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February 18, 1997

Burk Royalty Company 1000 Petroleum Building P.O. Box BRC Wichita Falls, Texas 76307-7507

Attn: Mr. Charles Gibson

RE: Injection Pressure Increase, Cruces Well No.3, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Gibson:

Reference is made to your request dated December 23, 1996 to increase the surface injection pressure on the above referenced well. This request is based on a step rate test conducted on December 11, 1996. The results of the test have been reviewed by my staff and we feel an increase in injection pressure on this well is justified at this time.

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

Well and Location	Maximum Surface Injection Pressure					
Cruces Well No.3	1200 PSIG					
Located in 'N' of Section 26, Township 29 South, Range 34 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 WJL/BES Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs cc: Files: Case No. 9708: PSI-X 2nd OTR97

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December 23, 1996

New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department P. O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241-1980

Gentlemen:

The Cruces #3 will not take water at or below the permitted pressure limit. In order to increase the permit pressure limit, we have conducted a step rate test that is attached. The test was conducted by West Test, Inc., a subsidiary of John West Engineering Company. It shows that the well does not break over and start fracturing until 1250#. If you would, please accept this test and increase the permit pressure to a surface pressure of 1250#. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

BURK ROYALTY CO. Charles Gibson

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WEST-TEST, INC.

A SUBSIDIARY OF JOHN WEST ENGINEERING COMPANY

Hobbs, New Mexico

STEP RATE INJECTION TEST

CLIENT: BURK ROYALTY COMPANY

DATE: DECEMBER 11, 1996

WELL NAME: CRUCES NO. 3 LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO WO#: 96-14-1607

PERFS = 3509-3629

PACKER DEPTH = 3406

BHP GAUGE DEPTH = SURFACE ONLY

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STEP NO.		SURFACE	CUMMULATIVE	INJECTION	FRICTION HEAD LOSS	CORRECTED	INJECTION PATE (gpm)	MEASURED
REMARKS	TIME	(psig)	(bbis)	(bbis/day)	(psi)	(psi) (1)-(4)	(3)/34.2857	(psi)
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5	10:20	1256.1	45.2	1670.4	79.544	1176.6	48.72	
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	10:45	1376.5	83.5	2448.0	161.322	1215.2	71.40	
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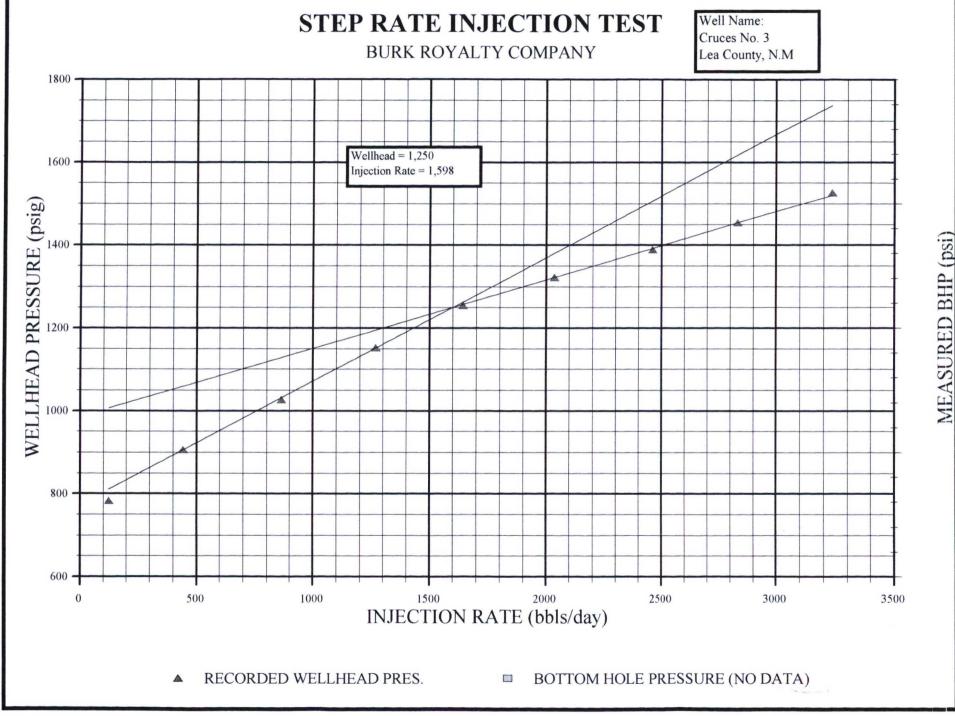
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December 11, 1996 (96-14-1607)

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