

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENTINFILL DRILLING FINDINGS 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-A

I.

Operator ARCO OIL & GAS COMPANY Well Name and No. State Vacuum Unit Well No. 23
Location: Unit J Sec. 32 Twp. 17South Rng. 34 East Cty. Lea

II.

THE DIVISION FINDS:

- (1) That Section 271.305(b) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 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 that the infill 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.
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- (2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 8 day of August, 19 84.CC: WELL FILE
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DIVISION DIRECTOR

EXAMINER

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State Vacuum Unit #23
Lea County, New Mexico
AR #46429

"Infill Finding"

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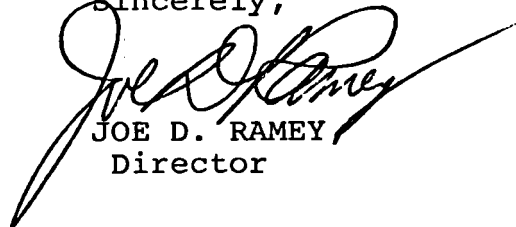
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By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 104 F of the Division Rules and Regulations, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,



JOE D. RAMEY
Director

JDR/RLS/dp

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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).

On July 26, 1983 we completed the State Vacuum Unit No. 23, our second 20-acre infill in the unit (see attached plat, Figure 4). This well had a 24 hour pump potential of 40 BO, 14 BW and 35 MCFPD. Because of the short producing history on this well, it is still too early to make any ultimate reserve predictions. Our first 20 acre infill, the No. 22, completed February, 1983, has been encouraging. The No. 22 had a 24 hour pump potential of 189 BO, 23 BW, and 15 MCFPD. The No. 22 is expected to recover new reserves of approximately 74 MSTBO. Gas production in association with this oil will be 12.95 MMCF. Figure No. 11 shows the Unit's predicted performance with the No. 22 infill. The final stabilized rate on the No. 22 was 75 BOPD and was projected to decline at 30% per year.

ARCO is presently in the process of updating its Engineering Study of 1976 for the State Vacuum Unit. This study will evaluate the current infill drilling program and will also lay out the final development plans for the unit.

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 (ϕh) for each well. Two isopachs were prepared, one for total ϕh (Figure 7) and one for main pay ϕh (Figure 8). These maps were constructed using logs and core data where available. Acre- ϕh numbers were determined by planimetering the isopach maps.

The original-oil-in-place numbers were calculated by transforming acre- ϕh 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.

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-spot into layers. Table 2 gives the data used in each of the three typical 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 recovery 26 MBO (see Appendix A).

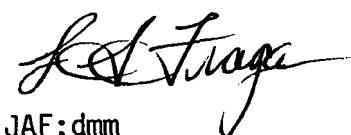
The State Vacuum Unit No. 23 will also produce primary reserves from a lower zone near the top of the Lovington Sand (see Figure 10). The porosity logs indicate this zone to contain 8 feet of net pay with about 12% porosity. Estimate recoverable primary reserves for the lower zone, using 20-acre spacing and a 24.8% recovery factor, is 22 MBO. Secondary reserves were not calculated since this zone at present is not being flooded.

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

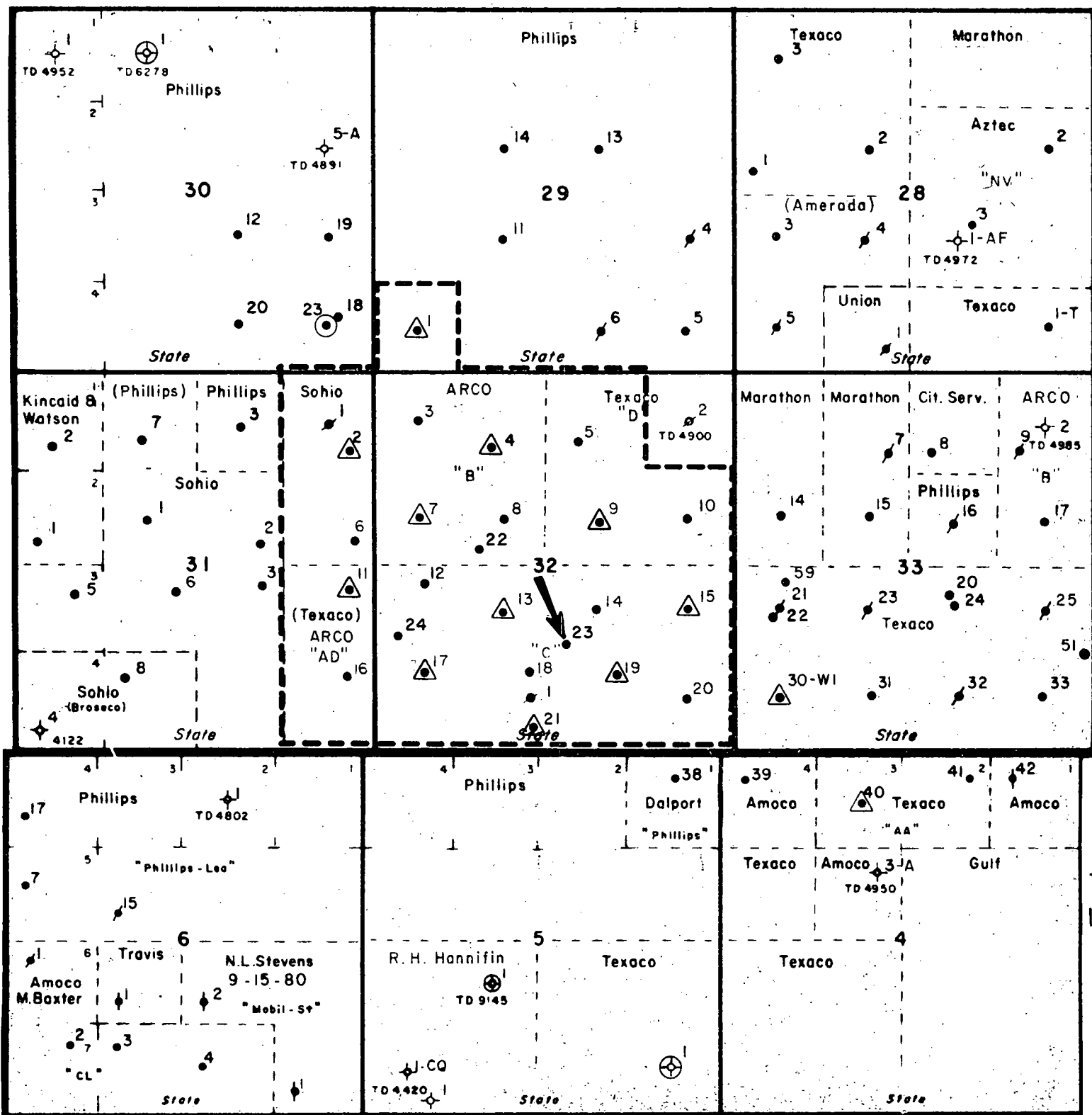
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The production history of the State Vacuum Unit and other units in this field indicate that to effectively and efficiently produce the Vacuum Grayburg-San Andres reservoir, 20-acre spacing is necessary. By going to this closer spacing, additional pay 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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LEGEND

- UNIT BOUNDARY
- PRODUCER - SAN ANDRES
- INJECTOR - SAN ANDRES
- PROPOSED LOCATION

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Permian District Midland, Texas

VACUUM (GRBG - S.A.) AREA
STATE VACUUM UNIT
Lea County, New Mexico

Scale 1" = 2000'

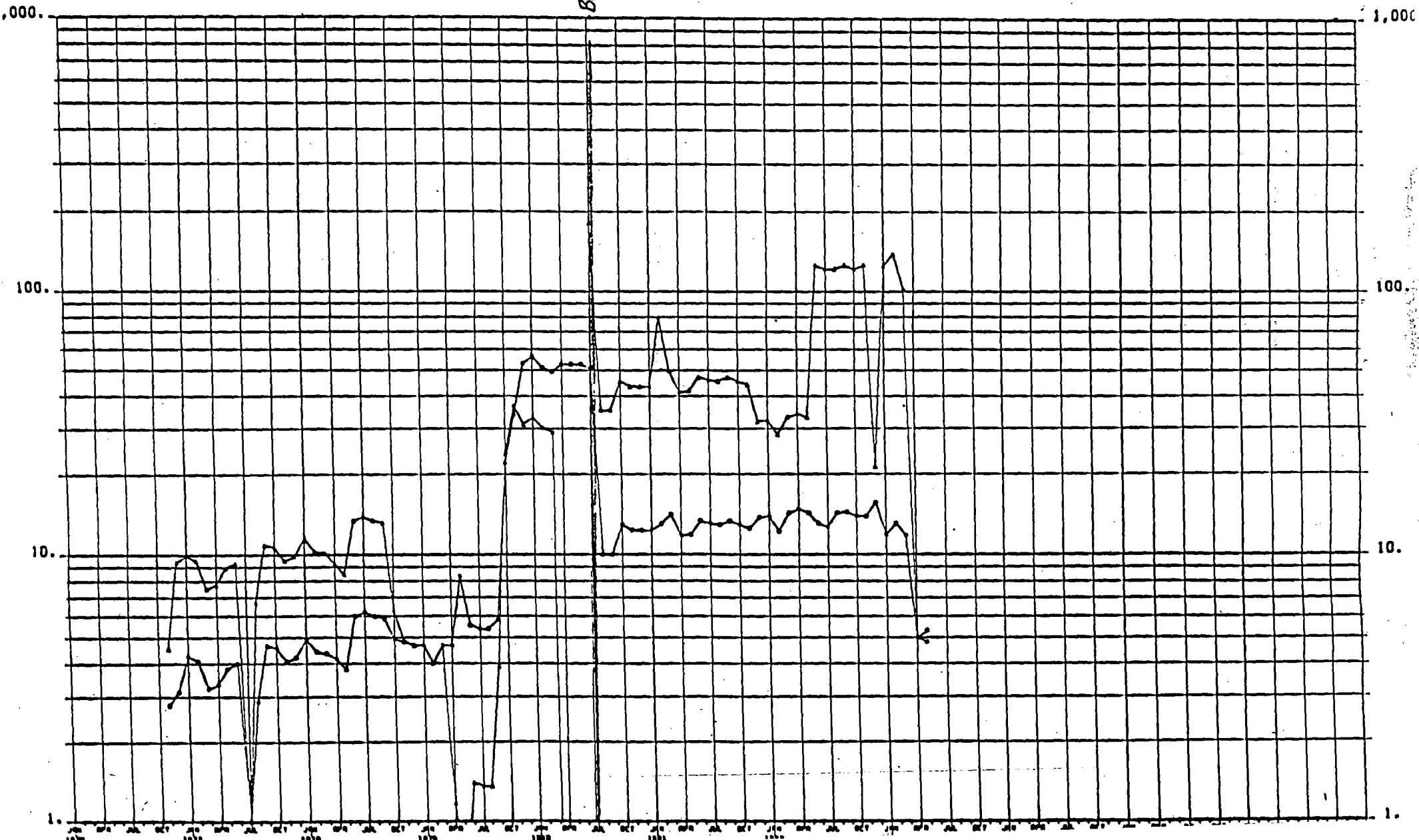
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Break through

- -AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
- ▲ -AVG. DAILY H₂O (BBL)

Figure 1
State Vacuum Unit No. 6

FIELD: 830 - VACUUM
LEASE: 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV.: 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES



Breakthrough

Figure 2
State Vacuum Unit No. 10

LEASE. 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV.. 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES
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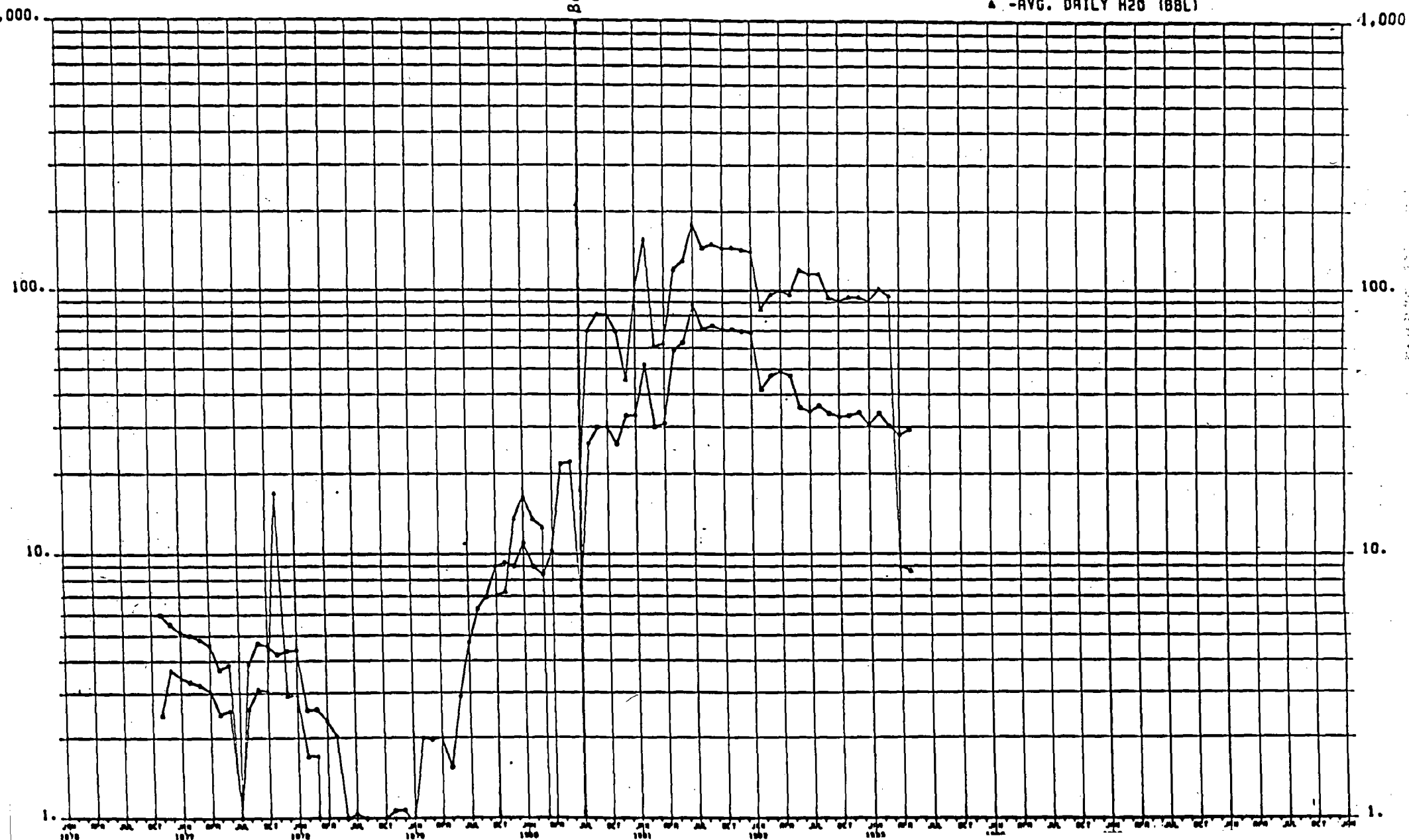


Figure 3
State Vacuum Unit No. 14

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV., 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES

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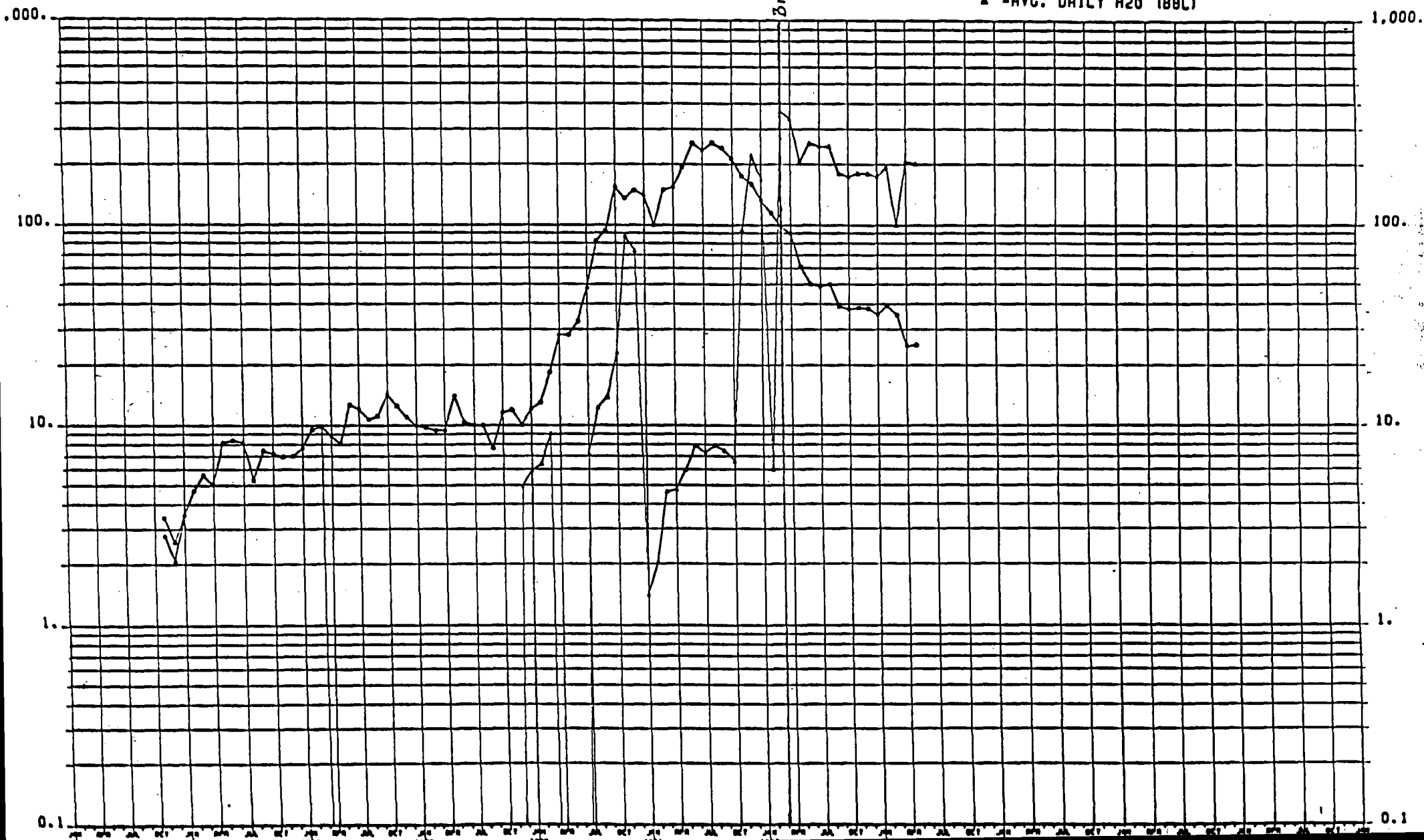
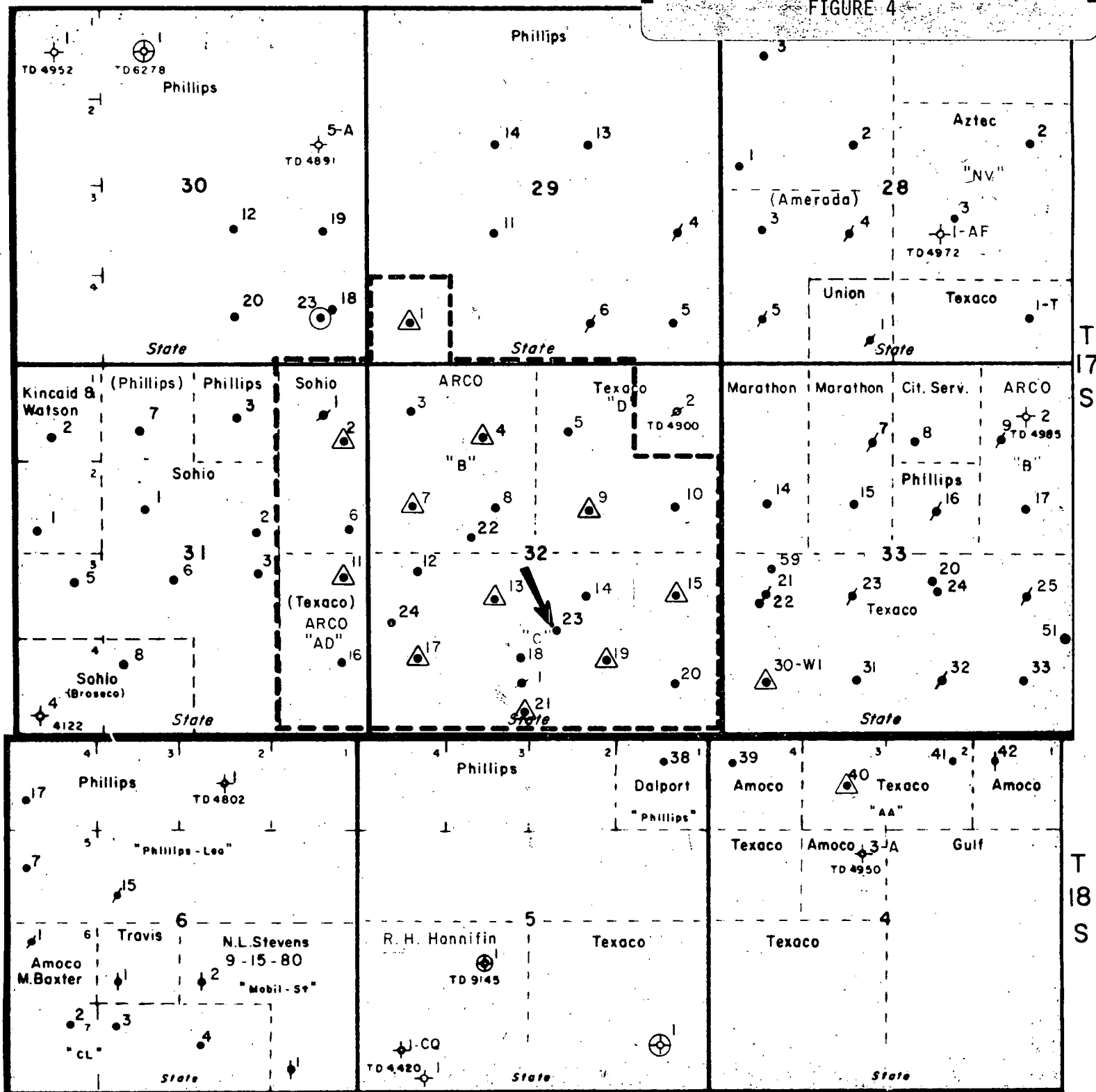


FIGURE 4



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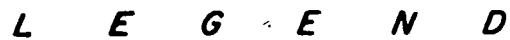
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FIGURE 5



PROPOSED WELL LOCATION

**STRUCTURE MAP
TOP OF SAN ANDRES**

NAME	J. A. PRAGA	DATE	11-3-83
UNIT	3-83	TIME	11:00
LOCATION	WEST ENGR.	DATE	

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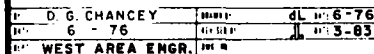
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FIGURE 8

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Phillips

STATE VACUUM UNIT

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"D"

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VACUUM FIELD
Lee County, New Mexico
STATE VACUUM UNIT

MAIN PAY ISOPACH, NET
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SCALE: 1" = 1000'

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BY: WEST AREA ENGR.		DATE: 10-83

AVERAGE OF
FIRST POROSITY -vs.- WATER SATURATION
(FROM STUDY BY SHELL OIL COMPANY)
WASSON SAN ANDRES FIELD

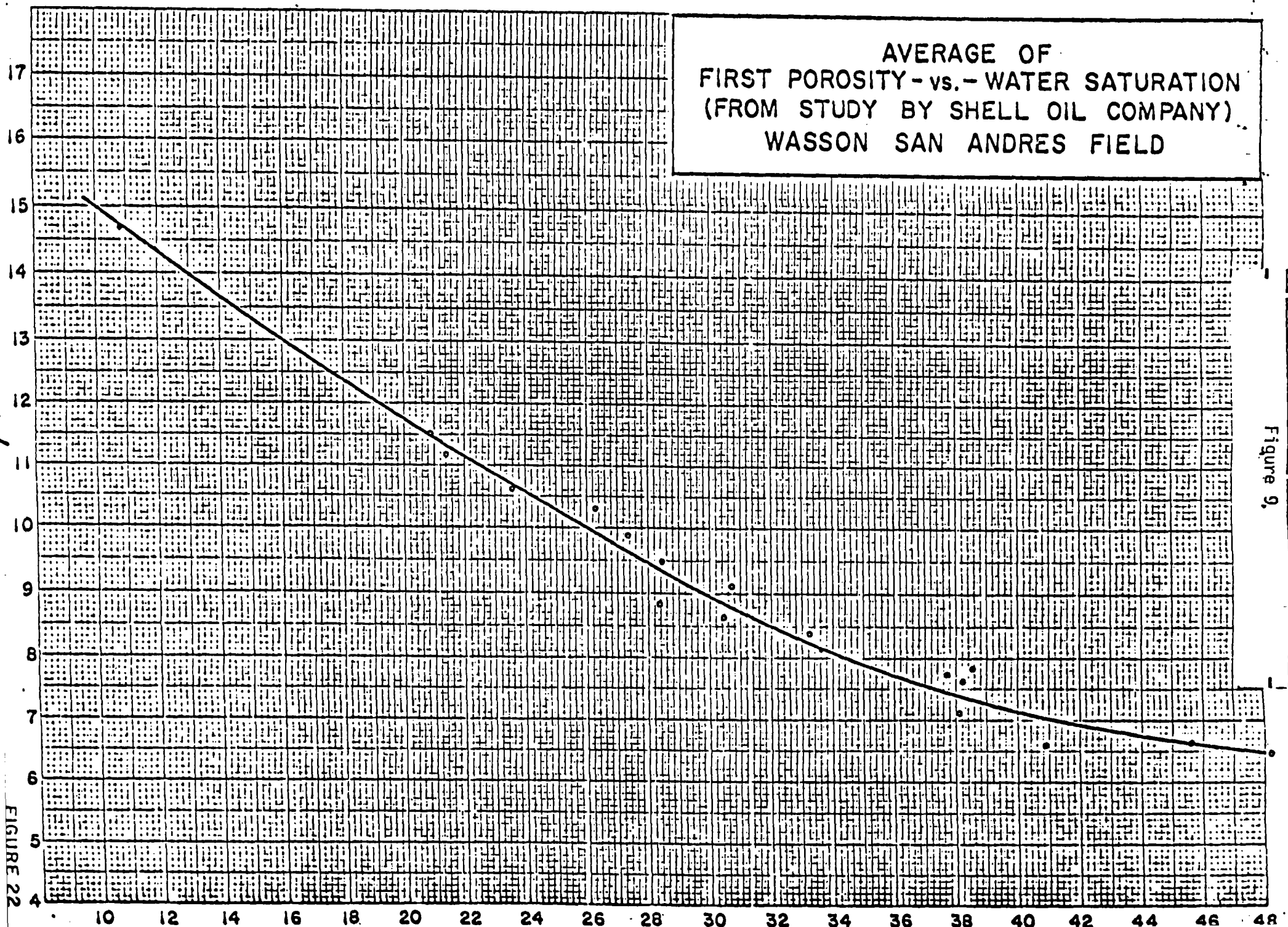


Figure 9.

ARCO Oil and Gas Company

State Vacuum Unit #23

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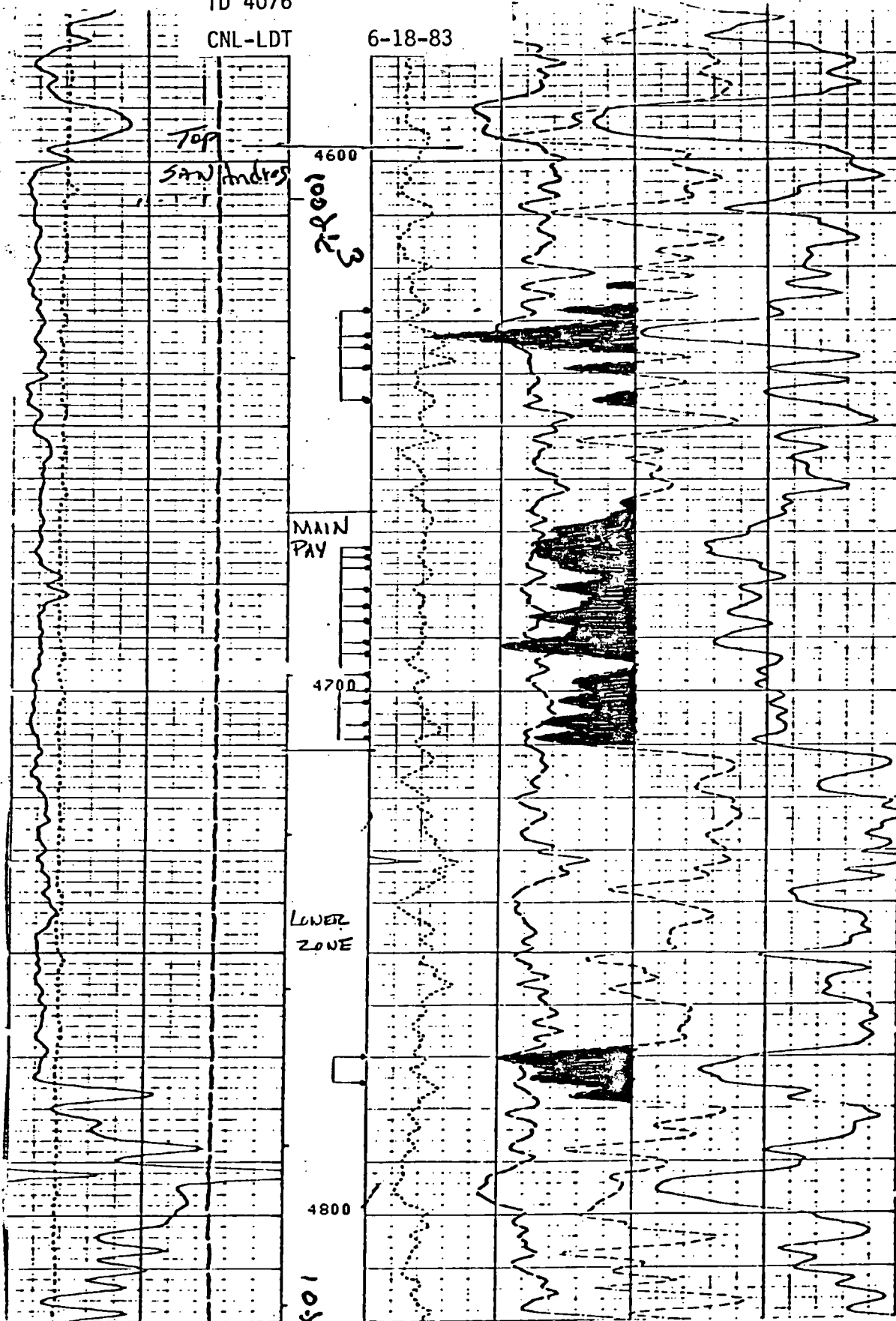


FIGURE 10

Water Injection
Began

No. 22 Completed

Figure 11
Continued Operations vs Infill Drilling

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
WELL COUNT - 31

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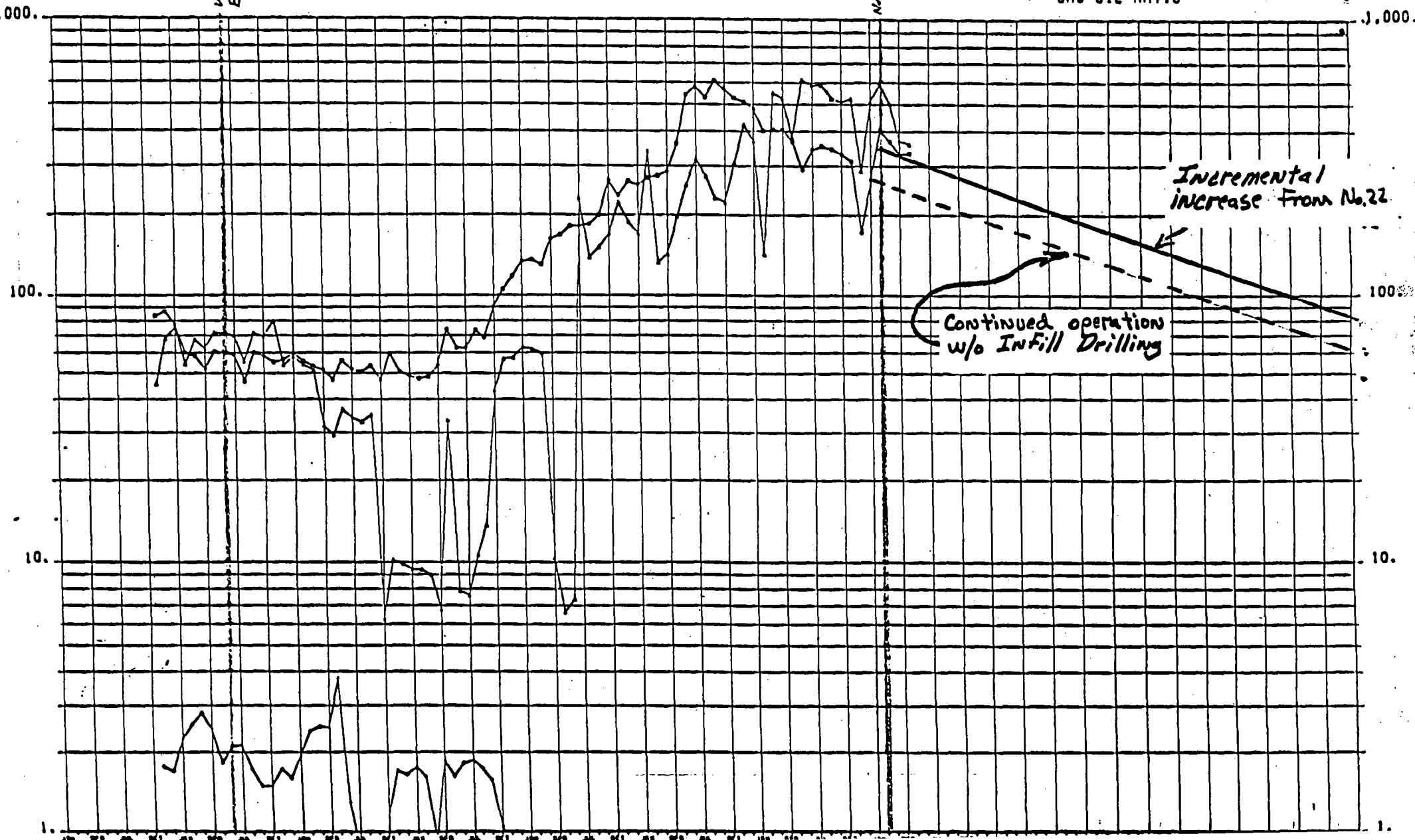
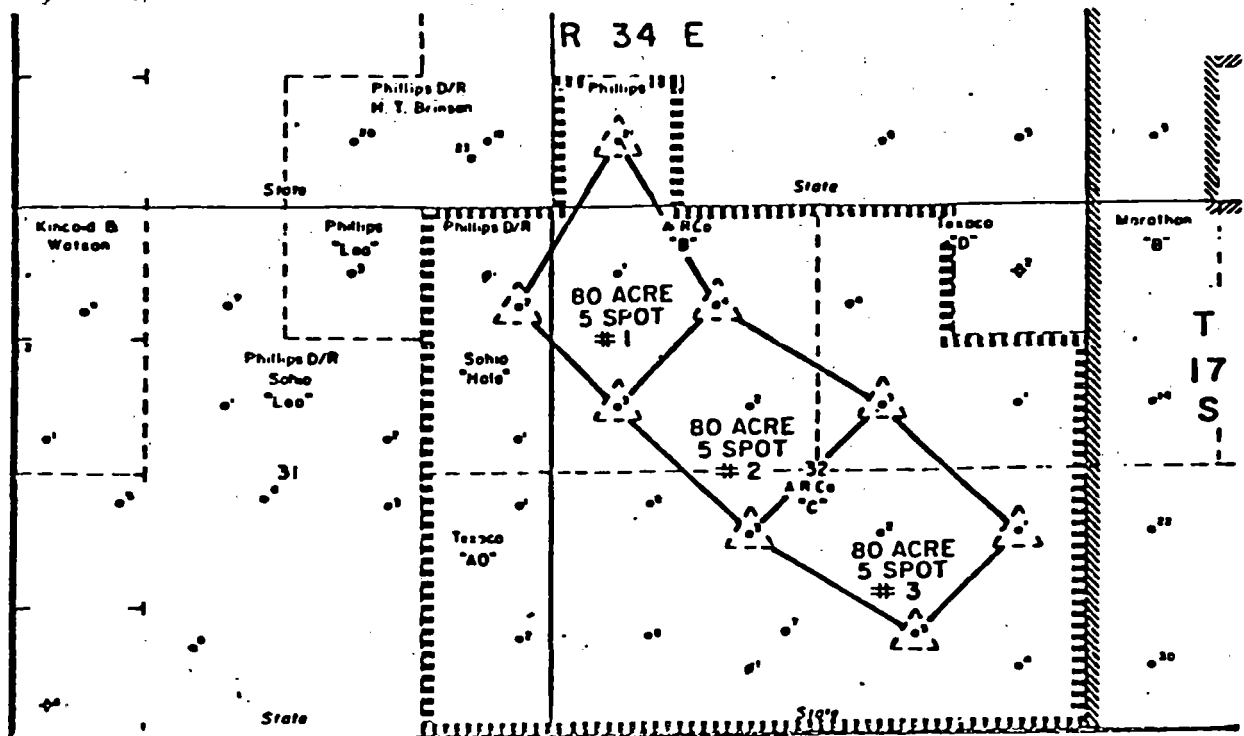


Table I

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 MSTBO
Primary Recovery (40-acres):	3,266 MSTBO
Secondary Recovery (40-acres):	1,700 MSTBO

TABLE 2
STRATIFICATION ANALYSIS



	<u>% Thickness of Total</u>	<u>Kl, md</u>	<u>Scw, %</u>	<u>Sgx, %</u>	<u>Sor, %</u>
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 1					
Layer #1	42.1	4.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	37.0	1.7	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	20.9	0.5	26.5	24.0	30.0
	<u>100.0</u>				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 2					
Layer #1	25.4	26.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	30.8	8.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	17.6	2.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #4	14.9	1.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #5	11.3	0.4	26.5	24.0	30.0
	<u>100.0</u>				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 3					
Layer #1	18.2	19.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	23.5	7.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	29.4	2.6	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #4	12.6	0.9	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #5	16.3	0.3	26.5	24.0	30.4
	<u>100.0</u>				

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:

$\phi h = 4.56$ (log data)
 $S_w = .265$ (Eng. Study 1976)
Recovery Factor = .248 (Eng. Study 1976)
 $B_{oi} = 1.26$ RB/STB (Eng. Study 1976)
 $A = 6$ acres (Undrained area planimetered from drainage maps)

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758(6)(4.56)(1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 25.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves from 20-acre Spacing}$$

$$25.6 \text{ MBO} \times 175 \text{ SCF/STB} = 4.48 \text{ MMCF Primary Gas}$$

III. New Primary Reserves from A Lower Zone:

$\phi h = 0.96$
 $A = 20$ acres

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758(20)(1)(1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 21.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves for Lower Zone}$$

$$21.6 \text{ MBO} \times (175 \text{ SCF/STB}) = 3.78 \text{ MMCF Primary Gas}$$

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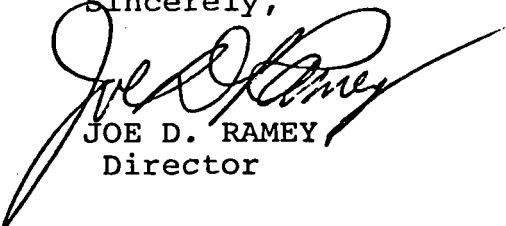
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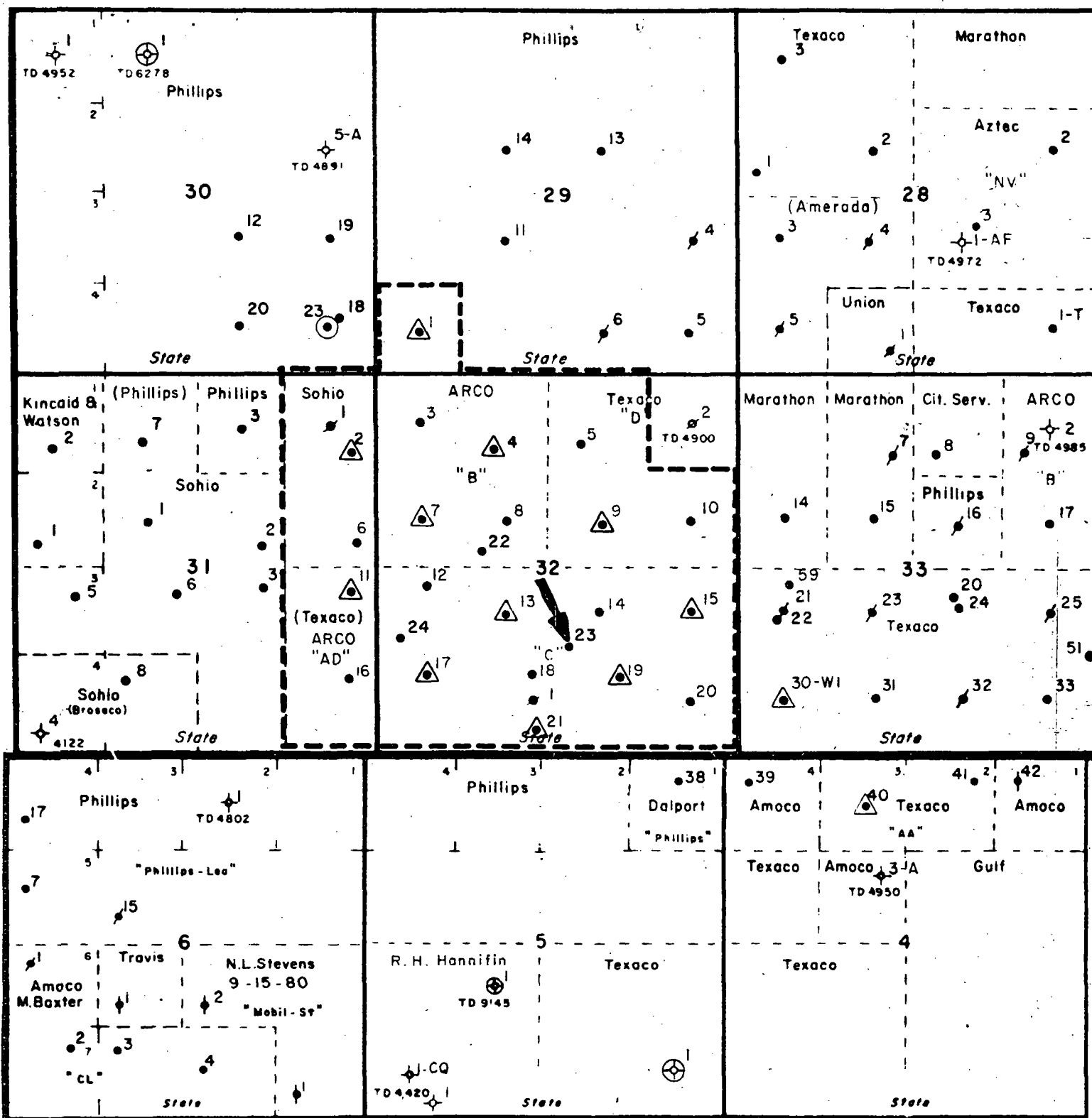
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ARCO Oil and Gas Company

Division of Atlantic Richfield Company

Permian District Midland, Texas

VACUUM (GRBG - S.A.) AREA

STATE VACUUM UNIT

Lea County, New Mexico

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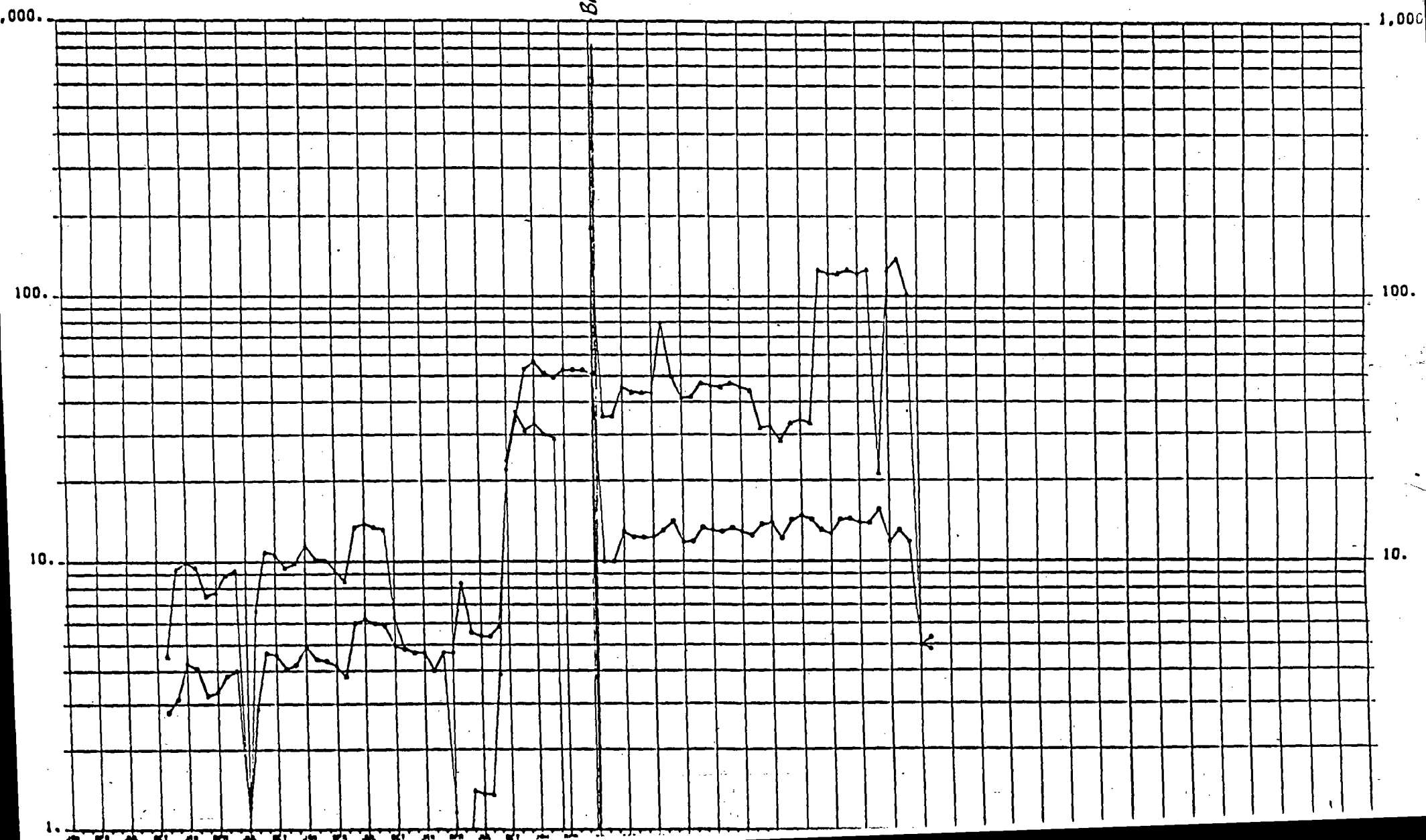
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Break through

- -AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
- ▲ -AVG. DAILY H2O (BBL)

Figure 1
State Vacuum Unit No. 6

FIELD, 830 - VACUUM
LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV., 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES



Breakthrough

Figure 2
State Vacuum Unit No. 10

LEASE. 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV.. 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES
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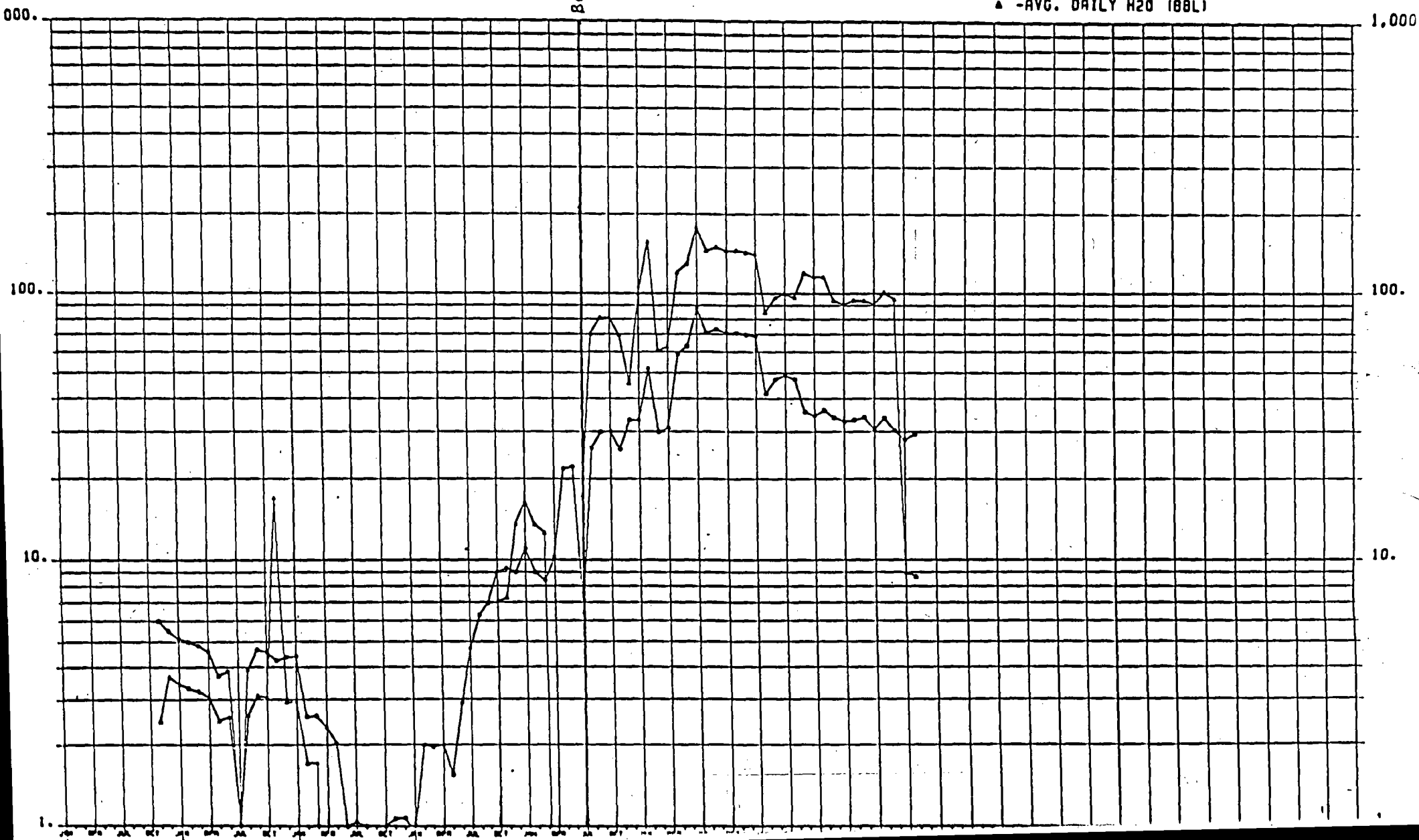
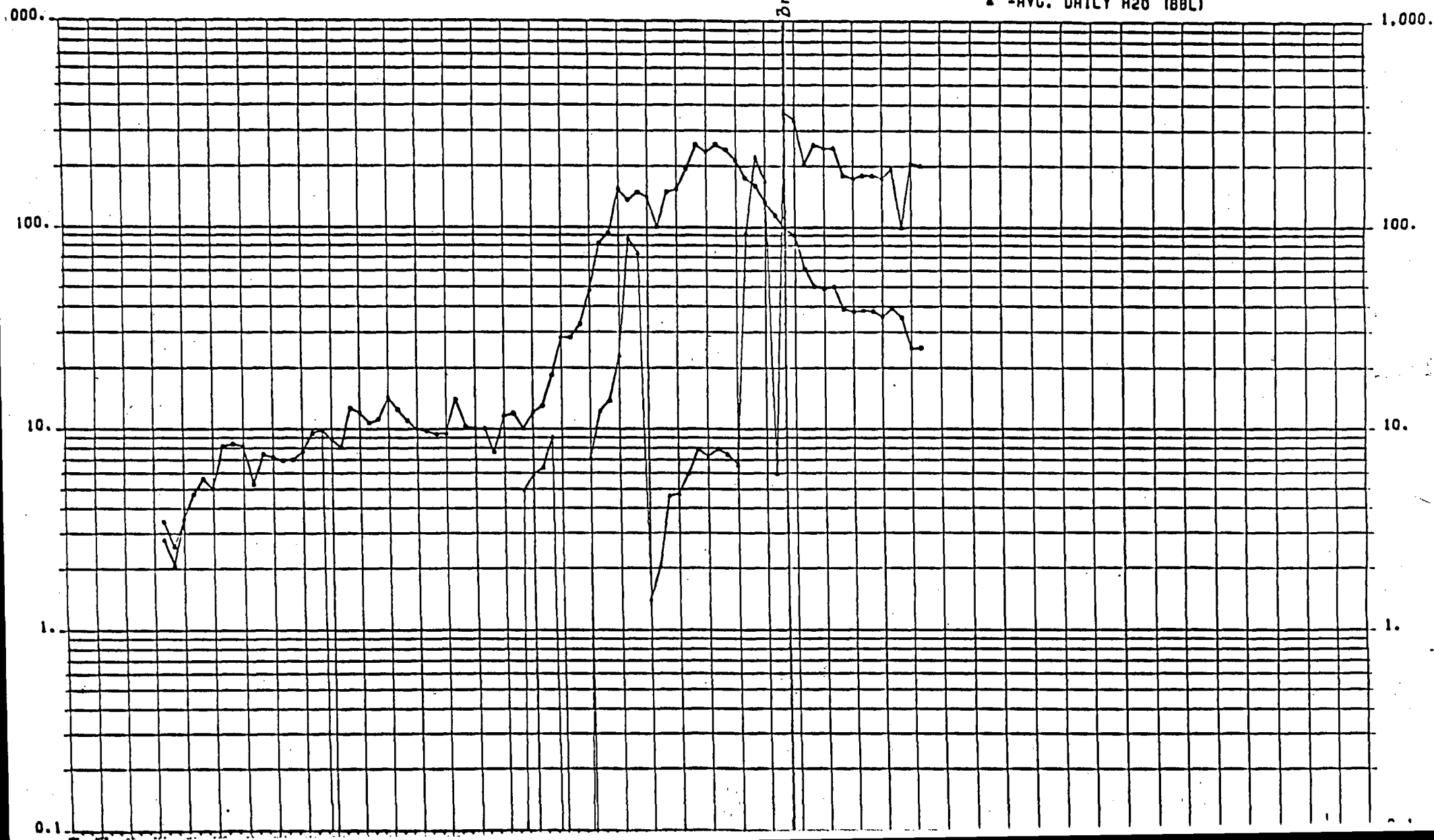
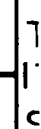


Figure 3
State Vacuum Unit No. 14

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV., 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES

○ - AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
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"B"Texaco
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Dalport S/R

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Texaco
"AA"

L E G E N D

STATE VACUUM UNIT BOUNDARY

PROPOSED WELL LOCATION

Atlantic Richfield Company
North American Producing Division
Permian District - Midland, TexasVACUUM FIELD
Lee County, New Mexico

STATE VACUUM UNIT

STRUCTURE MAP
TOP OF SAN ANDRES

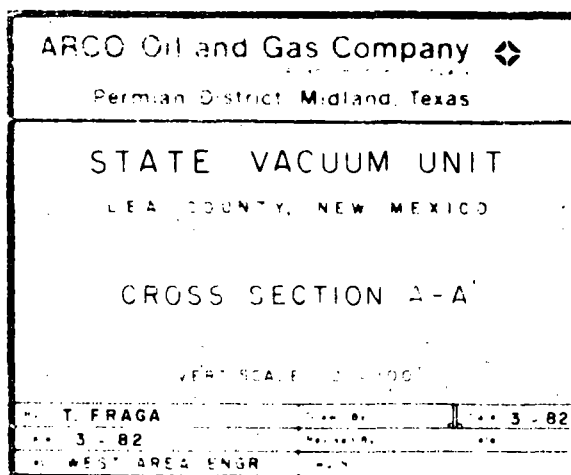
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FIGURE 6



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FIGURE 7

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STATE VACUUM UNIT

State

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"B"

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"D"

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"Hale"

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"C"

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VACUUM FIELD
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FIGURE 8

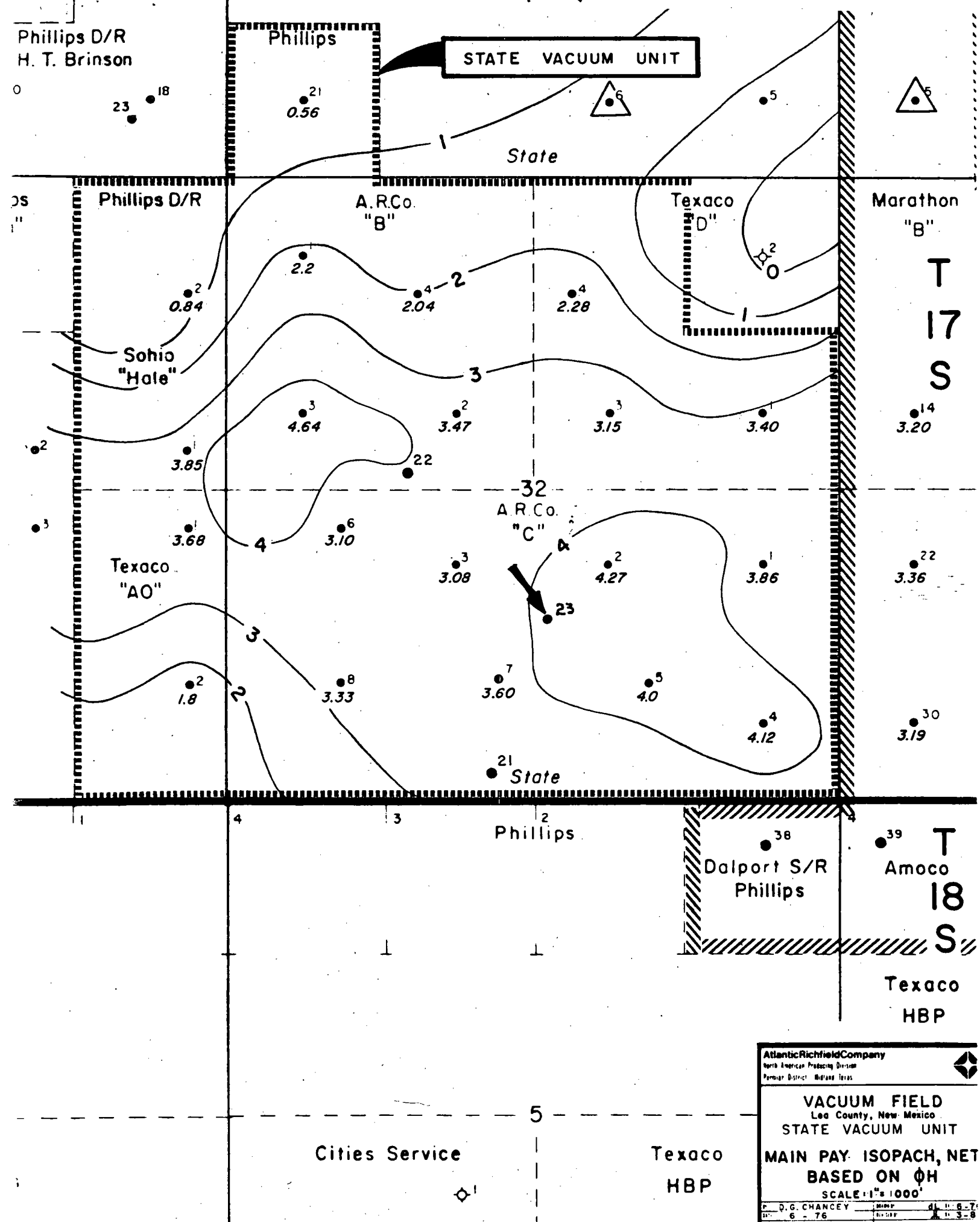
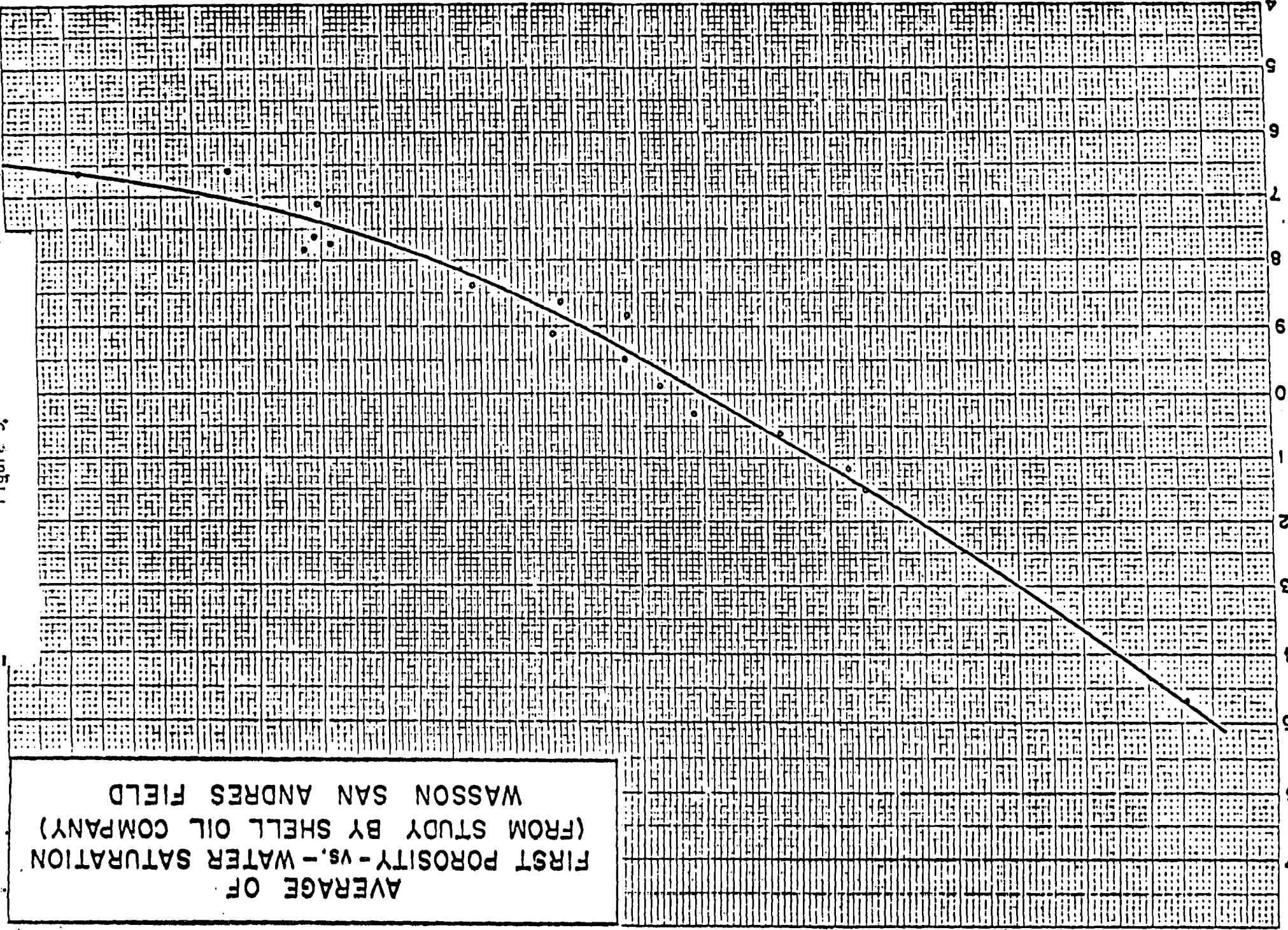


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State Vacuum Unit #23

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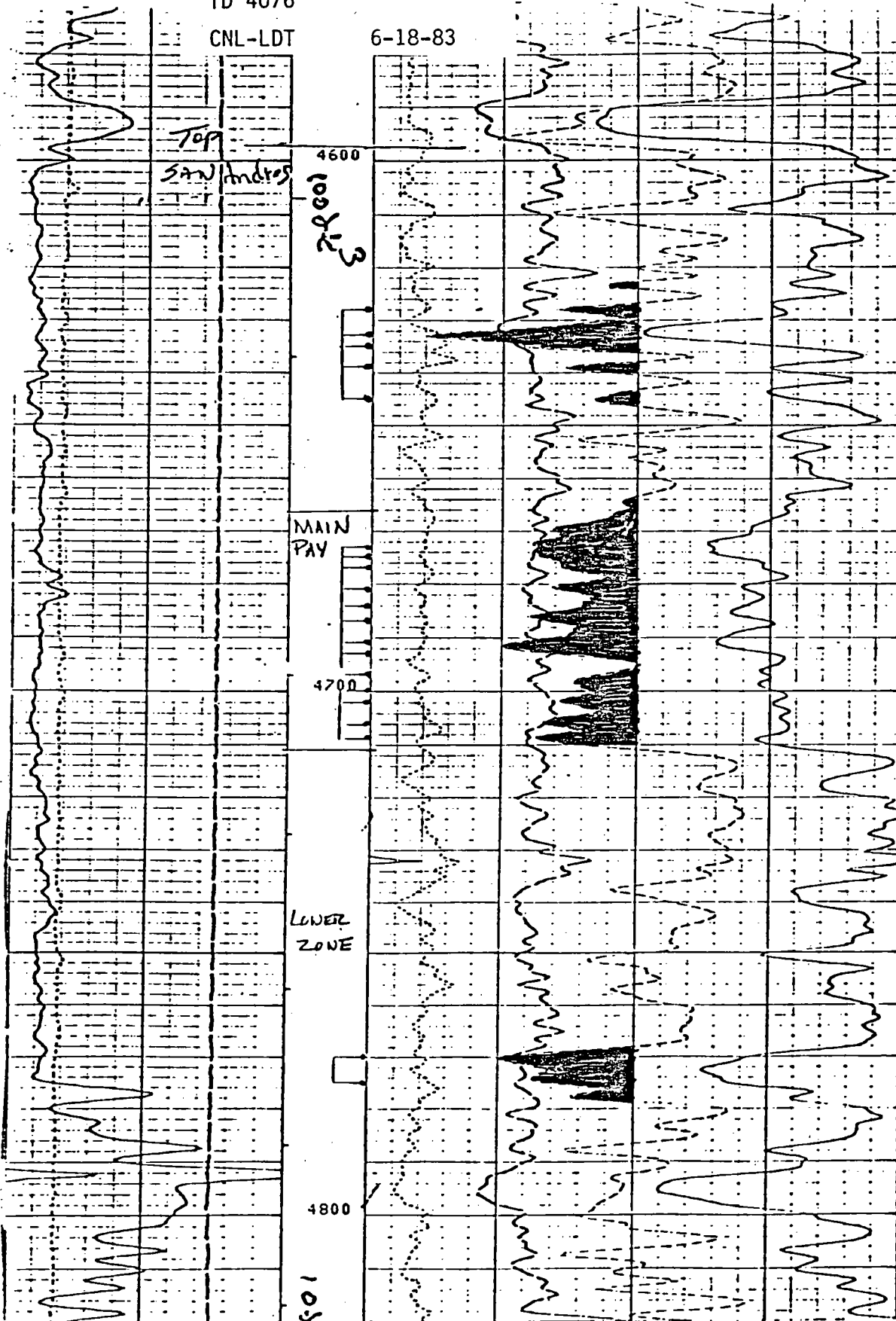


FIGURE 10



Figure 11
Continued Operations vs Infill Drilling

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
WELL COUNT - 31

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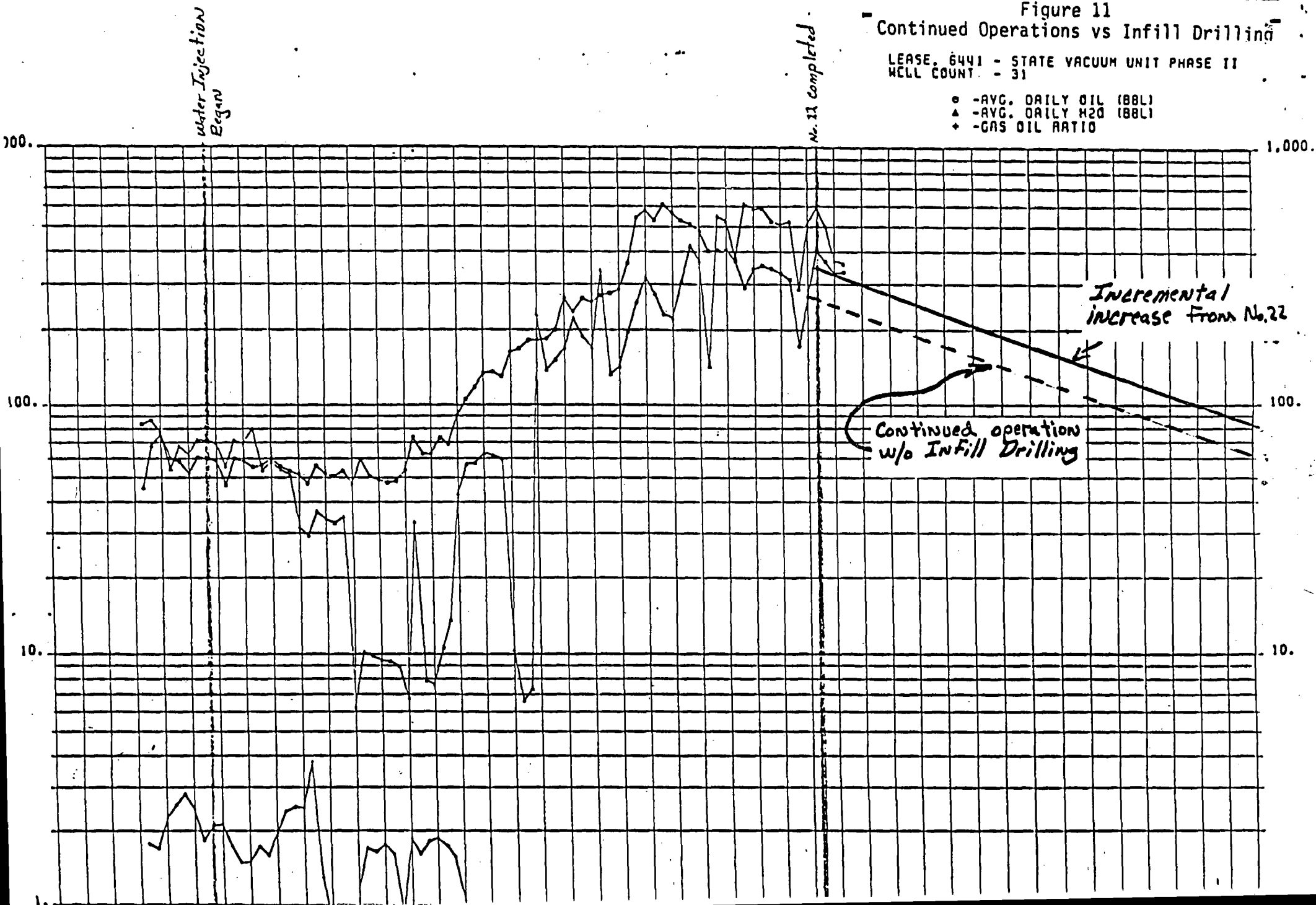
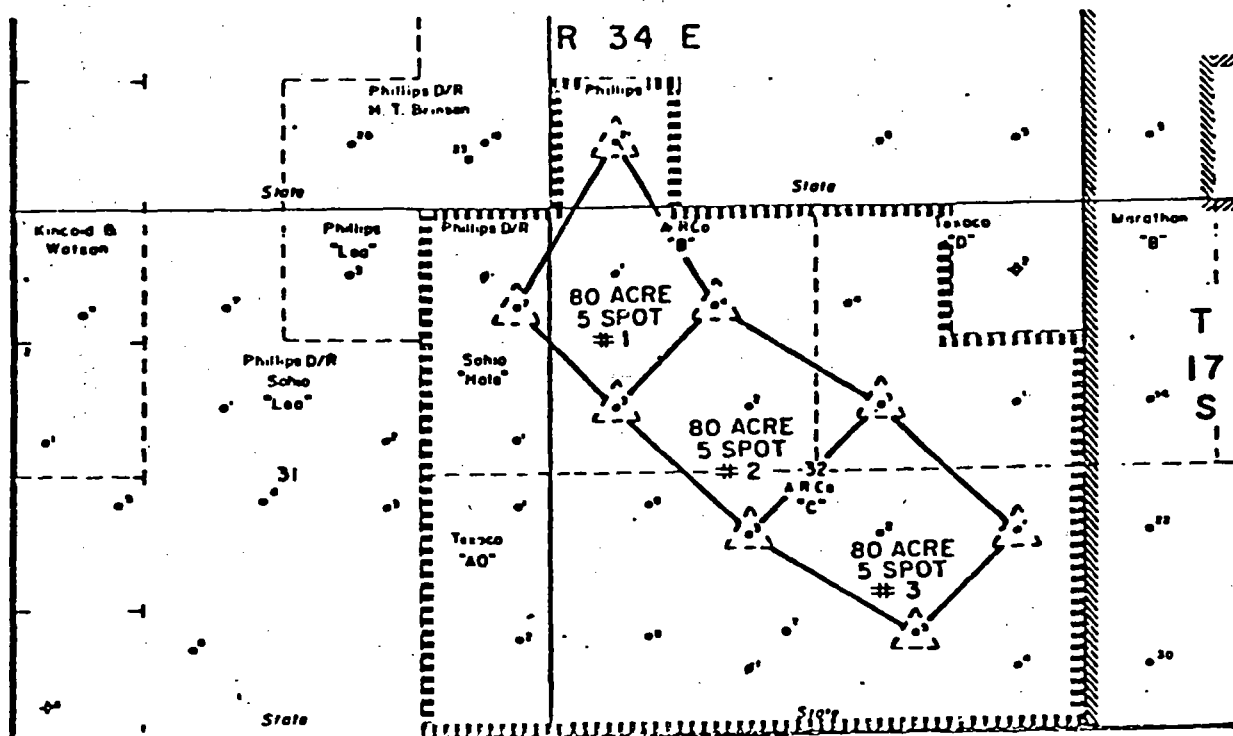


Table 1

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 MSTBO
Primary Recovery (40-acres):	3,266 MSTBO
Secondary Recovery (40-acres):	1,700 MSTBO

TABLE 2
STRATIFICATION ANALYSIS



	<u>% Thickness of Total</u>	<u>KI, md</u>	<u>Scw, %</u>	<u>Sgx, %</u>	<u>Sor, %</u>
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 1					
Layer #1	42.1	4.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	37.0	1.7	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	20.9	0.5	26.5	24.0	30.0
	100.0				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 2					
Layer #1	25.4	26.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	30.8	8.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	17.6	2.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #4	14.9	1.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #5	11.3	0.4	26.5	24.0	30.0
	100.0				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 3					
Layer #1	18.2	19.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	23.5	7.0	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #3	29.4	2.6	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #4	12.6	0.9	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #5	16.3	0.3	26.5	24.0	30.4
	100.0				

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:

$\phi h = 4.56$ (log data)
 $S_w = .265$ (Eng. Study 1976)
Recovery Factor = .248 (Eng. Study 1976)
 $B_{oi} = 1.26$ RB/STB (Eng. Study 1976)
 $A = 6$ acres (Undrained area planimetered from drainage maps)

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758(5)(4.56)(1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 25.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves from 20-acre Spacing}$$

$$25.6 \text{ MBO} \times 175 \text{ SCF/STB} = 4.48 \text{ MMCF Primary Gas}$$

III. New Primary Reserves from A Lower Zone:

$\phi h = 0.96$
 $A = 20$ acres

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758(20)(1)(1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 21.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves for Lower Zone}$$

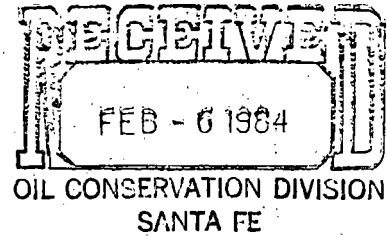
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RE: NGPA - Well Pricing Category Determination
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AR #46429

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) submitted an application for determination of Section 103, New Onshore Well pricing category on December 13, 1983.

Please find attached another copy of our application for Infill Findings. We hope this is in compliance with New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Order No. R-6013-A. We are sorry for this inconvenience.

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

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosures

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



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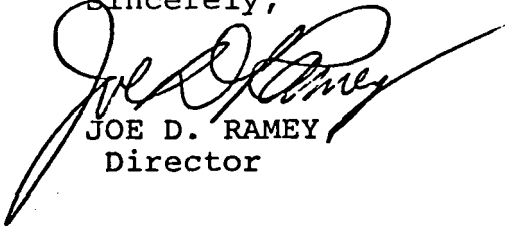
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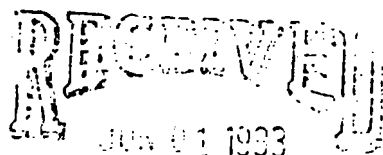
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Sincerely,


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Director

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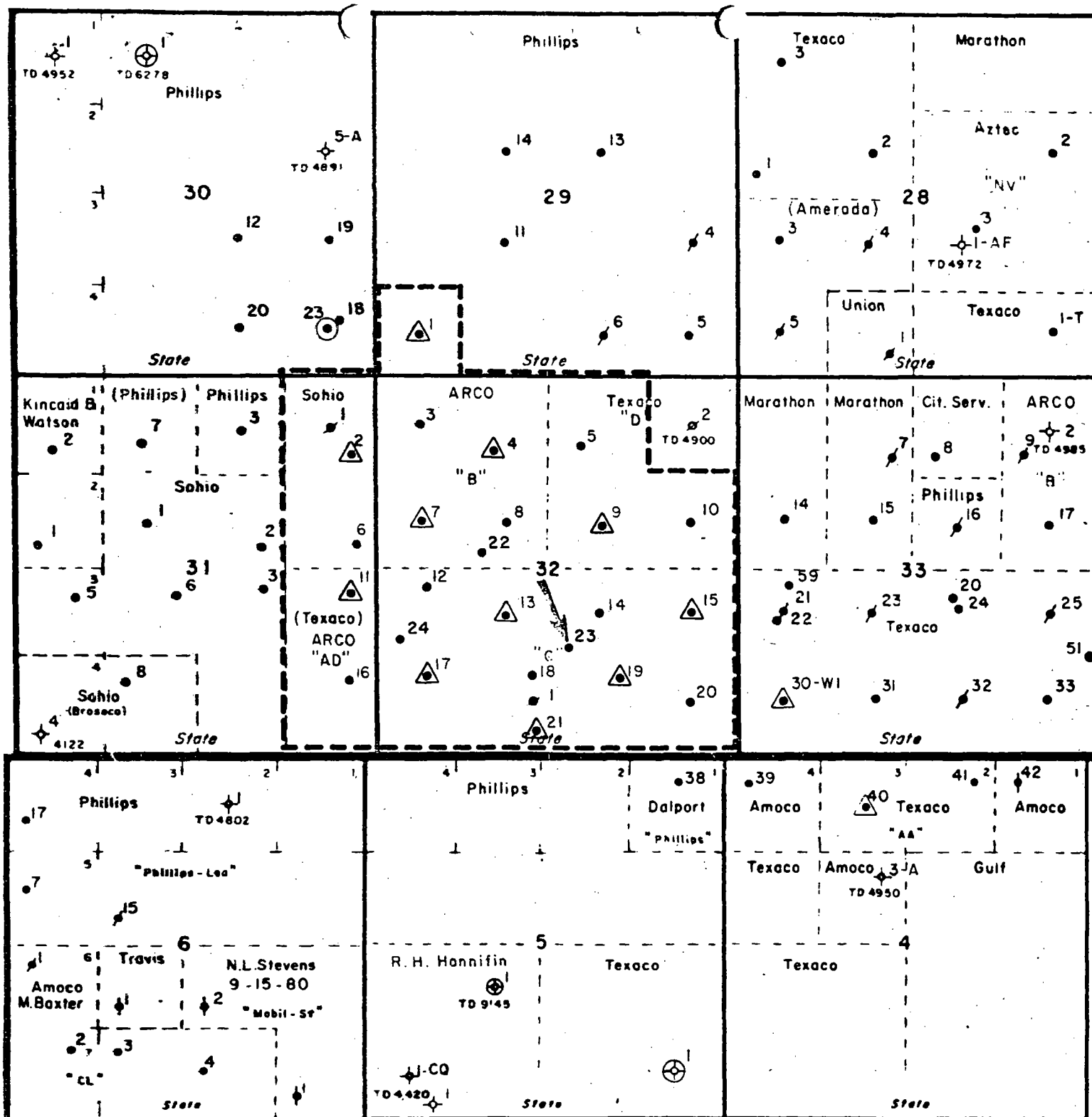
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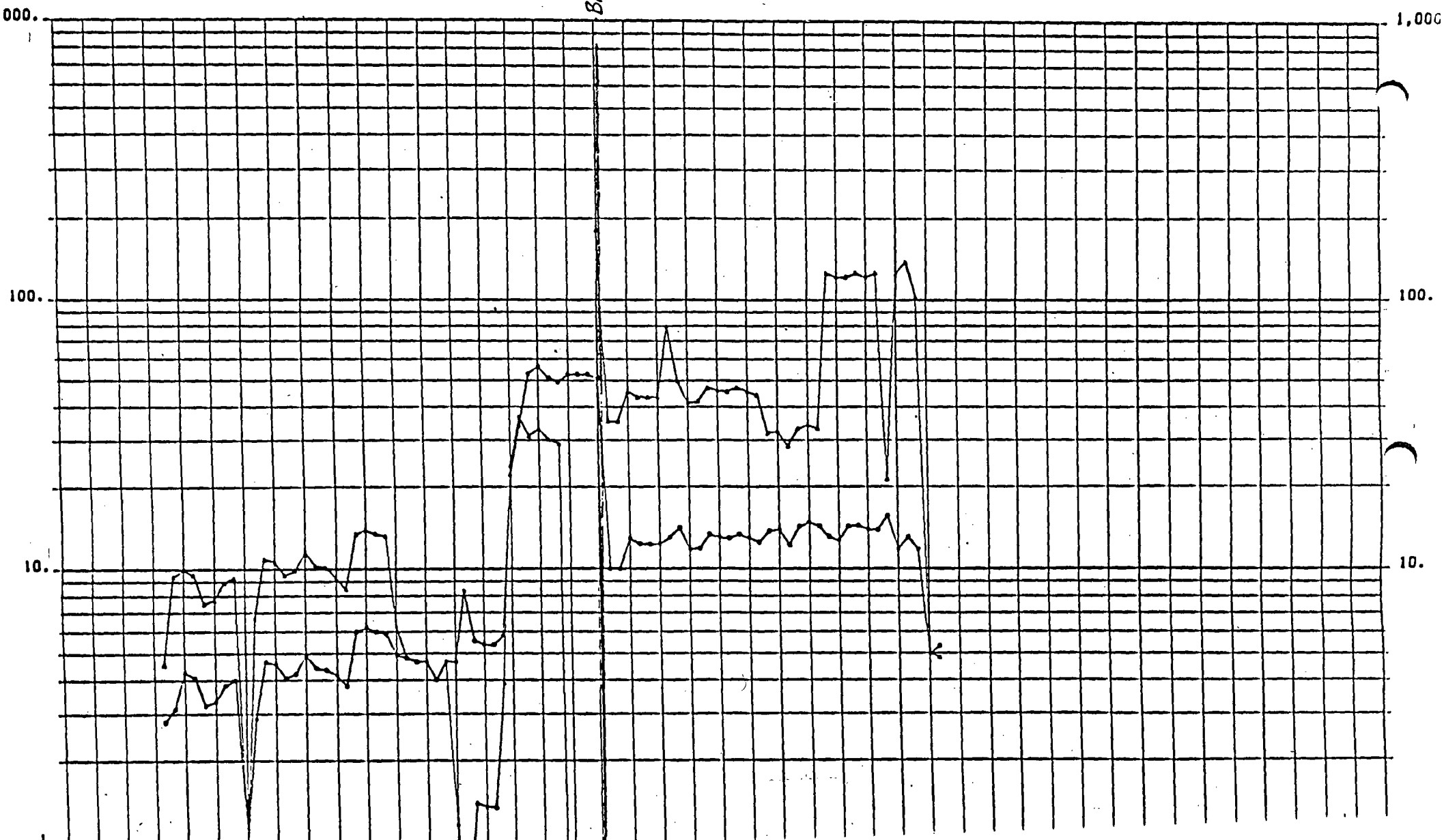
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Break through

○ -AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
▲ -AVG. DAILY H₂O (BBL)

Figure 1
State Vacuum Unit No. 6

FIELD, 830 - VACUUM
LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV., 02 - GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES



Breakthrough

Figure 2
State Vacuum Unit No. 10

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
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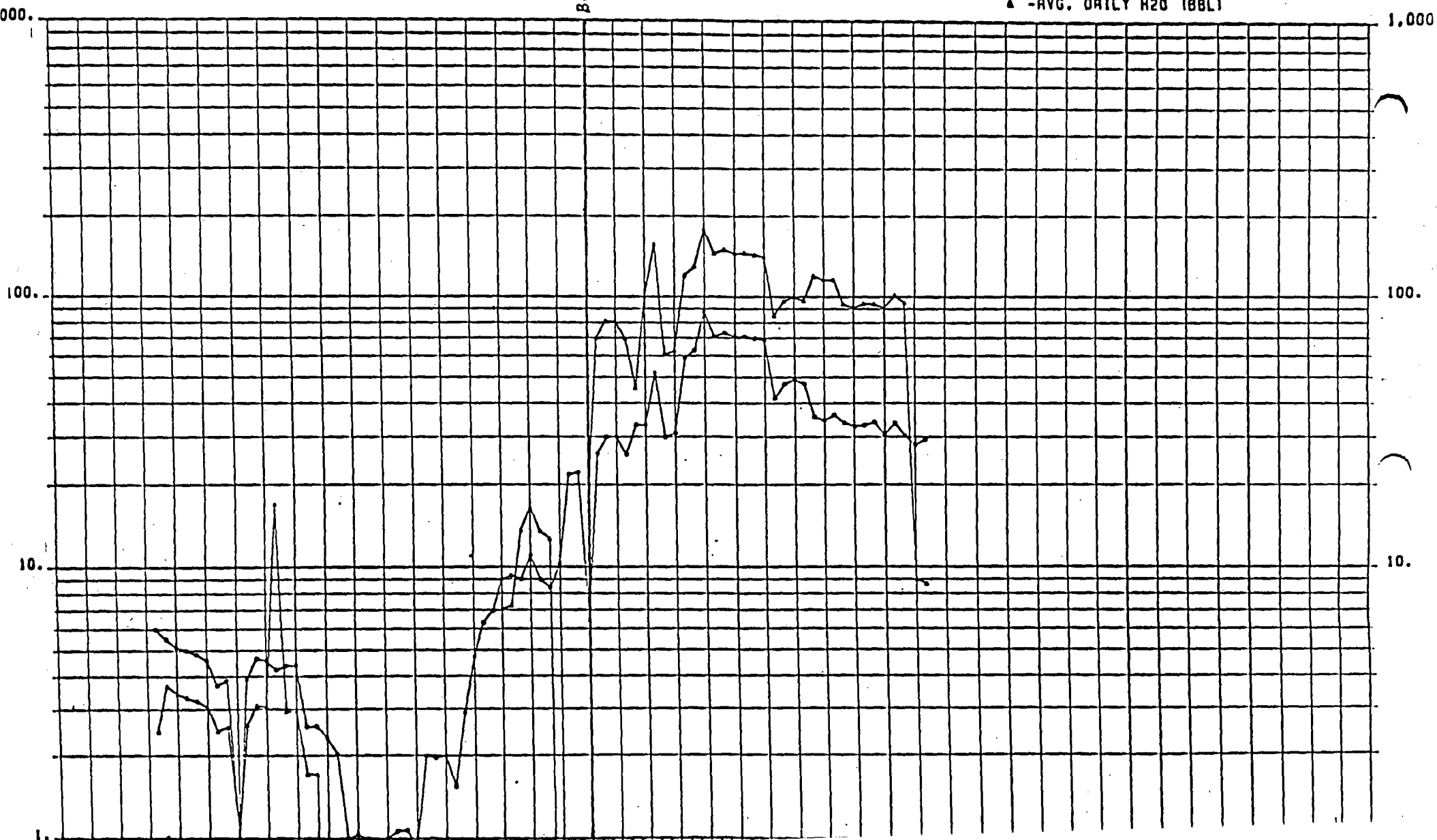
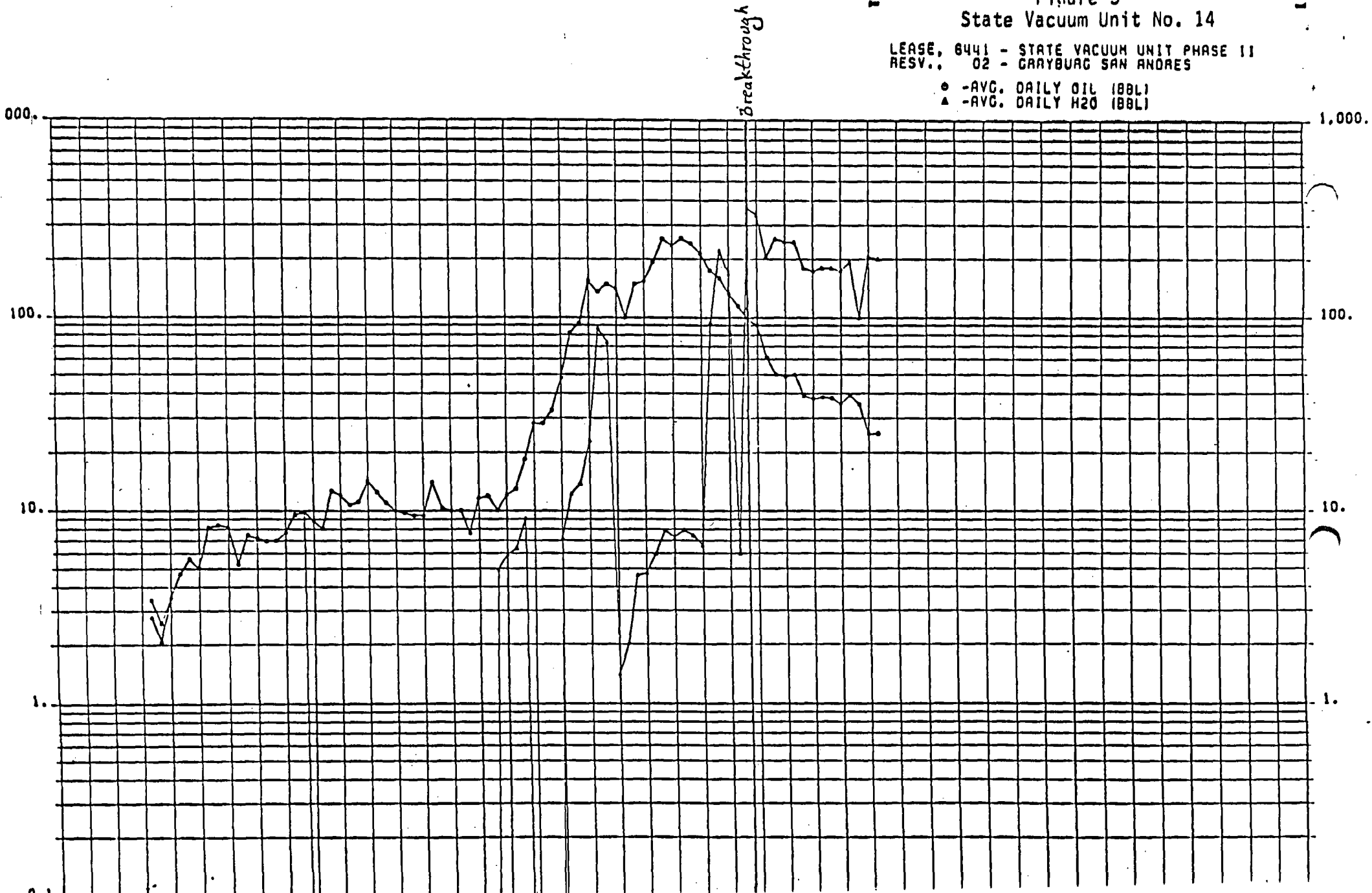
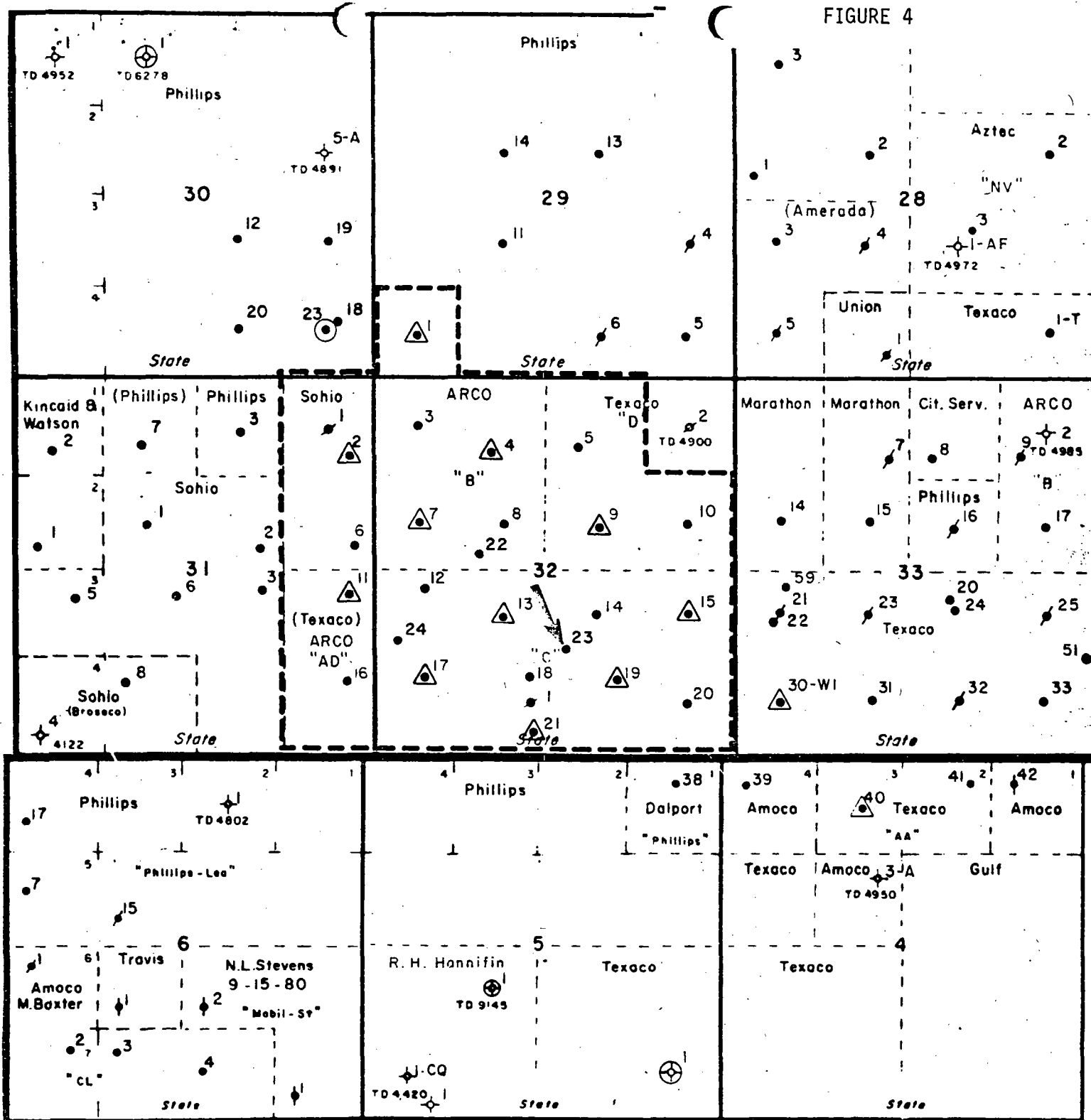


Figure 3
State Vacuum Unit No. 14

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
RESV., 02 - GARYBURG SAN ANDRES

○ -AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
▲ -AVG. DAILY H₂O (BBL)





LEGEND

- UNIT BOUNDARY
- PRODUCER - SAN ANDRES
- ▲ INJECTOR - SAN ANDRES
- PROPOSED LOCATION

ARCO Oil and Gas Company
Division of American Petroleum Institute
 Permian District Midland, Texas

VACUUM (GRBG - S.A.) AREA
STATE VACUUM UNIT
 Lea County, New Mexico

Scale 1" = 2000'

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Date 10-20-82	Revised By	Date 5-83
Drawn By West Engineering	Drawn By	

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FIGURE 5

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Phillips
HBP

A R Co

Kincaid &
WatsonPhillips
"Leo"Phillips D/R
M. T. Brinson

A R Co

Texaco
"D"Marathon
"B"Marathon
"B"

Continental

A R Co

A R Co

Phillips D/R
Sahio
"Leo"Phillips D/R
Sahio
"Leo"A R Co
"C"Texaco
"O"Phillips
"Leo"Phillips
"Leo"

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Pan Am
HBP

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Phillips
"Leo"

Phillips

Pan Am

Texaco
"AA"

Phillips

L E G E N D

STATE VACUUM UNIT BOUNDARY

PROPOSED WELL LOCATION

Atlantic Richfield Company
North American Producing Division
Permian District - Midland Texas

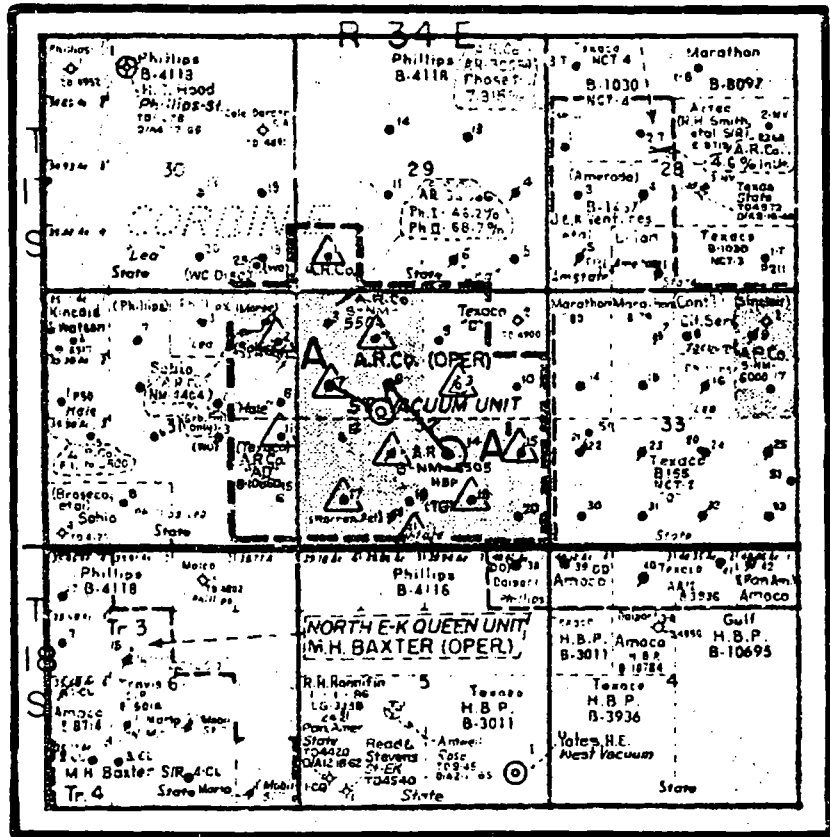
VACUUM FIELD

Lea County, New Mexico

STATE VACUUM UNIT

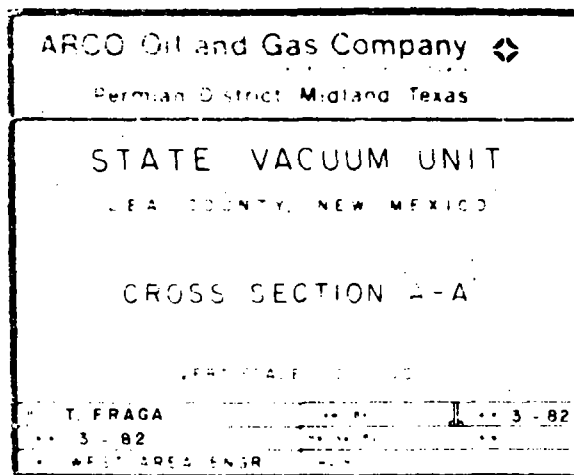
STRUCTURE MAP
TOP OF SAN ANDRESP. J. PRAGA
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INDEX MAP
Scale 1" = 4000

FIGURE 6



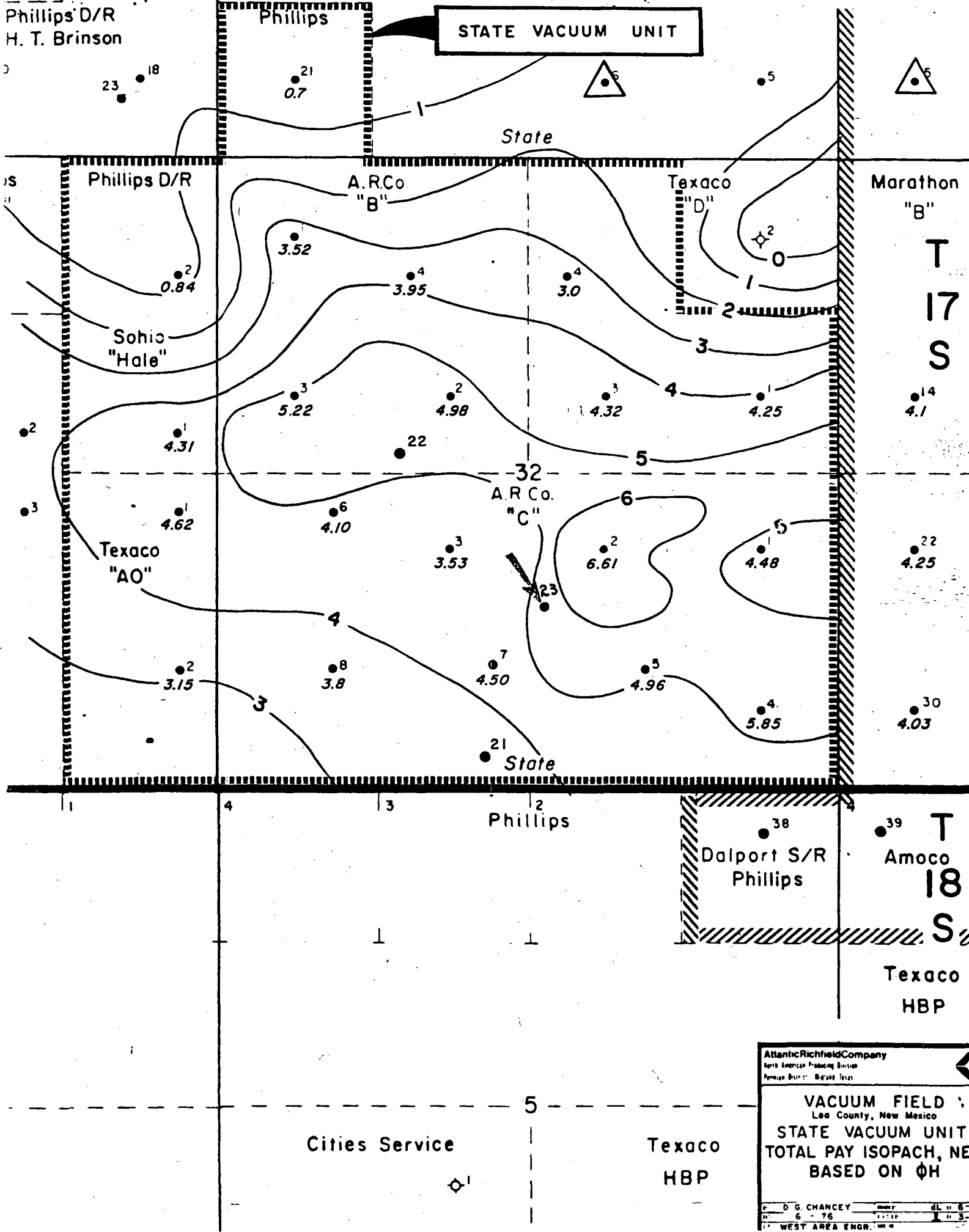
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FIGURE 7

Phillips D/R
H. T. Brinson

Phillips

STATE VACUUM UNIT

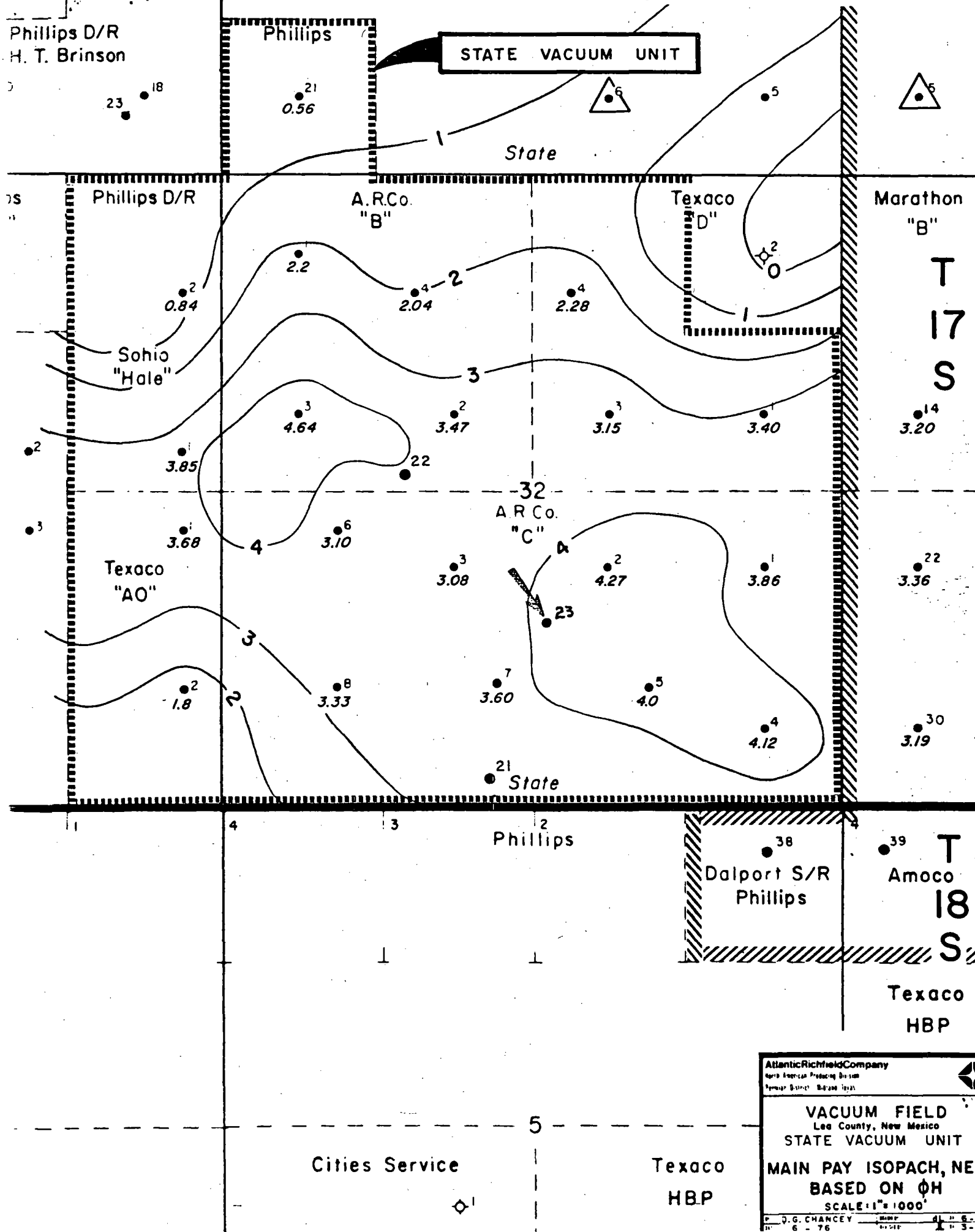


Atlantic Richfield Company
North American Producing Division
Permian District - Midland Texas

VACUUM FIELD :
Lee County, New Mexico
STATE VACUUM UNIT
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FIGURE 8



AVERAGE OF
FIRST POROSITY - vs. - WATER SATURATION
(FROM STUDY BY SHELL OIL COMPANY)
WASSON SAN ANDRES FIELD

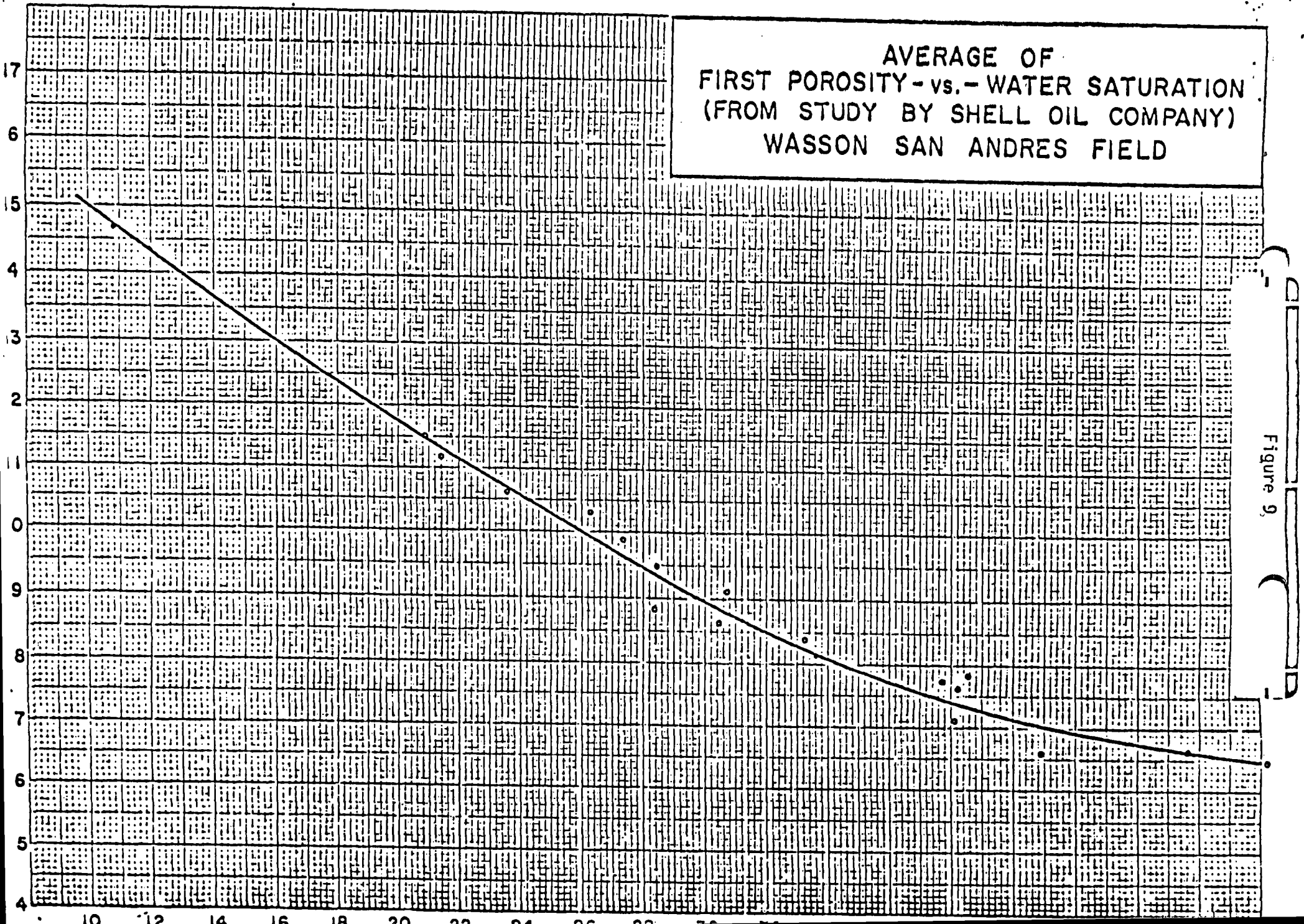


Figure 9

ARCO Oil and Gas Company

State Vacuum Unit #23

KB 4085

TD 4076

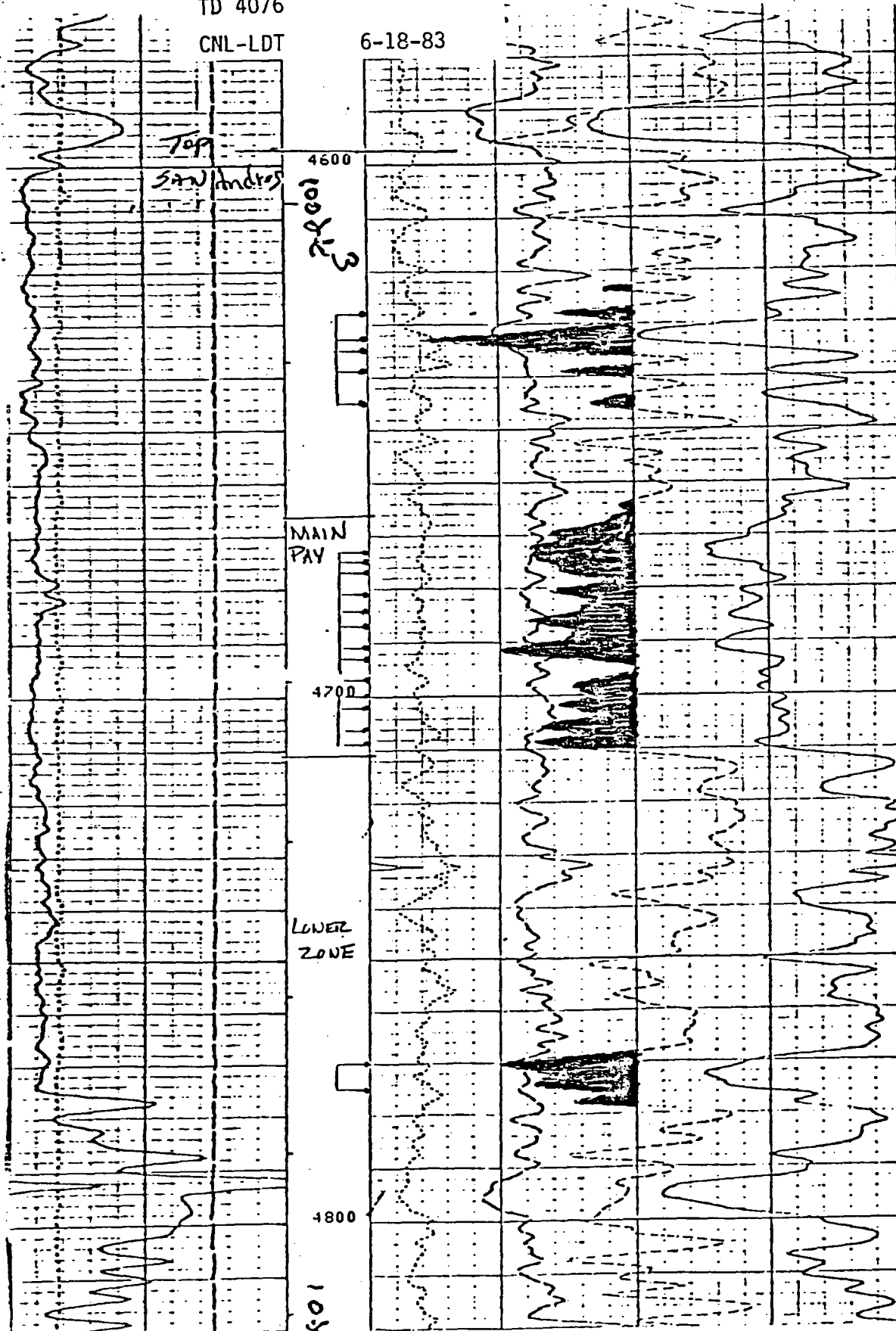


FIGURE 10

Water Injection
Began

No. 22 completed

Figure 11
Continued Operations vs Infill Drilling

LEASE, 6441 - STATE VACUUM UNIT PHASE II
WELL COUNT - 31

- -AVG. DAILY OIL (BBL)
- △ -AVG. DAILY H₂O (BBL)
- ♦ -GAS OIL RATIO

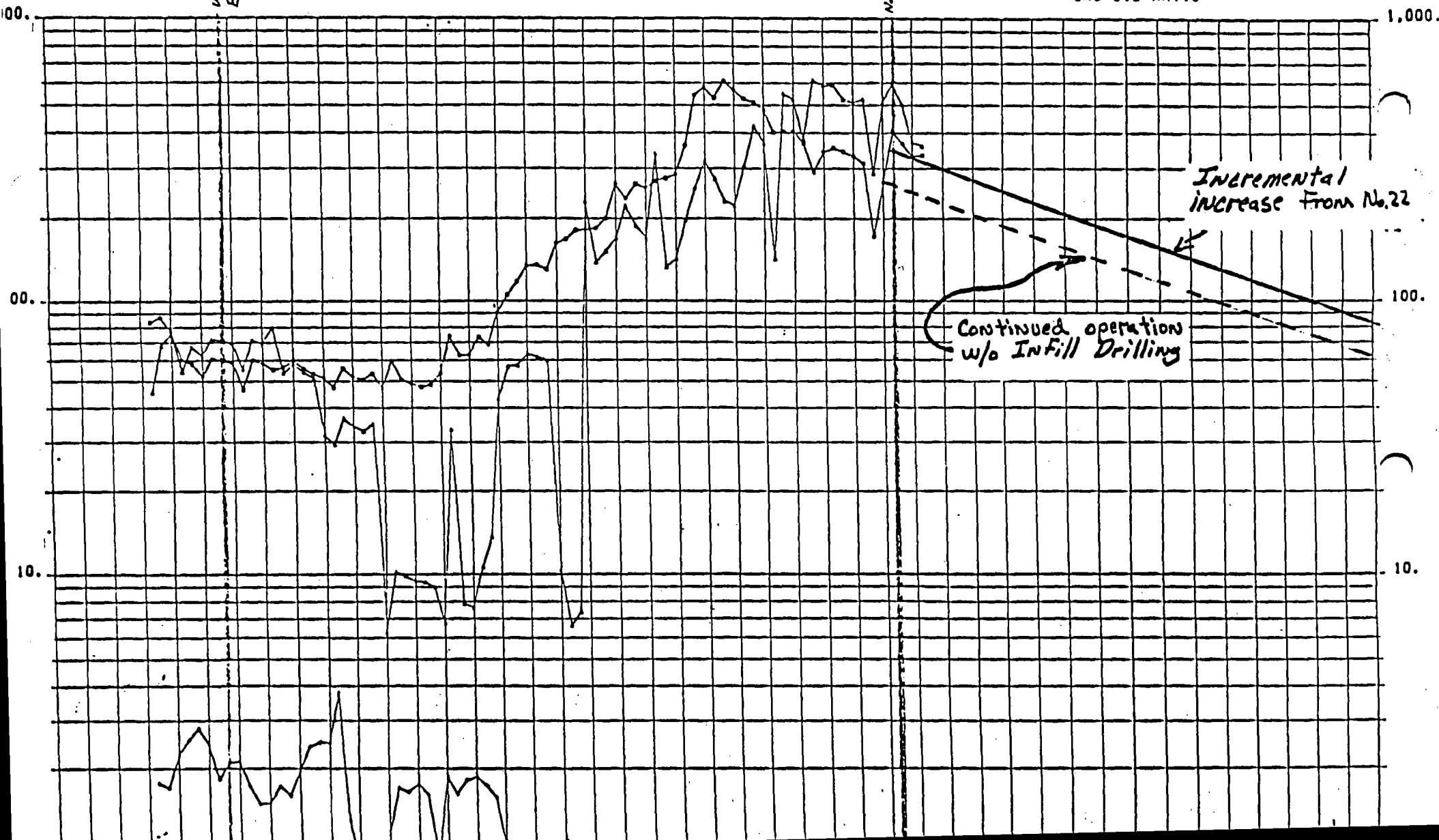
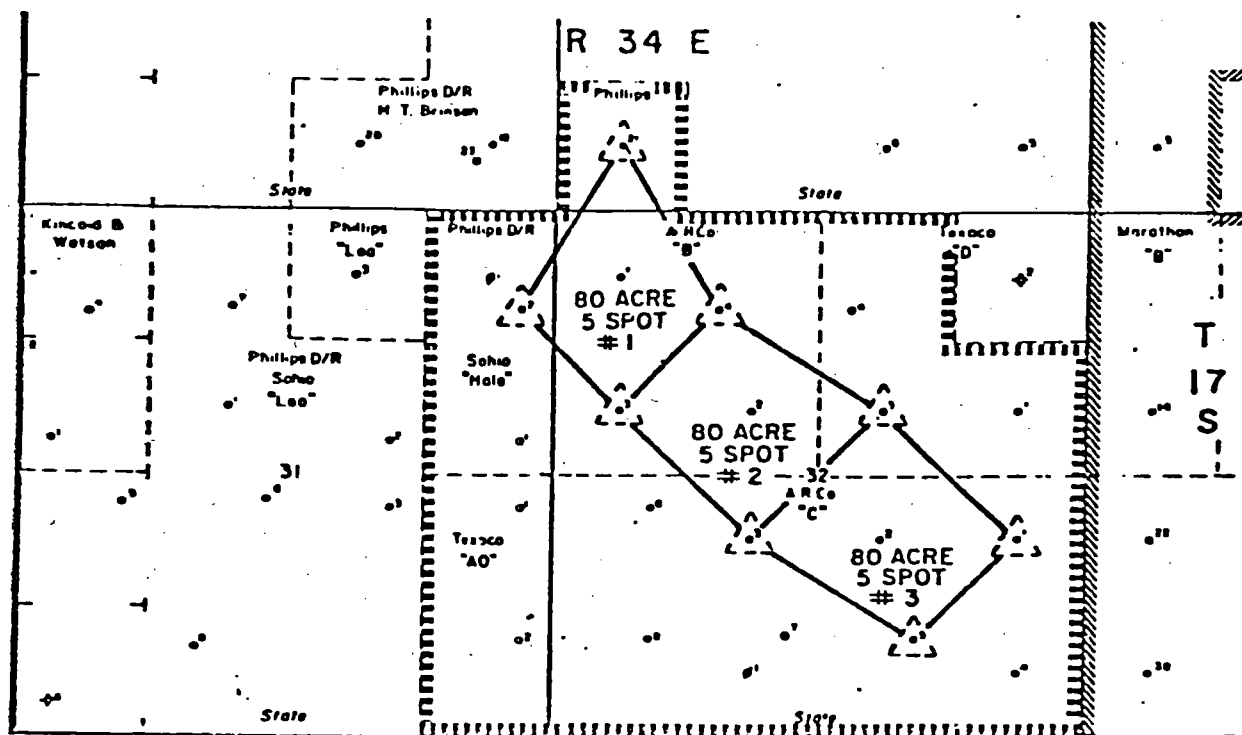


Table I

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 MSTBO
Primary Recovery (40-acres):	3,266 MSTBO
Secondary Recovery (40-acres):	1,700 MSTBO

TABLE 2
STRATIFICATION ANALYSIS



	% Thickness of Total	Kl, md	Scw, %	Sgx, %	Sor, %
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 1					
Layer #1	42.1	4.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	37.0	1.7	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	20.9	0.5	26.5	24.0	30.0
	100.0				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 2					
Layer #1	25.4	26.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	30.8	8.6	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	17.6	2.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #4	14.9	1.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #5	11.3	0.4	26.5	24.0	30.0
	100.0				
80-ACRE 5-SPOT NO. 3					
Layer #1	18.2	19.8	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #2	23.5	7.0	26.5	24.0	30.0
Layer #3	29.4	2.6	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #4	12.6	0.9	26.5	24.0	30.4
Layer #5	16.3	0.3	26.5	24.0	30.4
	100.0				

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:

$\phi h = 4.56$ (log data)
 $S_w = .265$ (Eng. Study 1976)
Recovery Factor = .248 (Eng. Study 1976)
 $B_{oi} = 1.26$ RB/STB (Eng. Study 1976)
 $A = 6$ acres (Undrained area planimetered from drainage maps)

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758 (5) (4.56) (1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 25.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves from 20-acre Spacing}$$

$$25.6 \text{ MBO} \times 175 \text{ SCF/STB} = 4.48 \text{ MMCF Primary Gas}$$

III. New Primary Reserves from A Lower Zone:

$\phi h = 0.96$
 $A = 20$ acres

$$\frac{7758 A \phi h (1 - S_w)}{B_{oi}} \times R_f = \frac{7758 (20) (1) (1 - .265)}{1.26} \times .248 = 21.6 \text{ MBO Primary Reserves for Lower Zone}$$

$$21.6 \text{ MBO} \times (175 \text{ SCF/STB}) = 3.78 \text{ MMCF Primary Gas}$$