicting additional secondary oil reserves with 20-acre infills. This value includes encountering discontinuous intervals of porosity and improvement in recovery efficiency.

Using the 3.9% infill recovery value and the total pay zone OOIP reserves, additional secondary reserves of 518,929 STB were calculated for the unit. The 800 acre unit would require 20 equivalent 20-acre infill wells for a recovery of about 26 MBO/well location. These calculations are outlined in Appendix A.

Primary drainage analysis of the State Vacuum Unit were done using volumetrics, decline curves and production data. This analysis indicated that each 20-acre infill well will drain 5 acres previously missed at 40-acre spacing. Incrementally each infill well will recover 26 MBO (see Appendix A).

The State Vacuum Unit No. 22 will also produce primary reserves from a lower zone near the top of the Lovington Sand (see Fig. 10). The porosity logs indicate this zone to contain 8-10 feet of net pay with about 10% porosity. Estimate recoverable primary reserves for the lower zone, using 20-acre spacing and a 24.8% recovery factor, is 22 MBO. Secondary reserves were not calculated since this zone at present is not being flooded. Engineering Discussion Page 3

Premature water breakthrough has been experienced in several wells, as is seen in the attached plots (see Fig. 1-3). The 20-acre spacing will drain reserves being bypassed due to the breakthrough.

#### CONCLUSION

By drilling the infill Well No. 22 we will recover new reserves of approximately 74 MSTBO. The initial stabilized rate on this well was predicted to be 75 BOPD declining to abandonment at 30% per year (see Fig. 11). Gas production in association with this oil will be 12.95 MMCF.

ARCO is presently in the process of updating its Engineering Study of 1976 for the State Vacuum Unit. This study will fully evaluate the infill drilling of this unit.

The production history of the State Vacuum Unit and other units in this field indicate that to effectively and efficiently produce the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres reservoir, 20-acre spacing is necessary. By going to this closer spacing, additional pay will be encountered and flooded. Additional primary reserves that were undrained on 40-acre spacing will be recovered along with secondary reserves bypassed due to premature water breakthrough.

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## Table I

### Basic Reservoir Data

Unit: State Vacuum Unit ARCO Oil and Gas Company Operator: Field: Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres Lithology: Dolomite and Limestone Area: 800 Acres Average Porosity: 9.88% Average Permeability: 17.8 md 1.26 RB/STB Initial Formation Volume Factor: Connate Water Saturation: 26.5% Residual Oil Saturation: 30.0% 37° API **Oil Gravity:** Average GOR: 175 SCF/bb1 Original Oil In Place: 13,306 MSTB0 Primary Recovery (40-acres): 3,266 MSTB0 Secondary Recovery (40-acres): 1,700 MSTB0



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#### Appendix A

I. Incremental Secondary Reserves with 20-acre Infills:

OOIP = 13,306 MBO (Eng. Study 1976) Recovery Factor = .039 (EVU Eng. Study, Phillips) Additional Reserves from 20-acre Spacing = 519 MBO Unit Area = 800 acres therefore, Equivalent 20-acre infills required = 20 519 MBO ÷ 20 Wells = 26 MBO/Well Incremental Oil (26 MBO/Well)(175 SCF/STB) = 4.55 MMCF/Well Incremental Gas

II. Undrained Primary Reserves for Typical 20-acre Infill Location:

Øh = 4.56 (log data)
Sw = .265 (Eng. Study 1976)
Recovery Factor = .248 (Eng. Study 1976)
Boi = 1.26 RB/STB (Eng. Study 1976)
A = 5 acres (Undrained area planimetered from drainage maps)

 $\frac{7758 \text{ A}\emptyset\text{h}(1-\text{Sw})}{\text{Boi}} \times \text{R}_{f} = \frac{7758(5)(4.56)(1-.265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 25.6 \text{ MBO Primary} \\ \text{Reserves from} \\ 20-\text{acre Spacing}$ 

25.6 MBO x 175 SCF/STB = 4.48 MMCF Primary Gas

III. New Primary Reserves from A Lower Zone:

 $\emptyset$ h = 1 A = 20 acres

 $\frac{7758 \text{ A}\emptyset\text{h}(1-Sw)}{\text{Boi}} \times \text{R}_{f} = \frac{7758(20)(1)(1-.265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 22.4 \text{ MBO Primary} \\ \text{Reserves for} \\ \text{Lower Zone}$ 

22.4 MBO x (175 SCF/STB) = 3.92 MMCF Primary Gas