PETROLEUM PRODUCERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS

December 13, 1961

Oil Conservation Commission State of New Mexico Post Office Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Application for Exception to Rule 309 (a) and for Administrative Approval of Lease Commingling in a Central Tank Battery under Rule 309 (b) of Production from the same Common Source of Supply on two Federal Leases with Identical Ownership, Pearl-Queen Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr. Secretary-Director

Gentlemen:

James G. Brown and Associates is the owner and operator of two contiguous leases in the S/2 of Section 4, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, described as follows:

"Federal Lease" SE/4 & E/2 of SW/4 of Section 4 (LC-060881)
"Federal A Lease" W/2 of SW/4 of Section 4 (LC-060831 A)

There are six completed wells on the Federal Lease, one completed and one in process of completion on the Federal A Lease - all completions are from Queen Sands in the Pearl-Queen Pool. Our application to the United States Geological Survey for off-lease storage of the production from LC-060881 A dated November 1, 1961 was approved by the United States Geological Survey November 15, 1961; temporary approval by the Hobbs office of the New Mexico Cil Conservation Commission was given November 17, 1961, pending approval of this application. A plat is attached showing the two leases, location of wells, flow lines and tank battery.

We now request administrative approval of a central tank battery to permit commingling of the production from these two Federal Leases under Rule 309 (b). The United States Geological Survey has approved this proposal as of December 8, 1961, and copies of our application, plat, diagram of tank battery and the letter of approval from the Roswell office of the United States Geological Survey are attached. The United States Geological Survey approval requires metering of the oil production from the two wells on LC-060881 A before commingling in the tank battery.

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further requirements of Rule 309 (b) are, or will be fulfilled as follows:

- 1. All production is from the same common source of supply, i.e. Queen same of the Pearl-Queen Pool.
- 2. Adequate facilities will be provided for accurately determining the production from each well. As shown by the schematic diagram, the production of the six wells on the Federal Lease is handled by a 6' x 20' emulsion treater and wells can be individually tested direct to the north tank, by-passing the treater. Production of the two wells on the Federal "A" Lease will be continuously metered through a 4' x 22' emulsion treater equipped with a Brodie Bi-Notor 75-40 D meter on the oil outlet line.
- 3. Shell Oil Company is the purchaser of the oil from these leases and a copy of a letter from Shell agreeing to purchase commingled production is attached. Also attached are "Waiver of Objection" letters signed by the offset operators: Southern Union Producing Company, C. W. Trainer and John H. Trigg.
- 4. Not applicable.
- (a) The ownership of both leases is common throughout, including working interest, royalty and overriding royalty, and therefore it appears that Rule 309 (b) would allow commingling of this production without metering; however the United States Geological Survey requires that the production from one lease be metered.

We trust this is sufficient information for you to give favorable consideration to a central tank battery for these two leases.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. BROWN & AUJOCIATES

J. A. Warren

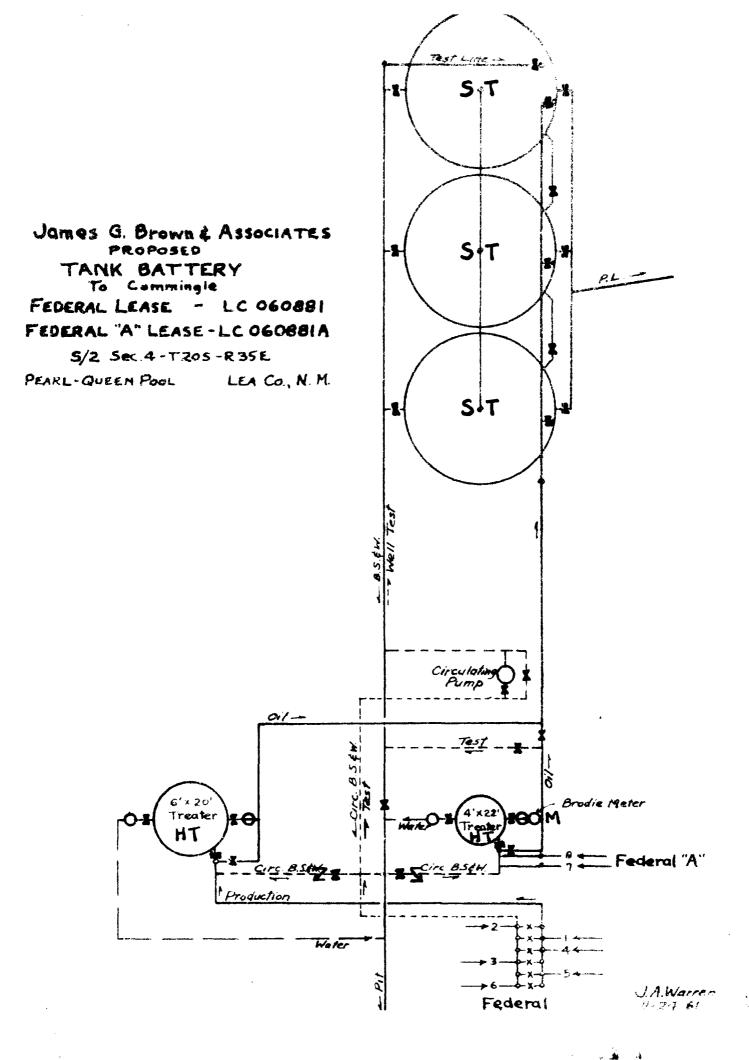
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Midland, Texas

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Gentlamen:

Your letter of November 22, 1961, requested our approval for commingling the production from Federal oil and gas leases Las Cruces 960881 and 060881-A at your tank battery in the Nilpost of sec. 4, T. 20 S., R. 35 E. The production on each lease is from the Pearl Queen Pool and both leases have the same Federal royalty rate, lessee and operator.

The method to measure individual lease production as croposed by the diagrams attached to your letter is acceptable to this office. Approval to commingle production from leases Las Cruces 060831 and 060881-A is hereby given.

Very truly yours,

(Orig. Sgd.) JOHN A ANDERCON

John A. Anderson Regional Oil and Cas Supervisor

cc: Hobbs

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### JAMES G. BROWN & ASSOCIATES

PETROLEUM PRODUCERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 22, 1961

U. S. Geological Survey P. O. Box 1838 Hobbs, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Eugene W. Standley

District Engineer

RE: Application for Central Tank Battery

to Commingle Oil Produced from LC-060881 and LC-060881 A, Pearl Queen Pool, Lea County,

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New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

Our proposal for off-lease storage of oil produced from LC-060881 A, dated November 1, 1961, and approved by your letter of November 15, 1961, has been accomplished by the completion of Federal "A" Well No. 7 on November 17, 1961. A second treater and a third 500 barrel tank have been set in the NW/4 of the SE/4 of Section 4-T20S-R35E to separately handle the production from the recently-completed Well No. 7. The NMOCC has approved this arrangement temporarily, pending the outcome of our further application to the Commission.

As mentioned in our letter of November 1, we now request permission to consolidate the three tanks in the NW/4 SE/4 of Section 4 into one tank battery and thereby commingle the production from LC-060881 and LC-060881 A. Production from the six wells on LC-060881 will be handled by a newly-installed 6' x 20' emulsion treater with adequate facilities to test wells individually; the production from Well No. 7 and the presently drilling Well No. 8 on LC-060881 A will be handled by a 4' x 22' emulsion treater, equipped with a Brodie Bi-Rotor B-40 D Meter on the oil dump line and with adequate facilities to produce to a separate tank for calibration of the meter.



## SHELL OIL COMPANY

PETROLEUM BUILDING
P. O. BOX 1509
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 21, 1961

Subject: James G. Brown & Associates Federal "A" Lease Well #7 W/2 SW/4 Sec. 4-20S-35E Pearl Queen Pool Lea County, New Mexico

James G. Brown & Associates P. O. Box 1625 Midland, Texas

Attention Mr. James A. Warren

Gentlemen:

Confirming telephone conversation this date, Shell is agreeable to purchasing the allowable production from subject Federal "A" Lease stored in tankage separate, but adjacent, to your Federal Lease storage.

It is our understanding this arrangement will continue until such time as you have obtained from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission exception to Rule 309-B permitting the commingling of production from your Federal and Federal "A" Leases.

Shell will remit to Gulf on 100% division order, including taxes, on the basis of Column 1 in our Crude Oil Price Bulletin 26 dated January 1, 1961 and subsequent revisions thereto.

Yours very truly,

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C. A. Nyhof

Crude Oil Department - Midland

cc - Gulf Oil Corporation (2)
P. O. Box 2097
Denver, Colorado
Attention Mr. D. L. Williams

PETROLEUM PRODUCERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 22, 1961

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Southern Union KAK Company
Production Department
Fidelity Union Tower
Dallas, Texas

RE: Waiver of Objection to Commingling

of Production from Federal Lease LC-060881 and Federal "A" Lease

LC-060881 A

S/2 Sec. 4-T20S-R35E

Pearl Queen Pool

Lea County, New Mexico

#### Gentlemen:

James G. Brown & Associates is the operator of both the above-referenced leases which are producing from the Queen sands in the Pearl-Queen Pool. We are making application to the U.S.G.S. and the NMOCC for establishment of a central tank battery to commingle the production from the two leases after metering the production from the Federal "A" Lease.

A plat is attached showing the location of wells and tank battery. Federal "A" Well No. 7 is presently producing into a separate tank on the Federal Lease with permission for off-lease storage granted by the U.S.G.S. and the NMOCC.

If you have no objection to the commingling of production from these two leases, please sign and return the original of this letter to this office.

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WAIVER OF OBJECTION:

Southern Union Company

Production

Vice-President

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J. A. Warren

Production Superintendent

PETROLEUM PRODUCERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 22, 1961

Mr. C. W. Trainer Box 2222 Hobbs, New Mexico

RE: Waiver of Objection to Commingling of Production from Federal Lease

LC-060881 and Federal "A" Lease

LC-060881 A

S/2 Sec.4-T20S-R35E, Pearl Queen Pool

Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Trainer:

James G. Brown & Associates is the operator of both the above-referenced leases which are producing from the Queen sands in the Pearl-Queen Pool. We are making application to the U.S.G.S. and the N.M.O.C.C. for establishment of a central tank battery to commingle the production from the two leases after metering the production from the Federal "A" Lease.

A plat is attached showing the location of wells and tank battery. Federal "A" Well No. 7 is presently producing into a separate tank on the Federal Lease with permission for off-lease storage granted by the U.S.G.S. and the N.M.O.C.C.

If you have no objection to the commingling of production from these two leases, please sign and return the original of this letter to this office.

Yours very truly,

J. A. Warren

Production Superintendent

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WAIVER OF OBJECTION:

C. W. Trainer

PETROLEUM PRODUCERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MIDLAND, TEXAS

November 22, 1961

Mr. John H. Trigg Maljamar, New Mexico

RE: Waiver of Objection to Commingling

of Production from Federal Lease LC-060881 and Federal "A" Lease

LC-060881 A

S/2 Sec.4-T20S-R35E, Pearl Queen Pool

Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Trigg:

James G. Brown & Associates is the operator of both the above-referenced leases which are producing from the Queen sands in the Pearl-Queen Pool. We are making application to the U.S.G.S. and the N.M.O.C.C. for establishment of a central tank battery to commingle the production from the two leases after metering the production from the Federal "A" Lease.

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Yours very truly,

J. A. Warren

Production Superintendent

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WAIVER OF OBJECTION:

John H. Trigg