

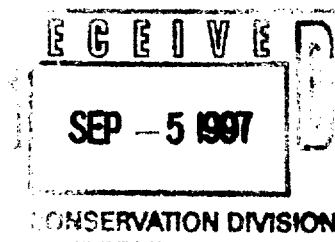


Cross Timbers Operating Company

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August 27, 1997

NMOCD Hobbs District
Attn: Mr. Chris Williams
P. O. Box 1980
Hobbs, NM 88240



RE: Request for Exception to Rule 303A
Application to Surface Commingle

Dear Mr. Williams:

Cross Timbers Operating Company requests administrative approval to surface commingle liquid hydrocarbon production for the Nadine Paddock Blinebry, West Pool and the Monument Tubb Pool on our Fred Turner Lease. 47400 47090

Three wells are being produced into the battery. The Paddock-Blinebry oil's API gravity for the lease averages about 36.5°. The Fred Turner #2 and #3 produce from the Paddock-Blinebry formation at a rate of approximately 4 BOPD. After the recompletion work, the Fred Turner #1 will produce from the Tubb formation with an expected initial rate of 10 BOPD. Offset lease API gravity for the Tubb oil averages about 37.0°. The API gravity of the commingled oil is expected to be approximately 37.0°. Based on similar API oil gravity, the commercial value of the oil should not be effected whether it is sold separately or commingled. In addition, the cost to install new separate production facilities cannot be justified.

Attached you will find a schematic diagram of our Fred Turner Lease tank battery and a plat showing the well locations.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Ray F. Martin
Operations Engineer

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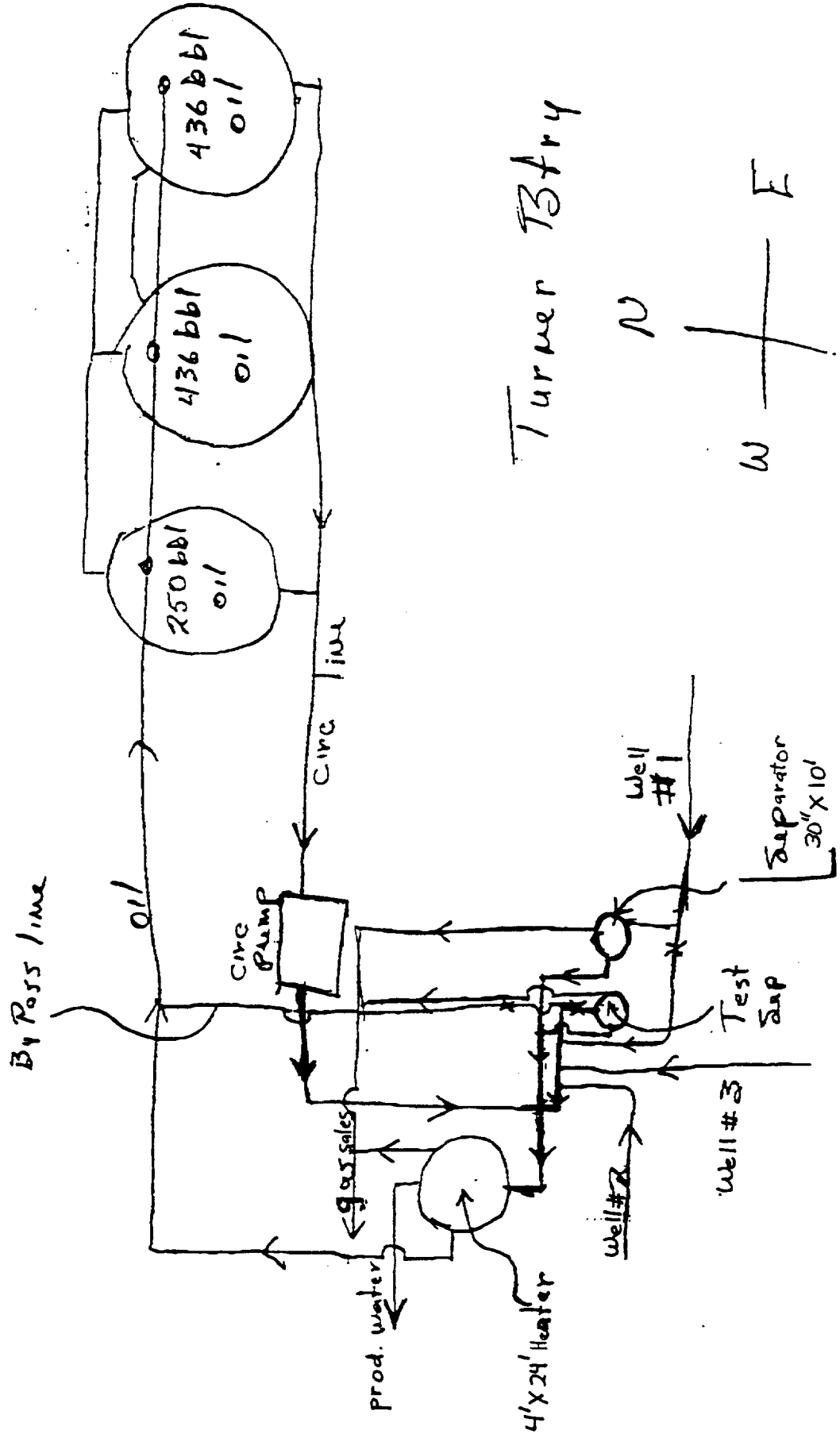
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