



INTER-OFFICE MEMO

DATE: November 14, 2000

TO: Mike Cavanaugh *WMC*

FROM: Mark McClelland *MGM*

RE: D&E: State A No. 6
Hobbs (Drinkard) Field
NW4 NE4, Sec. 32, T18S, R38E, Lea County, NM

Attached for your review and approval is the drilling and completion AFE for the State A No. 6. The risked ROR for this project is 18% with an AFIT PV(12) of \$84M and a PVR of 1.13. Risked net reserves are 116 MBOE resulting in a \$5.48/BOE finding cost. Apache owns a 100% WI, 87.5% NRI in the State A lease. Total well cost is \$638M.

The State A lease is productive from the Grayburg/San Andres, Blinebry (upper and lower) and Drinkard. Of the five wells drilled on the 80 acre lease, three have been unitized into the North Hobbs Grayburg/San Andres waterflood. Of the two remaining wells, the State A No. 4 is temporarily abandoned in the Paddock (6.8 MBO, high water cut) and upper Blinebry (309 MBO). The State A No. 5 is a dual completion producing from the Drinkard and lower Blinebry with squeezed upper Blinebry perms (305 MBO). It is proposed to drill the No. 6 to develop Drinkard and lower (Blinebry) reserves on the west half of the 80 acre State A lease. A cooperative lease line injection project is planned to waterflood the upper Blinebry.

Drinkard production from the State A No. 5 totals 44 MBO x 3310 MMCF, with a current flowing rate of 1 BOPD x 156 MCFD. Lower Blinebry production in the No. 5 totals 9 MBO x 1359 MMCF, with a current pumping rate of 3 BOPD x 185 MCFD. Decline rates are essentially flat.

Project economics are based on a Drinkard completion (only) with initial rates of 5 BOPD x 500 MCFD. Oil is forecasted to decline to 2.5 BOPD in 6 months, with an ultimate recovery of 7.5 MBO. Gas is forecasted to decline to 250 MCFD in 6 months, with an ultimate recovery of 750 MMCF. Additional targets in the lower Blinebry and Tubb give the proposed No. 6 substantial upside.

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DRILLING AFE
ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

PROPERTY NO. 31210301	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMS <input type="checkbox"/> ITS	AFE NO. W01-0038	-D
COUNTY/STATE Lea/New Mexico	DISTRICT Southern	DATE 11/02/2000	
LEASE NAME State "A"	6	FIELD Hobbs Drinkard	
PROSPECT/LEASE #	LEGAL / ZIP CODE Sec. 32, T-18S-R-38E	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEVELOPMENT <input type="checkbox"/> PUO	
OPERATOR Apache Corporation	APACHE W/ 100.000000%		
OBJECTIVE Drinkard			
FOCUS AREA	API #		
ESTIMATED PROJECT START DATE		ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE	
DESCRIPTION Drill Straight hole to 7150'			
660' FNL X 1980' FEL			

DRILLING - INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
70002	AIR TRANSPORTATION	0		0
70003	BITS, COREHEADS AND REAMERS	20,000		20,000
70004	CASING CREWS	4,400		4,400
70005	CATERING AND GROCERIES	0		0
70006	CEMENT AND CEMENTING SERVICES (INCL. LC PLUG)	24,500		24,500
70009	COMPANY LABOR	0		0
70011	COMPANY SUPERVISION	1,200		1,200
70012	COMPANY VEHICLE EXPENSE	900		900
70019	CONTRACT DRILLING - DAYWORK/TURNKEY Days 22 @ 6,000	132,000		132,000
70020	CONTRACT DRILLING - FOOTAGE Feet @	0	0	0
70017	CONTRACT LABOR	3,000		3,000
70021	CONTRACT SUPERVISION	12,000		12,000
70022	DIRECTIONAL TOOLS	0		0
70025	DRILLING FLUIDS	12,000		12,000
65506	DRILLING OVERHEAD	0		0
70059	DRY HOLE PLUGGING	0		0
70031	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	6,000		6,000
70033	FILTRATION	0		0
70035	FORMATION TESTING	0		0
70037	FUEL AND POWER	0		0
70039	GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING	0		0
70045	INSURANCE	0		0
70046	LAND AND SITE RECLAMATION	6,000		6,000
70047	LEGAL AND CURATIVE	1,000		1,000
70049	LOGGING	11,500		11,500
70050	MARINE TRANSPORTATION	0		0
70054	OTHER INTANGIBLE	3,000		3,000
70064	RIG MOBILIZATION	15,000		15,000
70065	ROADS AND SITE PREPARATION	15,000		15,000
70089	SNUBBING/COIL TUBING UNIT	0		0
70073	TAX ON EQUIPMENT	0		0
70074	TRUCKING AND HAULING	3,500		3,500
70076	TUBULAR INSPECTIONS	2,200		2,200
70077	WATER	20,000		20,000
70078	WELLSITE LOSS AND DAMAGES	6,000		6,000
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS	299,200	0	299,200

DRILLING - TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION						BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
71006	CONDUCTOR CSG	Size	16"	Feet	40	@ 62.50	2,500		2,500
71019	INTERMEDIATE CSG	Size	8 5/8"	Feet	3800	@ 8.65	32,870		32,870
71024	LINER HANGERS						0		0
71025	LINERS - DRILLING OR PRODUCTION			Feet	0	@ 0.00	0		0
71050	SURFACE CSG	Size	13 3/8"	Feet	380	@ 19.40	7,372		7,372
71056	WELLHEAD ASSEMBLY						3,000		3,000
	SUB-TOTAL TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS						45,742	0	45,742
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE COSTS (PAGE 1)						299,200	0	299,200
	GRAND TOTAL						344,942	0	344,942
	LESS OUTSIDE INTERESTS						0	0	0
	TOTAL NET COSTS						344,942	0	344,942

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A.	GROSS ORIGINAL AFE AMOUNT	344,942
B.	APACHE ORIGINAL NET AFE AMOUNT	344,942
C.	NET ASSET TRANSFERS	
D.	TOTAL ORIGINAL NET AFE (LINE B PLUS LINE C)	344,942
E.	GROSS SUPPLEMENTS	0
F.	APACHE TOTAL NET AFE AMOUNT	344,942
	IN BUDGET	NOT IN BUDGET

COMPANY	WORKING INTEREST	APPROVED BY	DATE

COMMENTS:



COMPLETION AFE
ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENSE

PROPERTY NO. 31210301	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMS <input type="checkbox"/> ITS	AFE NO. W01-0038	-C
COUNTY/STATE Lea/New Mexico	DISTRICT Southern	DATE 11/02/00	
LEASE NAME State "A"	WELL NO. 6	FIELD Hobbs Drinkard	
PROSPECT/LEASE #	LEGAL / ZIP CODE Sec. 32, T-18S-R-38E	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEVELOPMENT <input type="checkbox"/> PUD	
OPERATOR Apache Corporation	APACHE WI 100.000000%		
OBJECTIVE Drinkard			
FOCUS AREA	API #		
ESTIMATED PROJECT START DATE		ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE	
DESCRIPTION Drill Straight hole to 7150'			
660' FNL X 1980' FEL			

COMPLETION - INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
70002	AIR TRANSPORTATION	0		0
70003	BITS, COREHEADS AND REAMERS	0		0
70004	CASING CREWS INCL CD MACHINE	3,800		3,800
70005	CATERING AND GROCERIES	0		0
70006	CEMENT AND CEMENTING SERVICES	10,500		10,500
70009	COMPANY LABOR	0		0
70011	COMPANY SUPERVISION	5,000		5,000
70012	COMPANY VEHICLE EXPENSE	500		500
70019	CONTRACT DRILLING - DAYWORK/TURKEY	10,500		10,500
70020	CONTRACT DRILLING - FOOTAGE	0		0
70017	CONTRACT LABOR	7,500		7,500
70021	CONTRACT SUPERVISION	0		0
70022	DIRECTIONAL TOOLS	0		0
70025	DRILLING FLUIDS	0		0
65506	DRILLING OVERHEAD	0		0
70059	DRY HOLE PLUGGING	0		0
70031	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	4,500		4,500
70033	FILTRATION	0		0
70034	FORMATION STIMULATION	91,000		91,000
70035	FORMATION TESTING	3,500		3,500
70037	FUEL AND POWER	0		0
70039	GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING	0		0
70040	GRAVEL PACK SERVICES	0		0
70045	INSURANCE	0		0
70046	LAND AND SITE RECLAMATION	0		0
70047	LEGAL AND CURATIVE	0		0
70049	LOGGING	4,500		4,500
70050	MARINE TRANSPORTATION	0		0
70054	OTHER INTANGIBLE	2,500		2,500
70064	RIG MOBILIZATION	0		0
70065	ROADS AND SITE PREPARATION	0		0
70069	SNUBBING/COIL TUBING UNIT	0		0
70073	TAX ON EQUIPMENT	0		0
70074	TRUCKING AND HAULING	3,500		3,500
70075	TUBING CONVEY PERFORATING	0		0
70076	TUBULAR INSPECTIONS	0		0
70077	WATER	8,000		8,000
70078	WELLSITE LOSS AND DAMAGES	0		0
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS	155,300	0	155,300

COMPLETION - TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
71024	LINER HANGERS	0		0
71025	LINERS - DRILLING OR PRODUCTION	0		0
71032	OTHER SUBSURFACE EQUIPMENT	5,000		5,000
71040	PROD. CSG Size 5 1/2 Feet 7150 @ 6.25	44,688		44,688
71048	SUCKER RODS	10,000		10,000
71053	TUBING	16,800		16,800
71056	WELLHEAD ASSEMBLY	2,050		2,050
	SUB-TOTAL TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS	78,538	0	78,538
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE COSTS (PAGE 1)	155,300	0	155,300
	GRAND TOTAL	233,838	0	233,838
	LESS OUTSIDE INTERESTS	0	0	0
	TOTAL NET COSTS	233,838	0	233,838

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A.	GROSS ORIGINAL AFE AMOUNT	233,838
B.	APACHE ORIGINAL NET AFE AMOUNT	233,838
C.	NET ASSET TRANSFERS	
D.	TOTAL ORIGINAL NET AFE (LINE B PLUS LINE C)	233,838
E.	GROSS SUPPLEMENTS	0
F.	APACHE TOTAL NET AFE AMOUNT	233,838
	IN BUDGET	NOT IN BUDGET

COMPANY	WORKING INTEREST	APPROVED BY	DATE

COMMENTS: _____

EQUIPMENT AFE
ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

PROPERTY NO.	31210301	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMS <input type="checkbox"/> ITS	AFE NO.	W01-0038	-E
COUNTY/STATE	Lea/New Mexico	DISTRICT	Southern	DATE	11/02/00
LEASE NAME	State "A"	WELL NO.	6	FIELD	Hobbs Drinkard
PROSPECT/LEASE #	LEGAL / ZIP CODE		Sec. 32, T-18S-R-38E		
OPERATOR	Apache Corporation	APACHE WI	100.000000%		
OBJECTIVE	Drinkard	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION			
FOCUS AREA	API #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEVELOPMENT			
ESTIMATED PROJECT START DATE		ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE			
DESCRIPTION					
Drill Straight hole to 7150'					
660' FNL X 1980' FEL					

EQUIPMENT - TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
71001	ARTIFICIAL LIFT EQUIPMENT	41,000		41,000
71005	COMPRESSOR STATIONS	0		0
71008	DEHYDRATION / AMINE UNITS	0		0
71012	FLOW LINES TO BATTERY	3,100		3,100
71017	HIGH PRESSURE KNOCK-OUT	0		0
71007	ONSHORE PLATFORM	0		0
71033	OTHER SURFACE EQUIPMENT	8,000		8,000
71039	PRIME MOVER	2,500		2,500
71043	PUMPS	0		0
71045	SALES LINE	0		0
71046	SEPARATORS	4,600		4,600
71051	TANK BATTERY	0		0
71052	TREATORS	0		0
	SUB-TOTAL TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS	59,200	0	59,200
	GRAND TOTAL	59,200	0	59,200
	LESS OUTSIDE INTERESTS	0	0	0
	TOTAL NET COSTS	59,200	0	59,200

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A.	GROSS ORIGINAL AFE AMOUNT	59,200
B.	APACHE ORIGINAL NET AFE AMOUNT	59,200
C.	NET ASSET TRANSFERS	
D.	TOTAL ORIGINAL NET AFE (LINE B PLUS LINE C)	59,200
E.	GROSS SUPPLEMENTS	0
F.	APACHE TOTAL NET AFE AMOUNT	59,200
	IN BUDGET	NOT IN BUDGET

COMPANY	WORKING INTEREST	APPROVED BY	DATE

COMMENTS:



**DRILLING AND COMPLETION AFFIDAVIT
ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR LEASE**

PROPERTY NO.	31210301	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMS <input type="checkbox"/> ITS	AFE NO.	W01-0038	
COUNTY/STATE	Lea/New Mexico	DISTRICT	Southern	DATE	11/02/00
LEASE NAME	State "A"	WELL NO.	6	FIELD	Hobbs Drinkard
PROSPECT/LEASE #		LEGAL / ZIP CODE	Sec. 32, T-18S-R-38E	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEVELOPMENT <input type="checkbox"/> PUD	
OPERATOR	Apache Corporation	APACHE WI	100.000000%		
OBJECTIVE	Drinkard				
FOCUS AREA		API #			
ESTIMATED PROJECT START DATE		ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE			
DESCRIPTION					
Drill Straight hole to 7150'					
660' FNL X 1980' FEL					

INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
70002	AIR TRANSPORTATION	0	0	0
70003	BITS, COREHEADS AND REAMERS	20,000	0	20,000
70004	CASING CREWS	8,200	0	8,200
70005	CATERING AND GROCERIES	0	0	0
70006	CEMENT AND CEMENTING SERVICES	35,000	0	35,000
70009	COMPANY LABOR	0	0	0
70011	COMPANY SUPERVISION	6,200	0	6,200
70012	COMPANY VEHICLE EXPENSE	1,400	0	1,400
70019	CONTRACT DRILLING - DAYWORK/TURNKEY	142,500	0	142,500
70020	CONTRACT DRILLING - FOOTAGE	0	0	0
70017	CONTRACT LABOR	10,500	0	10,500
70021	CONTRACT SUPERVISION	12,000	0	12,000
70022	DIRECTIONAL TOOLS	0	0	0
70025	DRILLING FLUIDS	12,000	0	12,000
65506	DRILLING OVERHEAD	0	0	0
70059	DRY HOLE PLUGGING	0	0	0
70031	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	10,500	0	10,500
70033	FILTRATION	0	0	0
70034	FORMATION STIMULATION	91,000	0	91,000
70035	FORMATION TESTING	3,500	0	3,500
70037	FUEL AND POWER	0	0	0
70039	GEOLOGICAL AND ENGINEERING	0	0	0
70040	GRAVEL PACK SERVICES	0	0	0
70045	INSURANCE	0	0	0
70046	LAND AND SITE RECLAMATION	6,000	0	6,000
70047	LEGAL AND CURATIVE	1,000	0	1,000
70049	LOGGING	18,000	0	16,000
70050	MARINE TRANSPORTATION	0	0	0
70054	OTHER INTANGIBLE	5,500	0	5,500
70064	RIG MOBILIZATION	15,000	0	15,000
70065	ROADS AND SITE PREPARATION	15,000	0	15,000
70069	SNUBBING/COIL TUBING UNIT	0	0	0
70073	TAX ON EQUIPMENT	0	0	0
70074	TRUCKING AND HAULING	7,000	0	7,000
70075	TUBING CONVEY PERFORATING	0	0	0
70076	TUBULAR INSPECTIONS	2,200	0	2,200
70077	WATER	28,000	0	28,000
70078	WELLSITE LOSS AND DAMAGES	6,000	0	6,000
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS	454,500	0	454,500

TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS

ACCT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	SUPPLEMENT	TOTAL WELL COST
71001	ARTIFICIAL LIFT EQUIPMENT	41,000	0	41,000
71005	COMPRESSOR STATIONS	0	0	0
71006	CONDUCTOR CASING	2,500	0	2,500
71008	DEHYDRATION / AMINE UNITS	0	0	0
71012	FLOW LINES TO BATTERY	3,100	0	3,100
71017	HIGH PRESSURE KNOCK-OUT	0	0	0
71019	INTERMEDIATE CASING	32,870	0	32,870
71024	LINER HANGERS	0	0	0
71025	LINERS - DRILLING OR PRODUCTION	0	0	0
71007	ONSHORE PLATFORM	0	0	0
71032	OTHER SUBSURFACE EQUIPMENT	5,000	0	5,000
71033	OTHER SURFACE EQUIPMENT	8,000	0	8,000
71039	PRIME MOVER	2,500	0	2,500
71040	PRODUCTION CASING	44,888	0	44,888
71043	PUMPS	0	0	0
71045	SALES LINE	0	0	0
71046	SEPARATORS	4,600	0	4,600
71048	SUCKER RODS	10,000	0	10,000
71050	SURFACE CASING	7,372	0	7,372
71051	TANK BATTERY	0	0	0
71052	TREATORS	0	0	0
71053	TUBING	16,800	0	16,800
71056	WELLHEAD ASSEMBLY	5,050	0	5,050
	SUB-TOTAL TANGIBLE MATERIAL COSTS	183,480	0	183,480
	SUB-TOTAL INTANGIBLE COSTS (PAGE 1)	454,500	0	454,500
	GRAND TOTAL	637,980	0	637,980
	LESS OUTSIDE INTERESTS	0	0	0
	TOTAL NET COSTS	637,980	0	637,980

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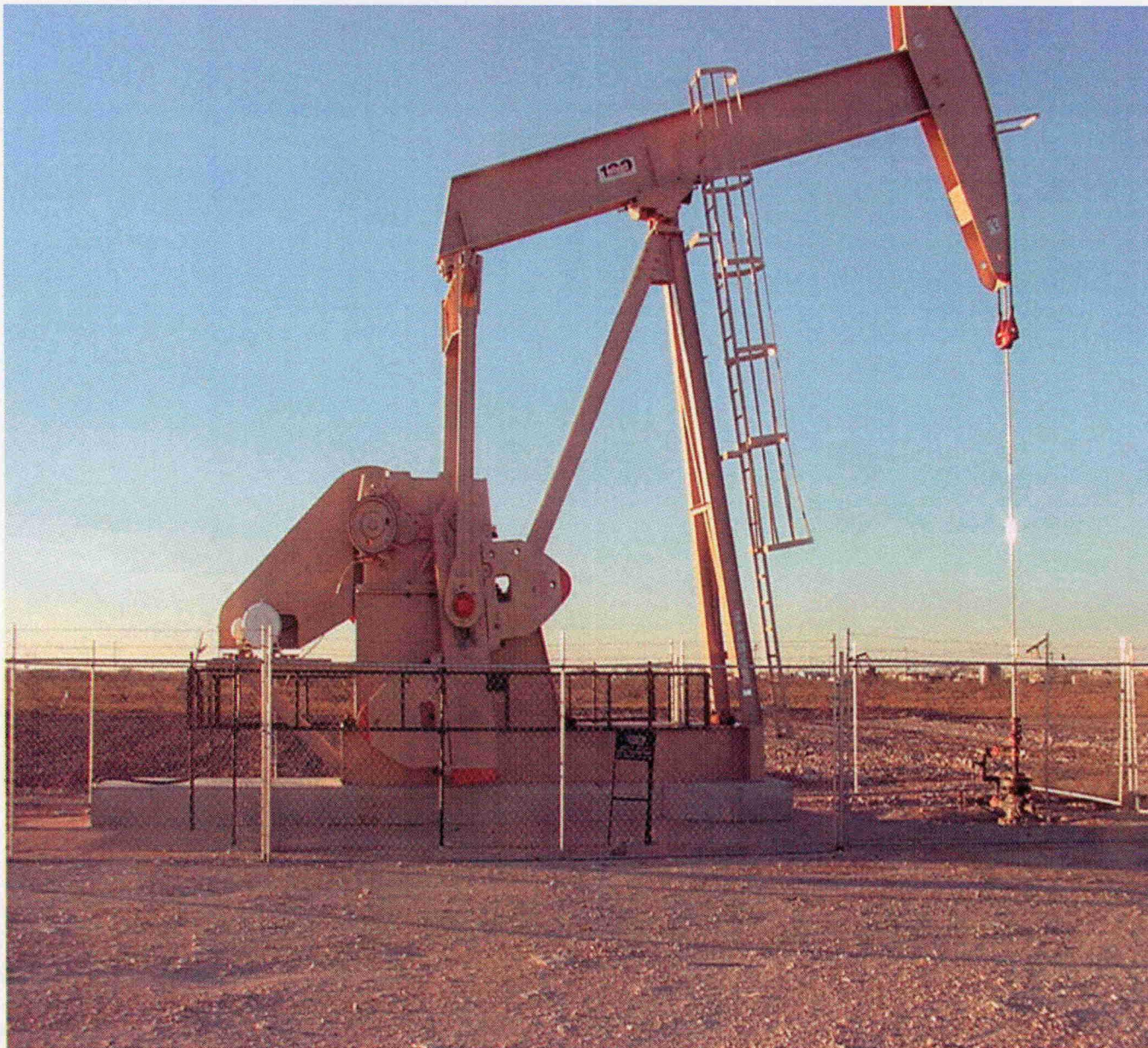
A.	GROSS ORIGINAL AFE AMOUNT	637,980
B.	APACHE ORIGINAL NET AFE AMOUNT	637,980
C.	NET ASSET TRANSFERS	
D.	TOTAL ORIGINAL NET AFE (LINE B PLUS LINE C)	637,980
E.	GROSS SUPPLEMENTS	0
F.	APACHE TOTAL NET AFE AMOUNT	637,980
	IN BUDGET	NOT IN BUDGET

COMPANY	WORKING INTEREST	APPROVED BY	DATE

COMMENTS:



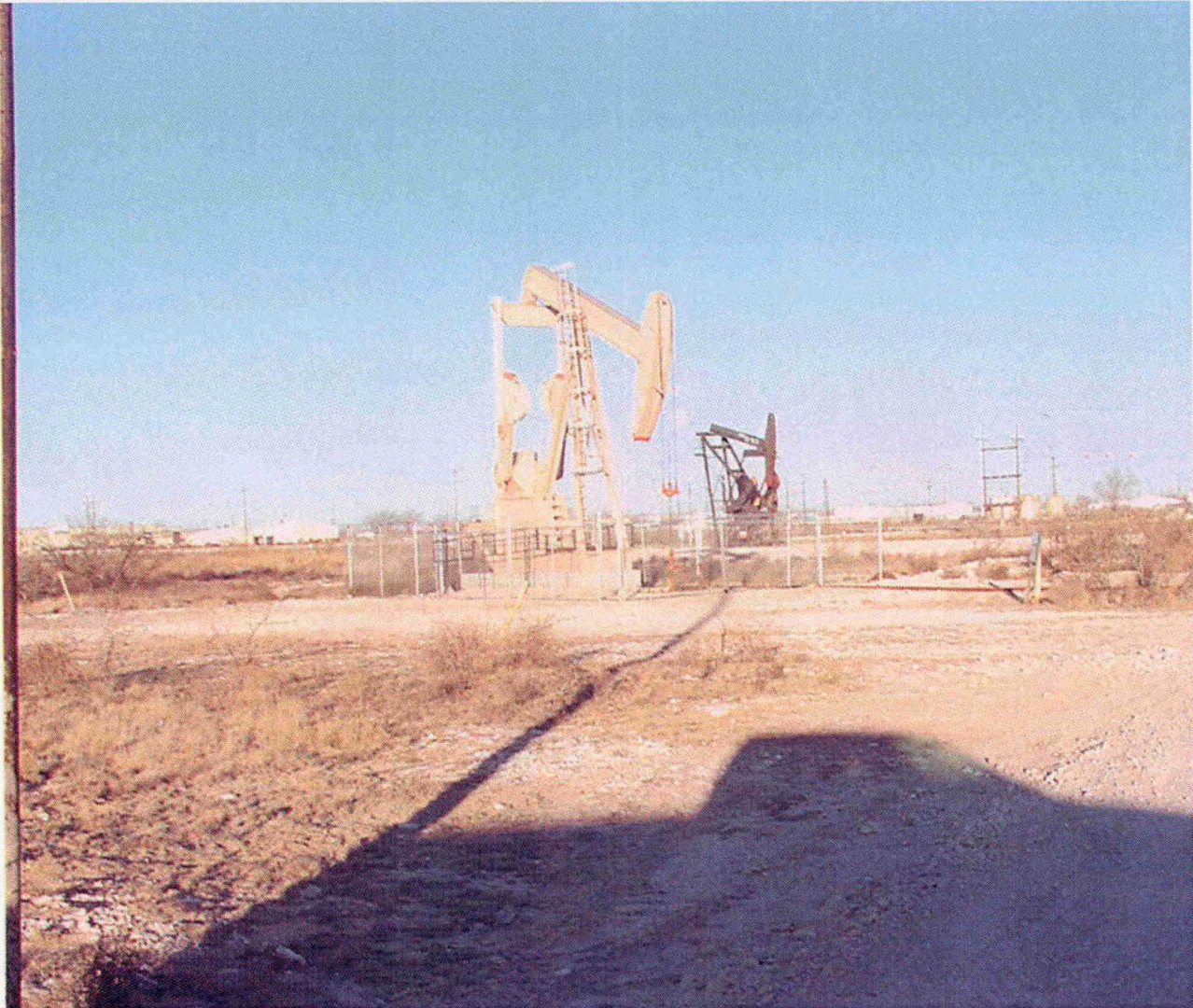
This is a picture of the well sign for the Apache State A # 6 showing the location of the well.



This a picture of the pumping unit on the State A # 6 looking from north to south.



This is a picture of the Apache owned State A # 4 (tan unit) along with the Oxy owned North Hobbs Unit # 32-313 pumping unit both of these wells are just to the west and north of the State A tank Btry.



This picture was a little closer look at the Apache #4 well and the OXY # 32-313 well that are located on the west side of the tank Btry.

We have to remember that the reason they could not drill the State A # 6 at 660 from north line and 1980 from the east line is because the State A tank Btry. is located exactly at that spot.



This is a picture of the State A tank Btry. that is located 660' FNL- 1980 FEL. The picture was taken as I stood next to the wellhead of the State A # 6. I was looking back toward the north when I took the picture. The State A # 6 is located 990' FNL and 1817' FEL.



This picture shows some of the meter runs and gas pipelines in the area just on the north side of the State A tank Btry



This is a picture of the large Playa lakebed that is on the east side of State A tank Btry. It is about 300 feet away from the tank Btry



Another look at the lakebed that is just on the east side of the State A Btry explaining why they did not move to the east to drill the well.