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March 31, 1998

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Ben Stone 2080 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Surface Commingling, Off Lease Measurement and Storage, and Alternative Measurement of hydrocarbon production for North Indian Basin Unit Wells #1, #4, #5, #8, #9 and #31

Dear Mr. Stone:

Marathon Oil Company, as operator of the aforementioned lease, respectfully requests administrative approval for the surface commingling, off lease measurement and storage, and alternative measurement of hydrocarbon production from the North Indian Basin Unit Wells listed above. It is requested that surface commingling of North Indian Basin Unit Wells #1, 4, 5, 8, & 9, which produce from the Indian Basin Upper Penn Gas Pool, and North Indian Basin Unit Well #31, which will be drilled in the South Dagger Draw Upper Penn Associated Pool, be approved. This will involve Federal Lease Nos. NM05608, NM 1832, NM 51107, and NM 05551, Unit Designation Number 891008508-O, and State Lease No. E-10170. The wells have common ownership including working interest owners, royalty interest owners, and overriding royalty interest owners. Marathon has made notification to all parties owning an interest in these leases, including the liquid hydrocarbon purchaser, of the intent to commingle this production. Attached, as part of this application, is a copy of the letter submitted, by certified mail, to each interest owner and the purchaser, and a copy of the sundry notice that was sent to the Bureau of Land Management along with all its attachments.

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The attached drawings illustrate the proposed separation equipment and the proposed flow of production from the wellhead to the satellite facility. There is also a map of the area attached.

If you require any additional information concerning this application, please call Ginny Larke at (915) 687-8449. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A. B. Schoffmann

Indian Basin Asset Team Manager

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As required by 43 CFR 3162.7-2 and Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 4. Marathon Oil Company is requesting approval of off-lease measurement, storage & sales, alternate measurement method, and commingling of liquid hydrocarbons.

As required by CFR 3162.7-3 and Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 5, we are requesting approval of off-lease measurement, commingling, and sales of gas.

Production from the Indian Basin Upper Penn Gas Pool and the South Dagger Draw Upper Penn Associated Pool will be gathered into a common separator at the satellite facility. Both liquid hydrocarbons and gas will be transported, by separate pipelines, to the Marathon Oil Company Indian Basin Gas Plant. (SW/NE. UL "G". Section 23. T-21-S. R-23-E. Eddy County, NM), for further processing and sales.

Turbine meters will be used for the Alternate Method of metering for liquid hydrocarbons per prior approvals.

A FORM IS ATTACHED SHOWING THE LEASES AND WELLS ADDRESSED BY THIS REQUEST AS WELL AS A MORE DETAILED

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APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING OFF LEASE MEASUREMENT. STORAGE AND ALTERNATIVE MEASUREMENT APPROVAL

To: Bureau of Land Management

P.O. Box 1778

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220-1778

Marathon Oil Company is requesting approval for Surface Commingling, Off Lease Storage & Measurement and Alternative Measurement Method of hydrocarbon production from the following formations and wells on the Federal and State Leases listed below:

NORTH INDIAN BASIN UNIT; 891008508-O Indian Basin Upper Penn Gas Pool and South Dagger Draw Upper Penn Associated Pool

Well					Lease	API NO.	Com
No.	<u>UL</u>	Section	<u>TWP</u>	Range	<u>Number</u>	30-015	No.
1	M	10	21-S	23-E	NM05608	10065	NA
4	J	16	21-S	23-E	NM 1832	10558	NA
5	K	9	21-S	23-E	NM51107	10559	NA
8	\mathbf{N}	9	21-S	23-E	NM05551	26324	NA
9	K	16	21-S	23-E	E-10170	27917	NA
31	P	10	21-S	23-E	NM05608	30111	NA

Production from the referenced wells is as follows:

WELL NAME & NO.	BCPD	API GRAVITY	MCFD
North Indian Basin Unit #1	12	60.3	3,578
North Indian Basin Unit #4	1	60	1,268
North Indian Basin Unit #5	1	60.3	3,897
North Indian Basin Unit #8	12	60	3,432
North Indian Basin Unit #9	6	42	2,100
North Indian Basin Unit #31	Not Drill	led	

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The proposed commingling of production is in the interest of conservation and will not result in reduced royalty or improper measurement of production. The proposed commingling is necessary for continued operation of the above referenced Federal Leases.

We understand that the requested approval will not constitute the granting of any right-of-way or construction rights not granted by lease instrument and, we will submit within 30 days an application for right-of-way to the BLM's Realty Section in your office if we have not already done so.

Additional wells require additional commingling approvals.

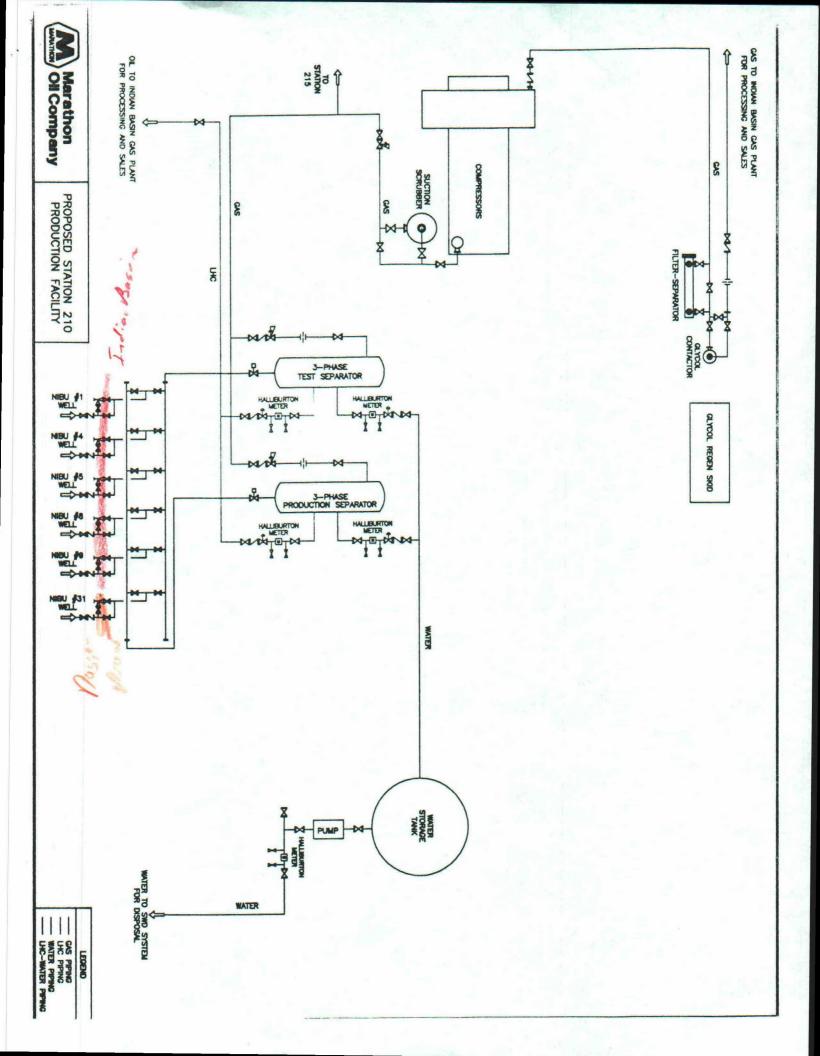
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Name: A. B. Schoffmann

Title: Indian Basin Asset Team Manager

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Date: March 31, 1998



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State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands P. O. Box 1148 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-1148

Re: Off Lease Storage, Measurement, and Sales, Surface Commingling, and Alternative Measurement Method of Hydrocarbon Production for North Indian Basin Unit Wells 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 31, Sections 9, 10, and 16, T-21-S, R-23-E

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If you require any additional information concerning this application, please call Ginny Larke at (915) 687-8449. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Indian Basin Asset Team Manager

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March 31, 1998

Navajo Refining and Marketing Attn: Gwenetta Morgan P. O. Box 159 Artesia, New Mexico 88211

(Certified Return Receipt Requested)

Re: Off Lease Storage, Measurement, and Sales and Commingling Marathon Lease: North Indian Basin Unit Wells 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 31 Including Sections 9, 10, and 16, Township 21 South, Range 23 East Federal Lease Nos.: NM 05608, NM 1832, NM 51107, and NM 05551 and

State Lease No.: E-10170, Unit Designation Number 891008508-O

Gentlemen:

Sincerely,

Marathon Oil Company is proposing commingling and off lease metering, storage and sales of production from the North Indian Basin Unit wells shown above. Production will be gathered and measured at a satellite facility, then the gas and liquid hydrocarbons will be transported to the Indian Basin Gas Plant. The liquid hydrocarbons will be sold through the LACT unit located at the plant. Our records indicate that you are the purchaser of liquid hydrocarbons from this LACT unit. Pursuant to Rule 309-B & C, as set forth by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Marathon Oil Company respectfully requests your company's approval to commingle the production from these wells.

Please indicate your approval by signing in the space below and returning one copy of this letter to this office in the enclosed envelope. The second copy is for your files. Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.



March 31, 1998

Working and Royalty Interest Owners (Mailing list attached)

(Certified Return Receipt Requested)

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Gentlemen:

Marathon Oil Company is proposing commingling and off lease metering, storage and sales of production from the North Indian Basin Unit wells shown above. All production will be allocated using regular well tests. Our records indicate that you are an interest owner in one of the subject wells and, as such, pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations, are required to provide your consent to the proposed commingling of production from these wells. Marathon believes that the commingling of production will result in economies of scale that will lower operating costs and benefit all interest owners.

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Sincerely,

A. B. Schoffman

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Indian Basin Asset Team Manager

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OPERATOR'S COFT FORM APPROVED Form 3160-5 UNITED STATES Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135 (June 1990) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Expires: March 31, 1993 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT 5. Lease Designation and Serial No. NM05607 SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to deepen or reentry to a different reservoir. Use "APPLICATION FOR PERMIT - " for such proposals If Unit of CA, Agreement Designation SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE NORTH INDIAN BASIN UNIT 1. Type of Well 8. Well Name and No. X Gas NORTH INDIAN BASIN UNIT Name of Operator #34 Marathon Oil Company 9. API Well No. 3. Address and Telephone No. 30-015-29296 P.O. Box 552 Midland, TX 79702 915-682-1626 10. Field and Pool, or exploratory Area 4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) INDIAN BASIN UPPER PENN GAS UL "P", 660' FSL, 660' FEL 11. County of Parish, State SECTION 4. T-21-S. R-23-E **EDDY** NM CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA TYPE OF SUBMISSION TYPE OF ACTION Notice of Intent Abandonment Change of Plans Recompletion New Construction Subsequent Report Plugging Back Non-Routine Fracturing Casing Repair Water Shut-Off Final Abandonment Notice Altering Casing Conversion to Injection SURFACE COMMINGLE Dispose Water Other : Report results of multiple completion on Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log form: 13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations. (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work. If well is directionally drilled. give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markers and zones pertinent to this work.)* As required by CFR 3162.7-3 and Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 5, we are requesting approval of off-lease sales and commingling of gas. Gas production from this well is measured at the wellhead, transported via pipeline to the suction line

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Please see the attached form, map & battery diagram.

Marathon Oil Company

SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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INDIAN BASIN ASSET TEAM MID-CONTINENT REGION

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct Signed Linny area	Title Engineer Technician	Date 4-3-98
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To: Bureau of Land Management

P.O. Box 1778

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220-1778

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NORTH INDIAN BASIN UNIT WELL NO. 34: 891008580

FEDERAL LEASE NO. NM 05607

FORMATION: Indian Basin Morrow Pool

LOCATION: UL "P", SECTION 4, T-21-S, R-23-E, EDDY COUNTY, NM

<u>Well No.</u>	<u>API No.</u>	<u>BOPD</u>	<u>MCFD</u>	<u>API °</u>
34	30-015-29296	0	335	N/A

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The Storage and Measurement facility is located at <u>Unit Letter "G", Section 23, T-21-S, R-23-E, Eddy County, New Mexico</u>. The satellite facility is located at UL "M", Sec. 10, T-21-S, R-23-E. The BLM will be notified of any change in facility location. Gas is measured at the wellhead, using allocation meters. It is transported, via pipeline, to the satellite facility where it is tied into the suction line of the compressor. After compression, the gas is metered again before being transported to the Marathon Oil Company Indian Basin Gas Plant (SW/NE, Section 23, T21S, R23E) by pipeline. After processing the gas and NGLs are metered at the tail-gate of the plant and sold. There is no measurable liquid hydrocarbon or water production. All production will be allocated to the well based on the meter reading and the previously approved methods of lease allocation.

The working interest owners were notified of the original commingling proposal.

The proposed commingling of production is in the interest of conservation and will not result in reduced royalty or improper measurement of production. The proposed commingling is necessary for continued operation of the above referenced Federal Lease.

We understand that the requested approval will not constitute the granting of any right-of-way or construction rights not granted by lease instrument and, we will submit within 30 days an application for right-of-way to the BLM's Realty Section in your office if we have not already done so.

Additional wells require additional commingling approvals.

Signature

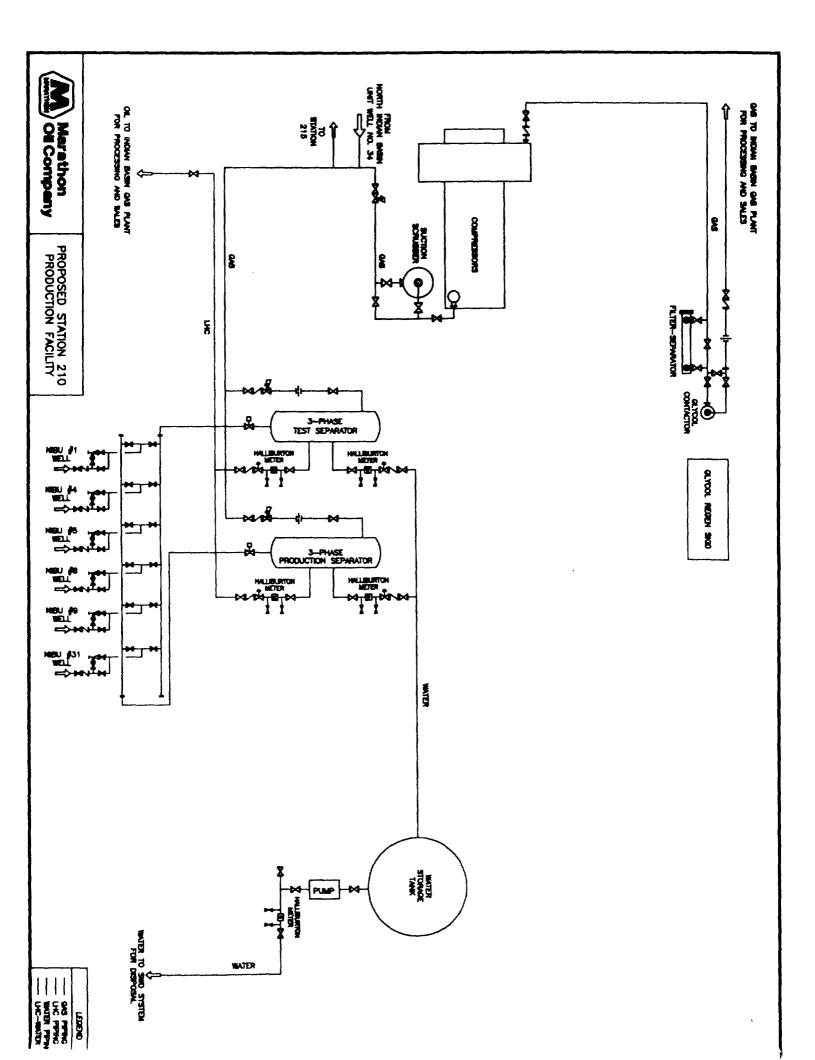
Name: A. B. Schoffmann

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Title: Indian Basin Asset Team Manager

Date: April 3, 1998

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Bureau of Land Management Roswell District 2909 West Second Street Roswell, New Mexico 88201 505-627-0272

Off-Lease Measurement, Storage, and Surface Commingling Conditions of Approval

Approval of surface commingling and off-lease storage and/or measurement is subject to the following conditions of approval:

- 1. This agency shall be notified of any change in sales method or location of the facility.
- 2. This agency shall be notified of any spill or discharge as required by NTL-3A.
- 3. This agency reserves the right to modify or rescind approval whenever it determines continued use of the approved method may adversely affect the surface or subsurface environments.
- 4. This approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.
- 5. Additional wells and/or leases require additional commingling approvals.
- 6. This approval does not constitute right-of-way approval for any off-lease activities. Within 30 days, an application for right-of-way approval must be submitted to the Realty Section if not already done.



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April 8, 1998

Marathon Oil Company P.O. Box 552 Midland, Texas 79702-0552

Attn:

Mr. A. B. Schoffmann

Re:

Surface Commingling Application and Off-Lease Storage and Measurement and Alternative Measurement

Method of Hydrocarbon Production

North Indian Basin Unit Well Nos. 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, and No. 31

Sections 9, 10 and 16-21S-23E

Indian Basin Upper Penn Gas Pool and South Dagger Draw Upper Penn Associated Pools

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Schoffmann:

We have received your letter of March 31, 1998, wherein you requested our approval for surface commingling, off-lease measurement and storage and alternative measurement of hydrocarbon production from the above-captioned wells.

Since it appears that there will be no loss of revenue to the State of New Mexico's beneficiaries as a result of your proposed operation, your request is hereby approved. Our approval is given with the understanding that the Commissioner of Public Lands reserves the right to amend or withdraw his approval, should this operation prove to be unprofitable to the state at any time in the future. Also, our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and the Bureau of Land Management.

Please submit a copy of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's and the Bureau of Management's approval.

Your \$30.00 filing fee has been received.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

JAMI BAILEY, Director

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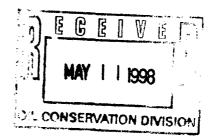
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OCD--Mr. David Catanach, Mr. Ben Stone

BLM



May 8, 1998



New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn.: Mr. Ben Stone 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Amendment to request for permit to surface commingle production from North Indian

Basin Unit wells No. 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 31

Dear Mr. Stone:

Please amend the request for permit to surface commingle the above mentioned wells as follows:

Include gas production from the North Indian Basin Unit Well No. 34. Attached you will find a copy of Form 3160-5 approved by the BLM on 4/28/98. I am also sending a copy of Form 3160-5 that was attached to the original permit request. The original permit request should be in your "pending file," and the cover letter was dated 3/31/98.

This request is being made pursuant to our telephone conversation of May 8, 1998. If you need more information, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 915-687-8449. Thank you for your help and your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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