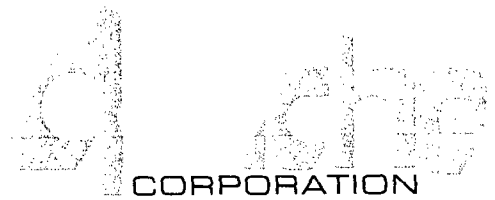


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April 5, 2005

WORKING INTEREST OWNERS
(See Attached Address List)

RE: East Blinebry-Drinkard Unit
Sections 1, 11, 12, 13, & 14 , T21S, R37E, Lea County, NM

On March 18, 2005, Apache Corporation (Apache) mailed out a Unit Agreement and Unit Operating Agreement covering Apache's proposal to unitize the Blinebry, Tubb and Drinkard formations in Sections 1, 11, 12, 13, and 14 (totaling 2,080.00 acres) in T21S, R37E to perform secondary recovery operations through waterflooding of the Blinebry/Tubb/Drinkard reservoirs. As an active operator in this area, Apache Corporation will be the Operator of this Unit since Apache operates approximately 69% of the wells included within the boundaries of the proposed unit. To date Apache has not had any response nor any communication from you with regard to the material mailed out earlier to you.

Please be advised, since Apache has received preliminary approval from the Bureau of Land Management (majority mineral and royalty owner) and has the required 75% working interest and royalty interest owner approval for Apache's proposed waterflood unit, Apache will be proceeding to get on the New Mexico Oil Conversation Division's (NMOCD) hearing docket for a May 19, 2005 hearing. If you are an unleased mineral owner who has elected not to grant a lease or a current working interest owner who has elected not to respond prior to the NMOCD hearing date, your interest will be considered forced pooled into the waterflood unit subject to cost plus a 200% penalty once the NMOCD order has been written and approved. Also, once the initial capital expenditure to implement this unit has been recovered by Apache, your interest will be considered paid out and for any future expenditures involving unit operations, your interest will be considered as a working interest owner and billed for costs accordingly.

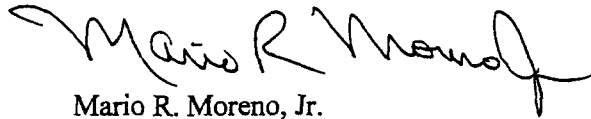
Should you have any questions pertaining to Apache's proposed project, please feel free to contact Michelle Hanson (918) 491-4838, Mario Moreno at (918) 491-4963 for any Land questions or Kevin Mayes (Reservoir Engineer) at (918) 491-4972 for any Technical questions, or our toll free number is (800) 558-8572, otherwise please execute one (1) original signature page to the Unit and Unit Operating Agreements, have each properly notarized, and return same to the undersigned in the enclosed self-addressed envelope which were previously provided for your convenience as soon as reasonably possible. In the alternative, if you are unleased mineral owner and wish to grant Apache an Oil and Gas lease, please advise and we will have Larry Phillips who is one of our Land Brokers to get in touch with you and discuss the leasing terms.

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Case No. Exhibit No. 8
Submitted By:
Apache Corporation
Hearing Date: June 16, 2005

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Thank you for your attention in this matter and we look forward to your support in facilitating the implementation of this project.

APACHE CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mario R. Moreno, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

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