

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

January 2, 1996

Conoco, Inc.  
10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W  
Midland, Texas 79705-4500

Attn: Mr. Jerry Hoover

PMX-135  
PDEV0020700135  
PMX-180  
PDEV0020700180

**RE: Injection Pressure Increase MCA Unit Pressure  
Maintenance Project, Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Hoover:

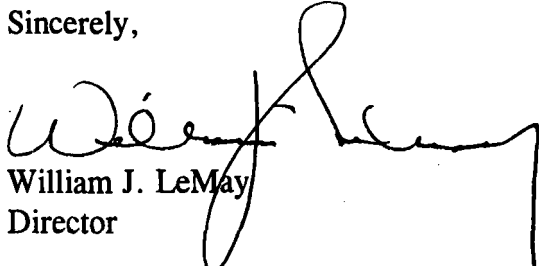
Reference is made to your request dated November 17, 1995 to increase the surface injection pressure on three wells in the above referenced pressure maintenance project. This request is based on a step rate tests conducted on October 19 and 20, 1995. The results of the test have been reviewed by my staff and we feel an increase in injection pressure on these wells is justified at this time.

You are therefore authorized to increase the surface injection pressure on the following wells:

| Well and Location                                                        | Maximum Injection Surface Pressure |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| MCA Unit Well No.280, Unit Letter H, Section 28                          | 1898 PSIG                          |
| MCA Unit Well No.282, Unit Letter B, Section 27                          | 1770 PSIG                          |
| MCA Unit Well No.311, Unit Letter C, Section 2                           | 2560 PSIG                          |
| All located in Township 17 South, Range 33 East, Lea County, New Mexico. |                                    |

The Division Director may rescind this injection pressure increase if it becomes apparent that the injected water is not being confined to the injection zone or is endangering any fresh water aquifers.

Sincerely,



William J. LeMay  
Director

*Injection Pressure Increase*

*Conoco, Inc.*

*January 2, 1996*

*Page 2*

---

WJL/BES

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs  
File: PMX-135, 180; PSI-X 3rd QTR 96





PSJ-X N/R

Midland Division  
Exploration Production

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
RECEIVED

Conoco Inc.  
10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W  
Midland, TX 79705-4500  
(915) 686-5400

NOV 20 AM 8 52

November 17, 1995

Mr. William J. LeMay  
Oil Conservation Division  
2040 S. Pacheco  
Santa Fe New Mexico 8504

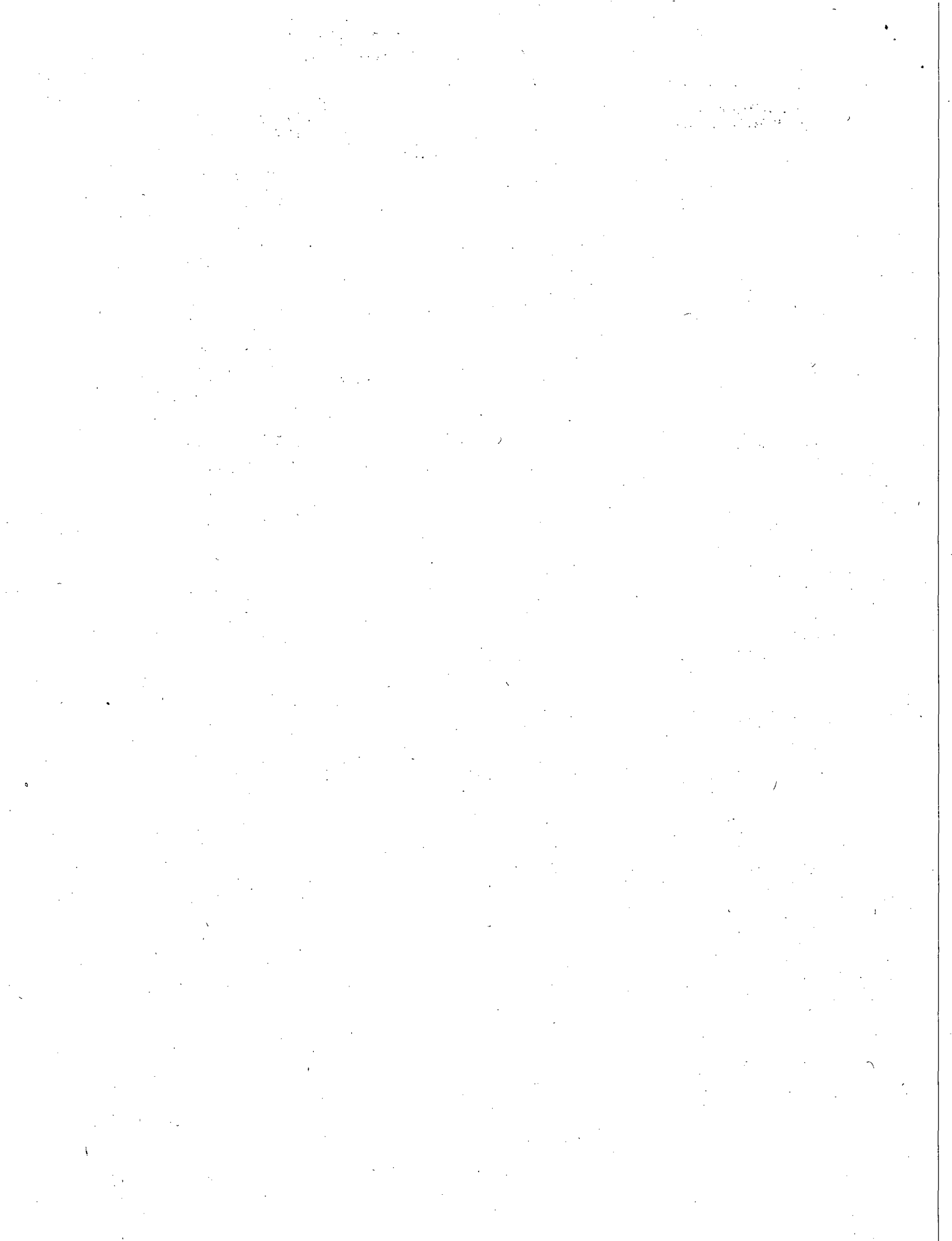
**Re: Application for Authorization of Higher Surface Injection  
Pressures for Three MCA Unit Waterflood Injection Wells  
by Amending Previously Approved Administrative Orders  
No. PMX 135 and PMX 180**

Dear Mr. LeMay:

EXHIBIT A is a map of the MCA Unit showing the standard 80-acre, 5-spot injection pattern prior to the conversion of these three wells, Nos. 280, 282, and 311, to injection. Each of these wellbores is located at an infill location in this pattern. Although Wells No. 282 and 311 were approved on May 24, 1985 by PMX-135 and Well No. 282 on May 16, 1995 by PMX-180 for injection, injection into all three wells was not begun until October of 1995.

EXHIBIT B is a table which shows (a) the 3 subject wells, (b) their current injection rates at the constraining authorized pressures, (c) the current authorized maximum surface injection pressures, (d) the rate and pressure at which fracture occurred in a current step-rate test, and (e) a proposed new maximum surface injection pressure for these wells. Also noted beneath the table are the current orders authorizing injection into these three wells.

All three wells were initially limited routinely to injection pressures equivalent to .2 psi per foot of depth from the surface to the top perforation in each well. Injection is into the fully pressured San Andres reservoir of the mature MCA Waterflood Project and would be normally expected to require a greater injection pressure than the routinely approved .2 psi per foot limit. As shown in EXHIBIT B, none of these injectors can effectively inject water into this reservoir at the currently approved injection pressures.

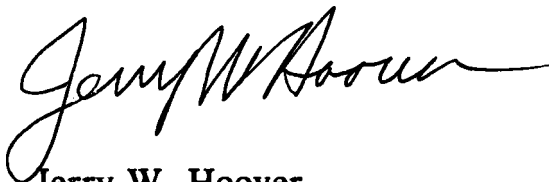


Therefore, after only one month of attempting to inject into these wells, step-rate tests, attached as EXHIBITS C, D, and E, were performed to verify at what surface injection pressures at these various locations that fracture could be expected to occur in the reservoir. Each of these exhibits includes the actual pressure rate data as recorded during the tests and a plot showing the pressure versus rate gradient below and above the identified fracture point.

Effective injection into these three infill locations are necessary to improve the sweep efficiency of the waterflood. All three step-rate tests illustrate clearly the reservoir fracture point in these wells and should adequately support the requested increases in authorized injection pressure which were selected at 50 psi below the recorded fracture points.

Copies of the current injection orders for these three wells, PMX-135 and PMX-180 are also attached as EXHIBITS F and G for your convenience. The granting of this application will prevent waste and will not impair the correlative rights of any party. All three wells are in the interior of the MCA Unit and have no offsets within 1/2 mile of these locations. If there are further questions regarding this application, please contact me at (915) 686-6548.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry W. Hoover", with a stylized, flowing script.

Jerry W. Hoover  
Sr. Conservation Coordinator

cc: Hobbs District OCD Office



**MCA UNIT WATERFLOOD PROJECT  
STEP-RATE TEST RESULTS AND PROPOSED  
SURFACE INJECTION PRESSURE INCREASES**

| <b>MCA<br/>UNIT<br/>Well<br/>No.</b> | <b>Current<br/>Injection<br/>Rate<br/>(BPD)</b> | <b>Current<br/>Surface<br/>Pressure<br/>(PSIG)</b> | <b>Current NMOCD<br/>Maximum Surface<br/>Injection Pressure<br/>(PSIG)</b> | <b>Step-Rate<br/>Break<br/>Pressure<br/>(PSIG)</b> | <b>Injection<br/>Rate at<br/>Break<br/>(BWPD)</b> | <b>PROPOSED NEW<br/>Maximum Surface<br/>Injection Pressure<br/>(PSIG)</b> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>280</b>                           | <b>0</b>                                        | <b>760</b>                                         | <b>760 *</b>                                                               | <b>1948</b>                                        | <b>2310</b>                                       | <b>1898</b>                                                               |
| <b>282</b>                           | <b>0</b>                                        | <b>761</b>                                         | <b>761 **</b>                                                              | <b>1820</b>                                        | <b>2080</b>                                       | <b>1770</b>                                                               |
| <b>311</b>                           | <b>0</b>                                        | <b>795</b>                                         | <b>795 **</b>                                                              | <b>2610</b>                                        | <b>2890</b>                                       | <b>2560</b>                                                               |

\* --- Maximum Surface Injection Pressure established by Administrative Order NO. PMX-180

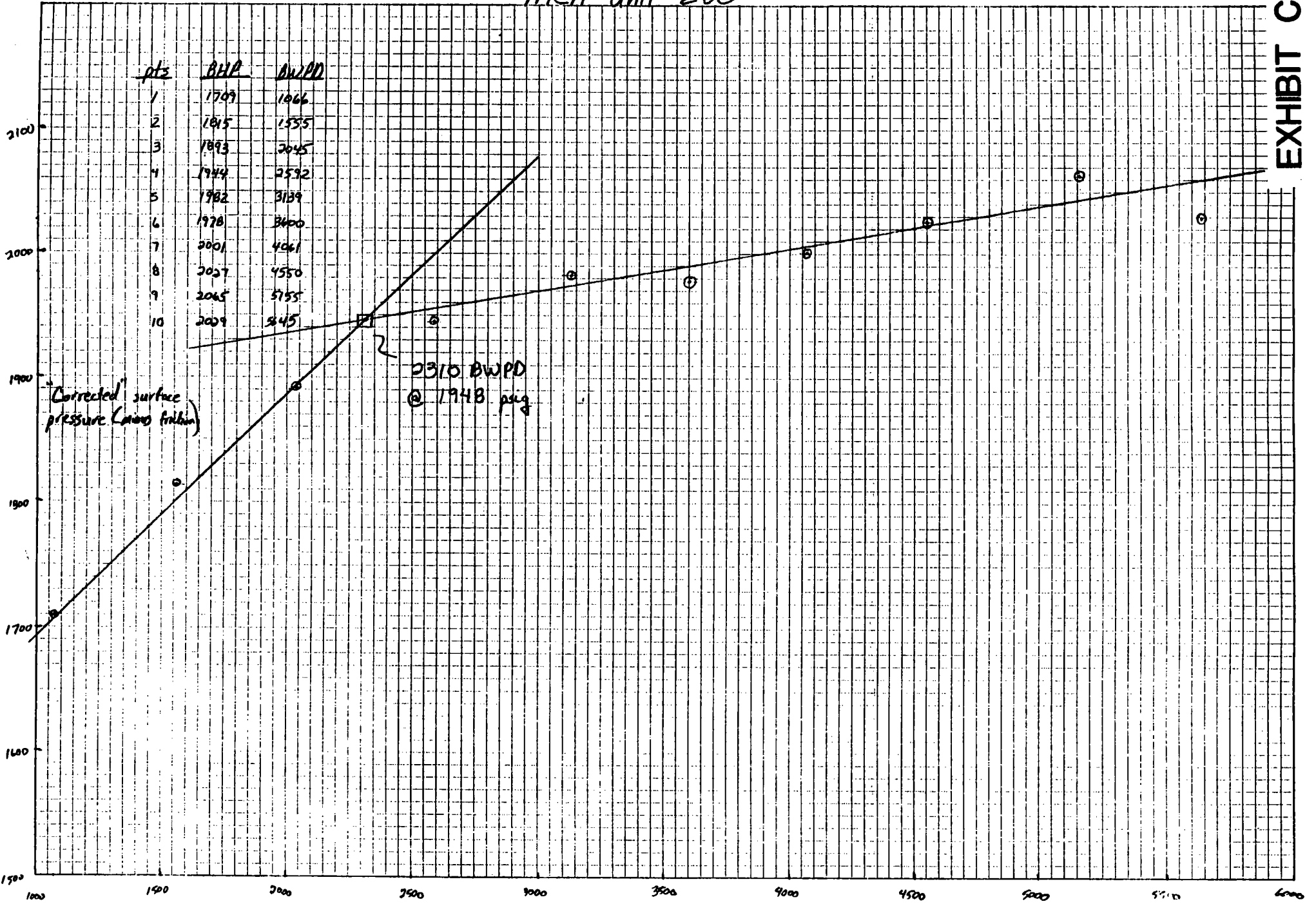
\*\* --- Maximum Surface Injection Pressure established by Administrative Order NO. PMX-135



# MCA Unit 280

EXHIBIT C

| pts | BHP  | BWPD |
|-----|------|------|
| 1   | 1709 | 1066 |
| 2   | 1815 | 1555 |
| 3   | 1893 | 2045 |
| 4   | 1944 | 2592 |
| 5   | 1982 | 3139 |
| 6   | 1978 | 3400 |
| 7   | 2001 | 4061 |
| 8   | 2027 | 4550 |
| 9   | 2065 | 5155 |
| 10  | 2009 | 5445 |



BWPD

**WEST - TEST, INC.**  
A SUBSIDIARY OF JOHN WEST ENGINEERING COMPANY  
Hobbs, New Mexico

**STEP RATE INJECTION TEST**

CLIENT: CONOCO, INC.

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 1995

WELL NAME: M.C.A. UNIT NO. 280  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

WO#: 95-14-1591

PERFS = 3810-4080

PACKER DEPTH = 3752

BHP GAUGE DEPTH = SURFACE ONLY

| STEP NO.<br>&<br>REMARKS | TIME  | (1)<br>SURFACE<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psig) | (2)<br>CUMULATIVE<br>VOL. INJECTED<br>(bbls) | (3)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE<br>(bbls/day) | (4)<br>FRICTION<br>HEAD LOSS<br>(psi) | (5)<br>CORRECTED<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psi) (1)-(4) | (6)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE (gpm)<br>(3)/34.2857 | (7)<br>MEASURED<br>BHP<br>(psi) |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1                        | 8:20  | 1544.9                                    |                                              |                                        |                                       | 1544.9                                             |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 8:25  | 1657.3                                    | 2.5                                          | 720.0                                  | 16.313                                | 1641.0                                             | 21.00                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:30  | 1696.0                                    | 6.1                                          | 1036.8                                 | 32.025                                | 1664.0                                             | 30.24                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:35  | 1704.9                                    | 10.1                                         | 1152.0                                 | 38.918                                | 1666.0                                             | 33.60                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:40  | 1723.9                                    | 13.9                                         | 1094.4                                 | 35.394                                | 1688.5                                             | 31.92                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:45  | 1735.3                                    | 17.6                                         | 1065.6                                 | 33.691                                | 1701.6                                             | 31.08                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:50  | 1743.0                                    | 21.3                                         | 1065.6                                 | 33.691                                | 1709.3                                             | 31.08                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                              | 1022.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 8:55  | 1815.6                                    | 26.6                                         | 1526.4                                 | 65.501                                | 1750.1                                             | 44.52                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:00  | 1838.2                                    | 32.0                                         | 1555.2                                 | 67.805                                | 1770.4                                             | 45.36                                         |                                 |
| 2                        | 9:05  | 1853.4                                    | 37.4                                         | 1555.2                                 | 67.805                                | 1785.6                                             | 45.36                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:10  | 1864.7                                    | 42.7                                         | 1526.4                                 | 65.501                                | 1799.2                                             | 44.52                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:15  | 1882.3                                    | 48.0                                         | 1526.4                                 | 65.501                                | 1816.8                                             | 44.52                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:20  | 1882.4                                    | 53.4                                         | 1555.2                                 | 67.805                                | 1814.6                                             | 45.36                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                              | 1540.8                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:25  | 1956.2                                    | 60.6                                         | 2073.6                                 | 115.452                               | 1840.7                                             | 60.48                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:30  | 1966.3                                    | 67.6                                         | 2016.0                                 | 109.589                               | 1856.7                                             | 58.80                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:35  | 1982.6                                    | 74.6                                         | 2016.0                                 | 109.589                               | 1873.0                                             | 58.80                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:40  | 1986.4                                    | 81.6                                         | 2016.0                                 | 109.589                               | 1876.8                                             | 58.80                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:45  | 1991.5                                    | 88.7                                         | 2044.8                                 | 112.503                               | 1879.0                                             | 59.64                                         |                                 |
| 3                        | 9:50  | 2005.3                                    | 95.8                                         | 2044.8                                 | 112.503                               | 1892.8                                             | 59.64                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                              | 2035.2                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:55  | 2082.8                                    | 104.8                                        | 2592.0                                 | 174.455                               | 1908.3                                             | 75.60                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:00 | 2099.1                                    | 113.8                                        | 2592.0                                 | 174.455                               | 1924.6                                             | 75.60                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:05 | 2111.7                                    | 122.9                                        | 2620.8                                 | 178.058                               | 1933.6                                             | 76.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:10 | 2119.2                                    | 132.0                                        | 2620.8                                 | 178.058                               | 1941.1                                             | 76.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:15 | 2105.5                                    | 141.0                                        | 2592.0                                 | 174.455                               | 1931.0                                             | 75.60                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:20 | 2118.0                                    | 150.0                                        | 2592.0                                 | 174.455                               | 1943.5                                             | 75.60                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                              | 2601.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                              |                                        |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |

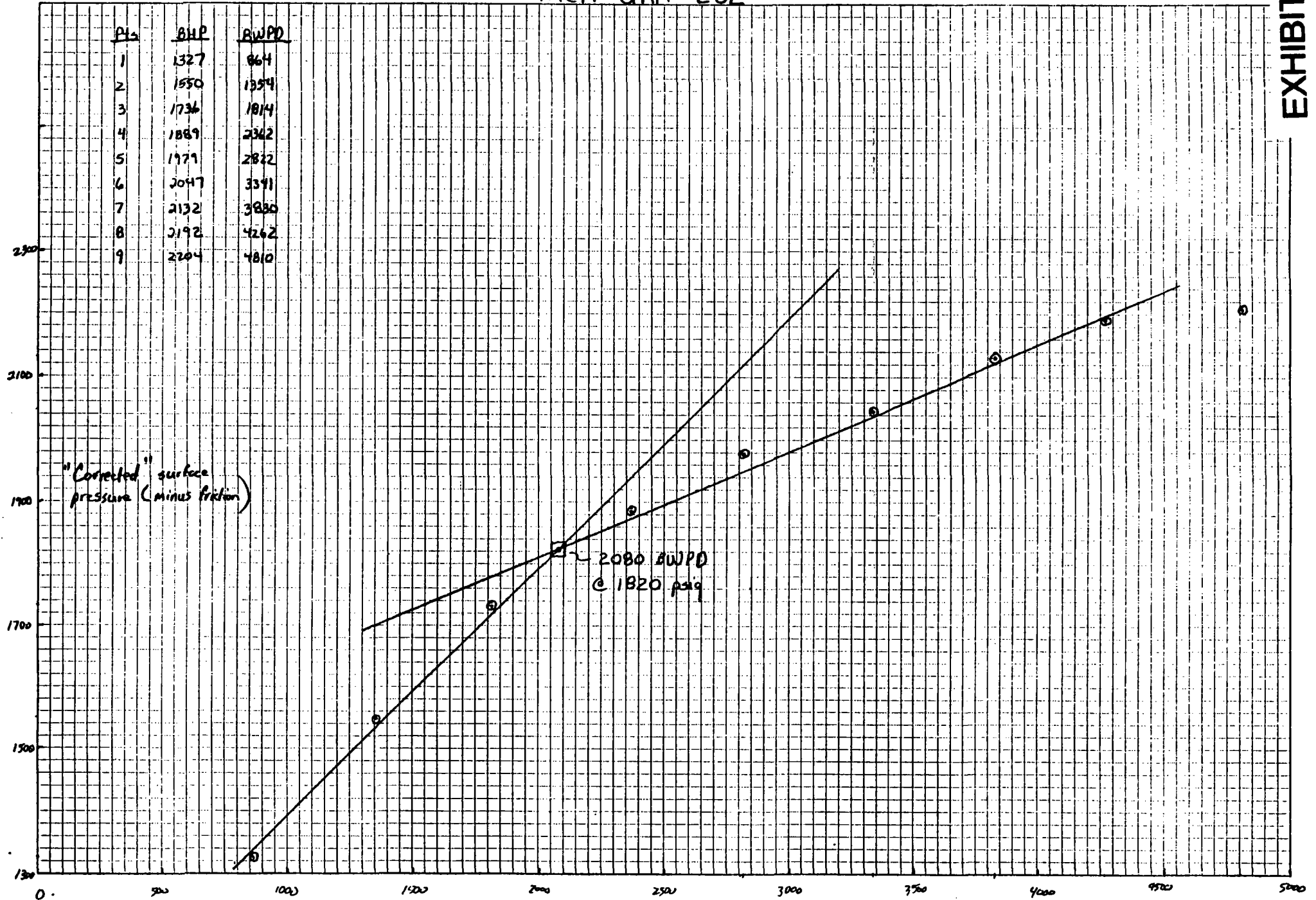
| STEP NO.<br>&<br>REMARKS | TIME  | (1)<br>SURFACE<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psig) | (2)<br>CUMMULATIVE<br>VOL. INJECTED<br>(bbls) | (3)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE<br>(bbls/day) | (4)<br>FRICTION<br>HEAD LOSS<br>(psi) | (5)<br>CORRECTED<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psi) (1)-(4) | (6)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE (gpm)<br>(3)/34.2857 | (7)<br>MEASURED<br>BHP<br>(psi) |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 5                        | 10:25 | 2189.2                                    | 160.3                                         | 2966.4                                 | 223.916                               | 1965.3                                             | 86.52                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:30 | 2206.7                                    | 170.8                                         | 3024.0                                 | 232.026                               | 1974.7                                             | 88.20                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:35 | 2219.2                                    | 181.4                                         | 3052.8                                 | 236.130                               | 1983.1                                             | 89.04                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:40 | 2227.9                                    | 192.1                                         | 3081.6                                 | 240.268                               | 1987.6                                             | 89.88                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:45 | 2225.4                                    | 202.9                                         | 3110.4                                 | 244.439                               | 1981.0                                             | 90.72                                         |                                 |
|                          | 10:50 | 2230.4                                    | 213.8                                         | 3139.2                                 | 248.642                               | 1981.8                                             | 91.56                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 3062.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:55 | 2312.9                                    | 226.3                                         | 3600.0                                 | 320.346                               | 1992.6                                             | 105.00                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:00 | 2324.1                                    | 238.9                                         | 3628.8                                 | 325.103                               | 1999.0                                             | 105.84                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:05 | 2319.1                                    | 251.4                                         | 3600.0                                 | 320.346                               | 1998.8                                             | 105.00                                        |                                 |
| 6                        | 11:10 | 2320.3                                    | 264.0                                         | 3628.8                                 | 325.103                               | 1995.2                                             | 105.84                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:15 | 2310.3                                    | 276.5                                         | 3600.0                                 | 320.346                               | 1990.0                                             | 105.00                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:20 | 2297.8                                    | 289.0                                         | 3600.0                                 | 320.346                               | 1977.5                                             | 105.00                                        |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 3609.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 11:25 | 2380.3                                    | 303.2                                         | 4089.6                                 | 405.573                               | 1974.7                                             | 119.28                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:30 | 2389.1                                    | 317.3                                         | 4060.8                                 | 400.305                               | 1988.8                                             | 118.44                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:35 | 2394.1                                    | 331.3                                         | 4032.0                                 | 395.069                               | 1999.0                                             | 117.60                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:40 | 2431.7                                    | 345.5                                         | 4089.6                                 | 405.573                               | 2026.1                                             | 119.28                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:45 | 2411.7                                    | 359.6                                         | 4060.8                                 | 400.305                               | 2011.4                                             | 118.44                                        |                                 |
|                          | 11:50 | 2401.6                                    | 373.7                                         | 4060.8                                 | 400.305                               | 2001.3                                             | 118.44                                        |                                 |
| 7                        |       |                                           |                                               | 4065.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 11:55 | 2521.6                                    | 389.5                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2027.5                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:00 | 2529.0                                    | 405.3                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2034.9                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:05 | 2532.7                                    | 421.1                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2038.6                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:10 | 2508.8                                    | 436.9                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2014.7                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:15 | 2510.0                                    | 452.7                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2015.9                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:20 | 2521.2                                    | 468.5                                         | 4550.4                                 | 494.142                               | 2027.1                                             | 132.72                                        |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 4550.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 12:25 | 2670.3                                    | 486.4                                         | 5155.2                                 | 622.464                               | 2047.8                                             | 150.36                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:30 | 2670.3                                    | 504.1                                         | 5097.6                                 | 609.658                               | 2060.6                                             | 148.68                                        |                                 |
| 8                        | 12:35 | 2672.7                                    | 521.9                                         | 5126.4                                 | 616.046                               | 2056.7                                             | 149.52                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:40 | 2670.2                                    | 539.7                                         | 5126.4                                 | 616.046                               | 2054.2                                             | 149.52                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:45 | 2657.6                                    | 557.6                                         | 5155.2                                 | 622.464                               | 2035.1                                             | 150.36                                        |                                 |
|                          | 12:50 | 2687.6                                    | 575.5                                         | 5155.2                                 | 622.464                               | 2065.1                                             | 150.36                                        |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 5136.0                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 12:55 | 2793.0                                    | 595.0                                         | 5616.0                                 | 729.290                               | 2063.7                                             | 163.80                                        |                                 |
|                          | 1:00  | 2789.2                                    | 614.4                                         | 5587.2                                 | 722.386                               | 2066.8                                             | 162.96                                        |                                 |
|                          | 1:05  | 2784.0                                    | 634.0                                         | 5644.8                                 | 736.224                               | 2047.8                                             | 164.64                                        |                                 |
|                          | 1:10  | 2808.0                                    | 653.6                                         | 5644.8                                 | 736.224                               | 2071.8                                             | 164.64                                        |                                 |
|                          | 1:15  | 2765.3                                    | 673.2                                         | 5644.8                                 | 736.224                               | 2029.1                                             | 164.64                                        |                                 |
| 10                       |       |                                           |                                               | 5627.5                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |

Page 3

MCA Unit 282

EXHIBIT D

| PLS | BHP  | BWPD |
|-----|------|------|
| 1   | 1327 | 864  |
| 2   | 1550 | 1394 |
| 3   | 1736 | 1814 |
| 4   | 1889 | 2342 |
| 5   | 1979 | 2832 |
| 6   | 2047 | 3391 |
| 7   | 2132 | 3880 |
| 8   | 2192 | 4262 |
| 9   | 2204 | 4810 |



**WEST-TEST, INC.**  
A SUBSIDIARY OF JOHN WEST ENGINEERING COMPANY  
Hobbs, New Mexico

**STEP RATE INJECTION TEST**

CLIENT: CONOCO, INC.

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 1995

WELL NAME: M.C.A. UNIT NO. 282  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

WO#: 95-14-1592

PERFS = 3806-4037

PACKER DEPTH = 3710

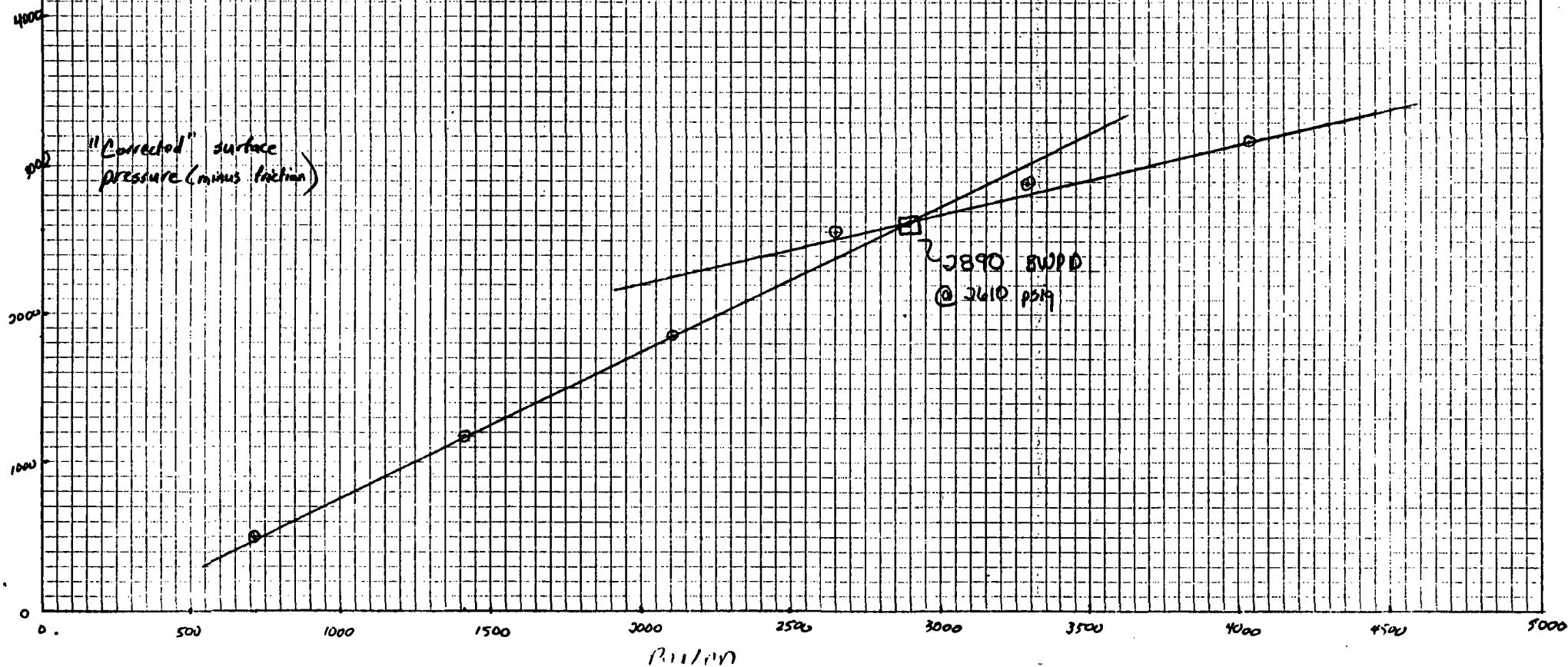
BHP GAUGE DEPTH = SURFACE ONLY

| STEP NO.<br>&<br>REMARKS | TIME  | (1)<br>SURFACE<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psig) | (2)<br>CUMMULATIVE<br>VOL. INJECTED<br>(bbls) | (3)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE<br>(bbls/day) | (4)<br>FRICTION<br>HEAD LOSS<br>(psi) | (5)<br>CORRECTED<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psi) (1)-(4) | (6)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE (gpm)<br>(3)/34.2857 | (7)<br>MEASURED<br>BHP<br>(psi) |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1                        | 8:20  | 1064.0                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 1064.0                                             |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 8:25  | 1278.0                                    | 3.0                                           | 864.0                                  | 22.717                                | 1255.3                                             | 25.20                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:30  | 1318.9                                    | 6.1                                           | 892.8                                  | 24.138                                | 1294.8                                             | 26.04                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:35  | 1350.0                                    | 9.1                                           | 864.0                                  | 22.717                                | 1327.3                                             | 25.20                                         |                                 |
| 2                        |       |                                           |                                               | 873.6                                  |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 8:40  | 1513.9                                    | 13.9                                          | 1382.4                                 | 54.198                                | 1459.7                                             | 40.32                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:45  | 1558.9                                    | 18.6                                          | 1353.6                                 | 52.127                                | 1506.8                                             | 39.48                                         |                                 |
|                          | 8:50  | 1602.7                                    | 23.3                                          | 1353.6                                 | 52.127                                | 1550.6                                             | 39.48                                         |                                 |
| 3                        |       |                                           |                                               | 1363.2                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 8:55  | 1765.0                                    | 29.9                                          | 1900.8                                 | 97.688                                | 1667.3                                             | 55.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:00  | 1802.6                                    | 36.4                                          | 1872.0                                 | 94.968                                | 1707.6                                             | 54.60                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:05  | 1825.1                                    | 42.7                                          | 1814.4                                 | 89.633                                | 1735.5                                             | 52.92                                         |                                 |
| 4                        |       |                                           |                                               | 1862.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:10  | 1978.8                                    | 50.9                                          | 2361.6                                 | 145.963                               | 1832.8                                             | 68.88                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:15  | 2012.6                                    | 59.1                                          | 2361.6                                 | 145.963                               | 1866.6                                             | 68.88                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:20  | 2035.1                                    | 67.3                                          | 2361.6                                 | 145.963                               | 1889.1                                             | 68.88                                         |                                 |
| 5                        |       |                                           |                                               | 2361.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:25  | 2148.9                                    | 77.2                                          | 2851.2                                 | 206.829                               | 1942.1                                             | 83.16                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:30  | 2166.5                                    | 87.1                                          | 2851.2                                 | 206.829                               | 1959.7                                             | 83.16                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:35  | 2181.6                                    | 96.9                                          | 2822.4                                 | 202.980                               | 1978.6                                             | 82.32                                         |                                 |
| 6                        |       |                                           |                                               | 2841.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:40  | 2282.9                                    | 108.3                                         | 3283.2                                 | 268.510                               | 2014.4                                             | 95.76                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:45  | 2320.5                                    | 119.7                                         | 3283.2                                 | 268.510                               | 2052.0                                             | 95.76                                         |                                 |
|                          | 9:50  | 2324.3                                    | 131.3                                         | 3340.8                                 | 277.289                               | 2047.0                                             | 97.44                                         |                                 |
| 7                        |       |                                           |                                               | 3302.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 9:55  | 2463.1                                    | 144.7                                         | 3859.2                                 | 362.101                               | 2101.0                                             | 112.56                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:00 | 2461.8                                    | 158.0                                         | 3830.4                                 | 357.118                               | 2104.7                                             | 111.72                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:05 | 2489.4                                    | 171.3                                         | 3830.4                                 | 357.118                               | 2132.3                                             | 111.72                                        |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 3840.0                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |

| STEP NO.<br>&<br>REMARKS | TIME  | (1)<br>SURFACE<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psig) | (2)<br>CUMMULATIVE<br>VOL. INJECTED<br>(bbls) | (3)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE<br>(bbls/day) | (4)<br>FRICTION<br>HEAD LOSS<br>(psi) | (5)<br>CORRECTED<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psi) (3) - (4) | (6)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE (gpm)<br>(3)/34.2857 | (7)<br>MEASURED<br>BHP<br>(psi) |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 8                        | 10:10 | 2570.9                                    | 186.4                                         | 4348.8                                 | 451.641                               | 2119.3                                               | 126.84                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:15 | 2565.9                                    | 201.0                                         | 4204.8                                 | 424.364                               | 2141.5                                               | 122.64                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:20 | 2627.4                                    | 215.8                                         | 4262.4                                 | 435.181                               | 2192.2                                               | 124.32                                        |                                 |
| 9                        | 10:25 | 2740.3                                    | 232.4                                         | 4272.0                                 |                                       |                                                      |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:30 | 2726.6                                    | 249.1                                         | 4780.8                                 | 538.128                               | 2202.2                                               | 139.44                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:35 | 2747.9                                    | 265.8                                         | 4809.6                                 | 544.141                               | 2182.5                                               | 140.28                                        |                                 |
| FALLOFF                  | 10:36 | 2080.9                                    |                                               | 4809.6                                 | 544.141                               | 2203.8                                               | 140.28                                        |                                 |
|                          | 10:37 | 2078.4                                    |                                               | 4800.0                                 |                                       |                                                      |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:38 | 2065.9                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 2080.9                                               |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:39 | 2055.9                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 2078.4                                               |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:40 | 2047.2                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 2065.9                                               |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:45 | 2022.4                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 2055.9                                               |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 10:50 | 2004.7                                    |                                               |                                        |                                       | 2047.2                                               |                                               |                                 |

MCA Unit 311

| PT | BHP  | BWPD |
|----|------|------|
| 1  | 499  | 720  |
| 2  | 1175 | 1411 |
| 3  | 1856 | 2102 |
| 4  | 2587 | 2650 |
| 5  | 2892 | 3283 |
| 6  | 3176 | 4032 |





**WEST - TEST, INC.**  
A SUBSIDIARY OF JOHN WEST ENGINEERING COMPANY  
Hobbs, New Mexico

**STEP RATE INJECTION TEST**

CLIENT: CONOCO, INC.

DATE: OCTOBER 20, 1995

WELL NAME: M.C.A. UNIT NO. 311  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

WO#: 95-14-1593

PERFS = 4162-4216

PACKER DEPTH = 3900

BHP GAUGE DEPTH = SURFACE ONLY

| STEP NO.<br>&<br>REMARKS | TIME  | (1)<br>SURFACE<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psig) | (2)<br>CUMMULATIVE<br>VOL. INJECTED<br>(bbls) | (3)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE<br>(bbls/day) | (4)<br>FRICTION<br>HEAD LOSS<br>(psi) | (5)<br>CORRECTED<br>TUBING PRESS.<br>(psi) (1)-(4) | (6)<br>INJECTION<br>RATE (gpm)<br>(3)/24.2857 | (7)<br>MEASURED<br>BHP<br>(psi) |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1                        | 12:45 | 36.5                                      |                                               |                                        |                                       | 36.5                                               |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 12:50 | 332.6                                     | 2.7                                           | 777.6                                  | 22.691                                | 309.9                                              | 22.68                                         |                                 |
|                          | 12:55 | 427.2                                     | 5.3                                           | 748.8                                  | 21.161                                | 406.0                                              | 21.84                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:00  | 518.2                                     | 7.8                                           | 720.0                                  | 19.680                                | 498.5                                              | 21.00                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 748.8                                  |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
| 2                        | 1:05  | 941.9                                     | 12.6                                          | 1382.4                                 | 65.785                                | 876.1                                              | 40.32                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:10  | 1130.4                                    | 17.5                                          | 1411.2                                 | 68.343                                | 1062.1                                             | 41.16                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:15  | 1242.9                                    | 22.4                                          | 1411.2                                 | 68.343                                | 1174.6                                             | 41.16                                         |                                 |
| 3                        |       |                                           |                                               | 1401.6                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
|                          | 1:20  | 1677.7                                    | 29.7                                          | 2102.4                                 | 142.882                               | 1534.8                                             | 61.32                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:25  | 1863.9                                    | 36.9                                          | 2073.6                                 | 139.282                               | 1724.6                                             | 60.48                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:30  | 1998.8                                    | 44.2                                          | 2102.4                                 | 142.882                               | 1855.9                                             | 61.32                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 2092.8                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
| 4                        | 1:35  | 2490.0                                    | 53.3                                          | 2620.8                                 | 214.812                               | 2275.2                                             | 76.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:40  | 2640.4                                    | 62.4                                          | 2620.8                                 | 214.812                               | 2425.6                                             | 76.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:45  | 2805.9                                    | 71.6                                          | 2649.6                                 | 219.199                               | 2586.7                                             | 77.28                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 2630.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
| 5                        | 1:50  | 3119.6                                    | 83.4                                          | 3398.4                                 | 347.387                               | 2772.2                                             | 99.12                                         |                                 |
|                          | 1:55  | 3183.6                                    | 95.0                                          | 3340.8                                 | 336.572                               | 2847.0                                             | 97.44                                         |                                 |
|                          | 2:00  | 3217.5                                    | 106.4                                         | 3283.2                                 | 325.916                               | 2891.6                                             | 95.76                                         |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 3340.8                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |
| 6                        | 2:05  | 3594.5                                    | 120.2                                         | 3974.4                                 | 464.096                               | 3130.4                                             | 115.92                                        |                                 |
|                          | 2:10  | 3643.5                                    | 134.3                                         | 4060.8                                 | 482.933                               | 3160.6                                             | 118.44                                        |                                 |
|                          | 2:15  | 3652.3                                    | 148.3                                         | 4032.0                                 | 476.616                               | 3175.7                                             | 117.60                                        |                                 |
|                          |       |                                           |                                               | 4022.4                                 |                                       |                                                    |                                               |                                 |

Page 2

50 YEARS



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



1935 - 1985

POST OFFICE BOX 2088  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501  
(505) 827-5800

TONY ANAYA  
GOVERNOR

APPLICATION OF CONOCO INC. TO EXPAND ITS  
PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR  
GRAYBURG-SAN ANDRES POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER No. PMX-135

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Under the provisions of Order No. R-2403, Conoco Inc. has made application to the Division on February 18, 1985, for permission to expand its Maljamar Cooperative Agreement (MCA) Unit Pressure Maintenance Project in the Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

NOW, on this 16th day of May, 1985, the Division Director finds:

1. That application has been filed in due form.
2. That satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.
3. That no objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701B.
4. That the proposed injection well is eligible for conversion to water injection under the terms of Rule 701.
5. That the proposed expansion of the above referenced Pressure Maintenance project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
6. That the application should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the applicant, Conoco Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Grayburg-San Andres formations through plastic-lined tubing set in a packer at a maximum of 100 feet above the uppermost injection interval in the wells described in Appendix "A" for purposes of pressure maintenance.

EXHIBIT F

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That the operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

That the casing-tubing annulus (in each well) shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing, or packer.

That the injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection well to no more than 0.2 psi per foot of depth to the uppermost injection interval in each well. (Note Appendix "A")

That the Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said well that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg-San Andres formations. That such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

That the operator shall notify the supervisor of the Division's Hobbs District Office before injection is commenced through said wells.

That the operator shall immediately notify the Supervisor of the Division's Hobbs District Office of the failure of the tubing, casing, or packer in said wells or the leakage of water from or around said wells and shall take such steps as may be timely or necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

That the subject wells shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-2403 and Rules 702, 703, 704, 705, and 706 not inconsistent herewith.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
  
R. L. STAMETS,  
Director

S E A L

MALJAMAR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (MCA)  
UNIT PRESSURE MAINTENANCE EXPANSION

| <u>WELL NUMBER</u> | <u>LOCATION</u>                     | <u>APPROXIMATE<br/>PACKER DEPTH</u> | <u>MAXIMUM SURFACE<br/>INJECTION PRESSURE</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 43                 | 1980' FNL & 1980' FEL<br>Section 21 | 3640 ft.                            | 748 PSIG                                      |
| 122                | 660' FNL & 660' FEL<br>Section 27   | 3816 ft.                            | 783 PSIG                                      |
| 156                | 2580' FNL & 2595' FWL<br>Section 29 | 3708 ft.                            | 762 PSIG                                      |
| 182                | 2615' FSL & 2570' FEL<br>Section 27 | 3762 ft.                            | 772 PSIG                                      |
| 202                | 660' FSL & 660' FWL<br>Section 26   | 3920 ft.                            | 804 PSIG                                      |
| 282                | 1295' FNL & 2615' FWL<br>Section 27 | 3706 ft.                            | 761 PSIG                                      |
| 299                | 175' FNL & 1295' FWL<br>Section 27  | 3765 ft.                            | 773 PSIG                                      |
| 311                | 1295' FNL & 2615' FWL<br>Section 26 | 3879 ft.                            | 795 PSIG                                      |
| 318                | 25' FNL & 1295' FEL<br>Section 28   | 3709 ft.                            | 762 PSIG                                      |
| 327                | 1225' FSL & 2615' FEL<br>Section 22 | 3704 ft.                            | 761 PSIG                                      |
| 346                | 55' FSL & 1200' FWL<br>Section 27   | 3942 ft.                            | 808 PSIG                                      |
| 349                | 75' FSL & 1295' FWL<br>Section 23   | 3850 ft.                            | 792 PSIG                                      |
| 350                | 2615' FSL & 1295' FWL<br>Section 26 | 3900 ft.                            | 805 PSIG                                      |

APPENDIX "A"

Administrative Order PMX 135

State of New Mexico  
**ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505



*ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. PMX-180*

***APPLICATION OF CONOCO, INC. TO EXPAND ITS PRESSURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT IN THE MALJAMAR GRAYBURG SAN ANDRES POOL IN LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO***

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
OF THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

Under the provisions of Division Order No. R-6157, Conoco, Inc. has made application to the Division on May 8, 1995 for permission to expand its MCA Unit Pressure Maintenance Project in the Maljamar Grayburg San Andres Pool in Lea County, New Mexico.

**THE DIVISION DIRECTOR FINDS THAT:**

- (1) The application has been filed in due form.
- (2) Satisfactory information has been provided that all offset operators have been duly notified of the application.
- (3) No objection has been received within the waiting period as prescribed by Rule 701(B).
- (4) The proposed injection well is eligible for conversion to injection under the terms of Rule 701.
- (5) The proposed expansion of the above referenced pressure maintenance project will not cause waste nor impair correlative rights.
- (6) The application should be approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

The applicant, Conoco, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to inject water into the Grayburg and San Andres formations at approximately 3798 feet to approximately 4088 feet through 2 3/8-inch plastic lined tubing set in a packer at approximately 3725 feet in the following described well for purposes of pressure maintenance to wit:

**VILLAGRA BUILDING - 408 Galisteo**

Forestry and Resources Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 1948 87504-1948  
827-5830

Park and Recreation Division  
P.O. Box 1147 87504-1147  
827-7465

**2040 South Pacheco**

Office of the Secretary  
827-5950

Administrative Services  
827-5925

Energy Conse

Mining  
827-5970

Oil Conservation  
827-7131

**EXHIBIT G**

MCA Unit Well No.280  
2565' FNL & 1345' FEL  
UL "G", Section 28, T-17-S, R-32-E  
Lea County, New Mexico

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:**

The operator shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the injected water enters only the proposed injection interval and is not permitted to escape to other formations or onto the surface.

Prior to commencing injection operations into the well, the casing shall be pressure tested from the surface to the packer setting depth to assure the integrity of said casing.

The casing-tubing annulus shall be loaded with an inert fluid and equipped with a pressure gauge at the surface or left open to the atmosphere to facilitate detection of leakage in the casing, tubing or packer.

The injection well or system shall be equipped with a pressure limiting device which will limit the wellhead pressure on the injection well to no more than 760 psi.

The Director of the Division may authorize an increase in injection pressure upon a proper showing by the operator of said well that such higher pressure will not result in migration of the injected fluid from the Grayburg or San Andres formations. Such proper showing shall consist of a valid step-rate test run in accordance with and acceptable to this office.

The operator shall notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the date and time of the installation of injection equipment and of the mechanical integrity tests so that the same may be inspected and witnessed.

The operator shall immediately notify the supervisor of the Hobbs district office of the Division of the failure of the tubing, casing or packer in said well and shall take such steps as may be timely and necessary to correct such failure or leakage.

The subject well shall be governed by all provisions of Division Order No. R-6157, as amended and Rules 702-706 of the Division Rules and Regulations not inconsistent herewith.

**PROVIDED FURTHER THAT,** jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Division for the entry of such further order or orders as may be deemed necessary or convenient for the

*Administrative Order PMX-180*

*Conoco, Inc.*

*May 24, 1995*

*Page 3*

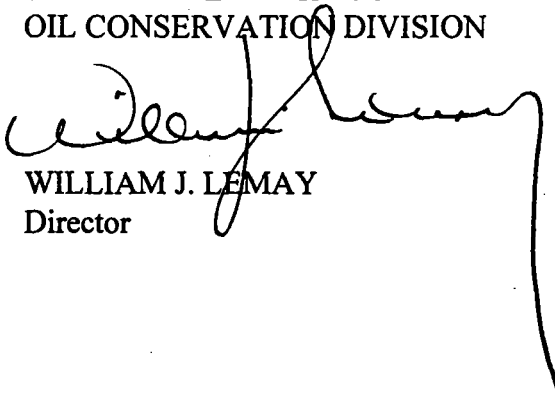
---

prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the operator to conduct operations in a manner which will ensure the protection of fresh water or in a manner inconsistent with the requirements set forth in this order, the Division may, after notice and hearing, terminate the injection authority granted herein.

The injection authority granted herein shall terminate one year after the effective date of this order if the operator has not commenced injection operations into the subject well, provided however, the Division, upon written request by the operator, may grant an extension thereof for good cause shown.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 24th day of May, 1995.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



WILLIAM J. LEMAY  
Director

SEAL

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs  
Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad