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Re: Raptor's Dense-Spacing Infill Program

Jalmat Gas Pool

T-22-S & T-23-S, R-36-E Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our letter of October 29, 1999, to Ms. Lori Wrotenbery and Mr. Michael Stonger of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, including our discussion corresponding to Raptor's proposed State "A" A/C-2 Nos. 54 and 77 completions located in the S/2 SE/4 Section 8, T-22-S, R-36-E.

After becoming aware of Raptor's C-103 for its proposed State "A" A/C-2 No. 54 recompletion, I have now had an opportunity to compare well logs with the C-101's that Raptor has filed for its State "A" A/C-2 Nos. 30 and 48 wells located in the NW/4 Section 9, T-22-S, R-36-E. It appears that Raptor has proposed the following completion intervals and pool designations for its Nos. 30, 48, and 54 wells.

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Well	Proposed Pool <u>Designation</u>	Proposed Completion <u>Interval</u>	Top of Queen	Base of Jalmat
State "A" A/C-2 No. 30	Jalmat	2955'-3679'	3680'	3580'
State "A" A/C-2 No. 48	Jalmat	2971'-3660'	3715'	3615'
State "A" A/C-2 No. 54	Eunice South	3331'-3700'	3740'	3640'

Based on the foregoing table, in addition to our strong objections to Raptor's proposed dense-spacing infill drilling and recompletion program in its Jalmat Pool acreage, we again respectfully suggest that Raptor refer to the NMOCD's *Stratigraphic Nomenclature Committee Cross-sections* for the Jalmat and Eumont Pools, and in particular to the log picks for Marathon's McDonald State No. 6 well situated in the SE/4 SW/4 Section 16, T-22-S, R-36-E, (N-16-22S-36E), which is located just south of Raptor's State "A" A/C-2 lease.

Our objections to Raptor's infill program notwithstanding, and considering that the above table corresponds to the first three Raptor logs that I have checked against Raptor's NMOCD filings, Raptor clearly needs to familiarize itself with Southeast New Mexico geology. While becoming familiar with Southeast New Mexico geology and with the subject reservoirs, Raptor may itself realize that its proposed dense-spacing infill program is not necessary in order to efficiently and economically drain its Jalmat acreage. However, at the present, Raptor has the cart before the horse, by rapidly launching into an unnecessary dense-spacing Jalmat infill program, without first becoming highly familiar with the geology, reservoirs, and past history of the Jalmat Pool.

After becoming familiar with Southeast New Mexico geology, we also strongly suggest that Raptor review and verify its log picks for the well completions that it has performed to date.

Very truly yours,

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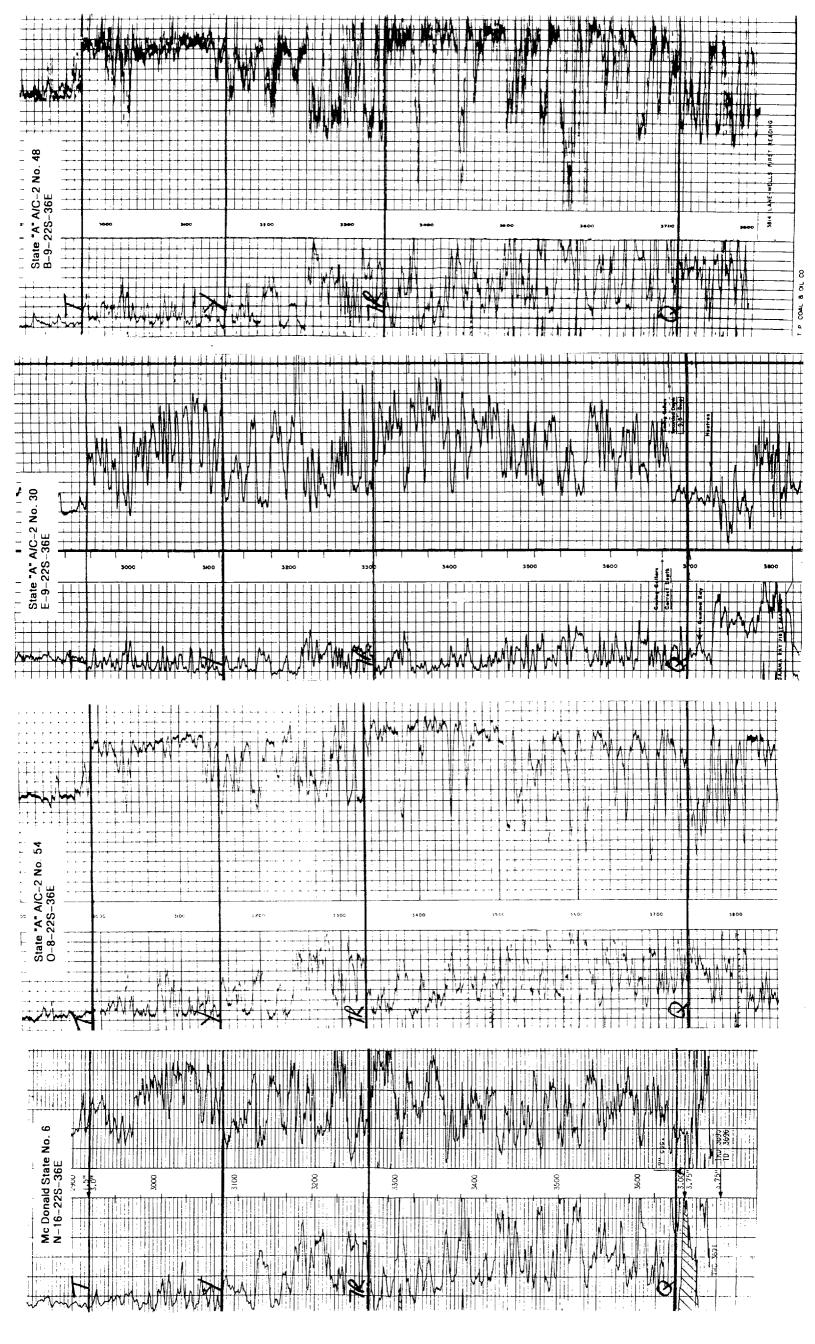
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