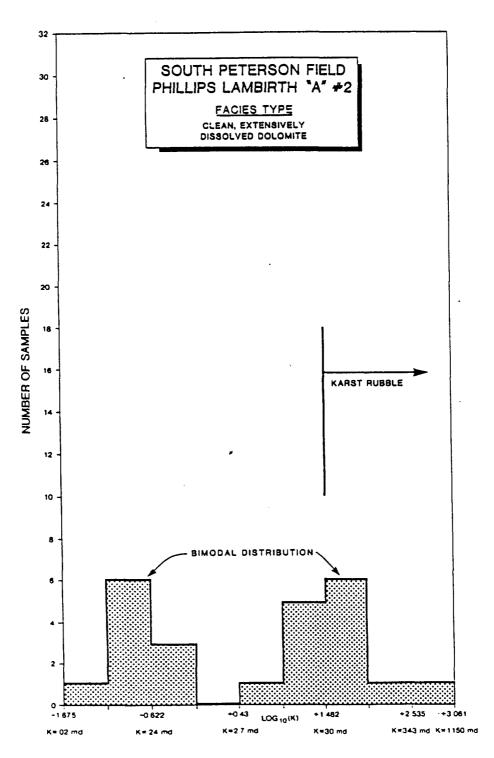


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Figure 9.112. Histogram showing frequency of permeability in core samples arranged in classes defined by the logarithm of the permeability. The bimodal distribution reflects the different effects of dolomitization and subaerial exposure on the reservoir rocks.

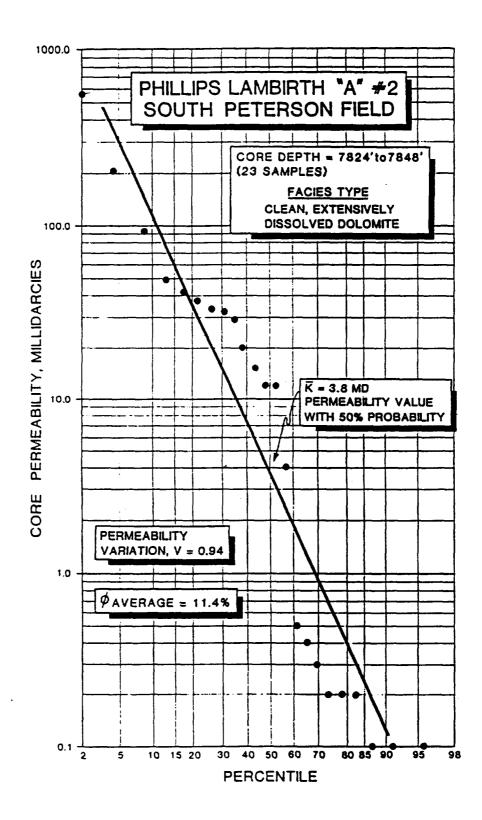
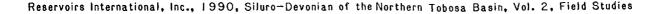


Figure 9.111. Distribution of core permeability for samples from the Phillips Lambirth "A" #2 well. Permeability variation (V) = 0.94, indicating a very heterogeneous distribution. This resulted in premature water breakthrough in the reservoir.



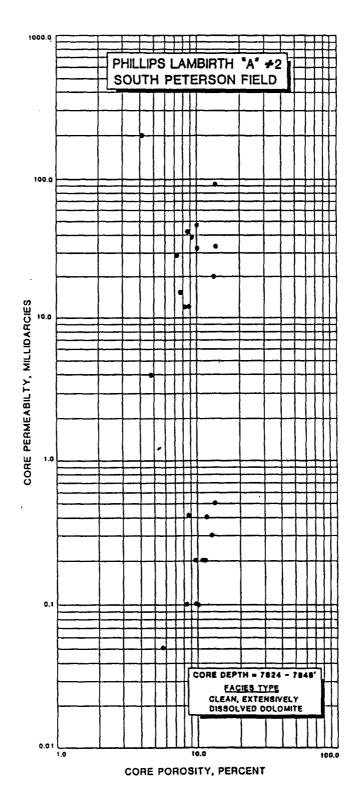
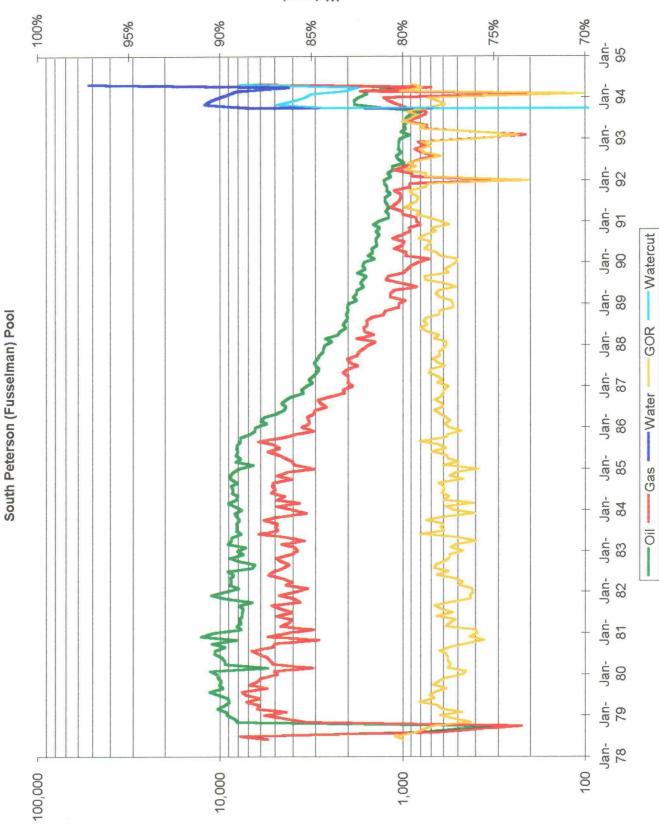


Figure 9.110. Crossplot of core porosity and permeability in the Phillips Lambirth "A" #2 well, a Montoya producer in Peterson South Field. Note the consistency of porosity values, but almost complete absence of points between 0.5 and 10 md permeability. Lower permeability samples are matrix dolomite; higher values represent karst rubble. Average porosity over the cored interval was 9.6%.



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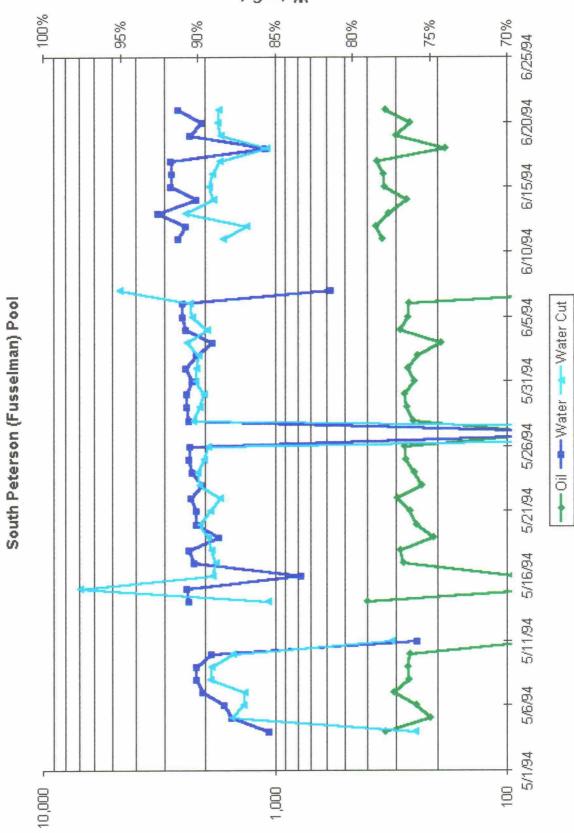
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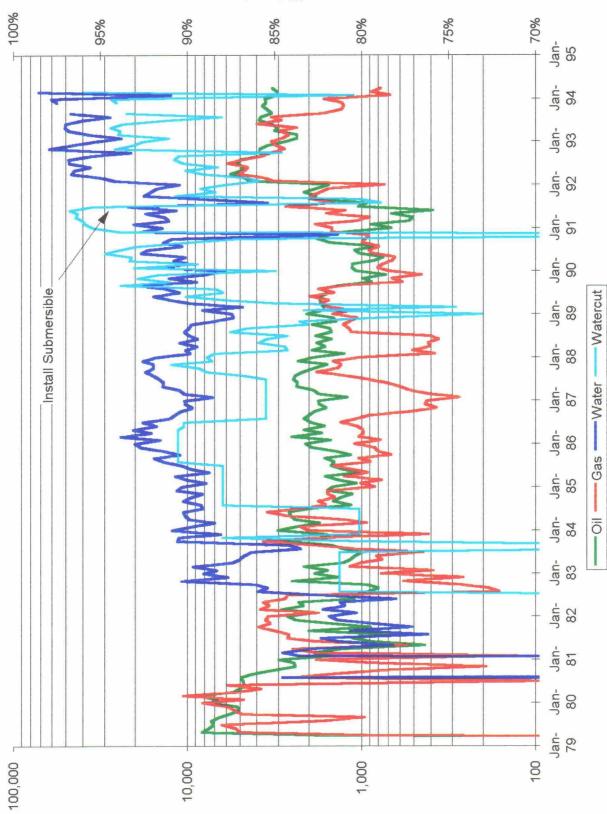
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# MAXIMIZING RATES AND RECOVERIES IN WEST TEXAS NATURAL WATERDRIVE RESERVOIRS THROUGH APPLICATIC OF HIGH CAPACITY ARTIFICIAL LIFT EQUIPMENT

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### ABSTRACT

Recoveries in West Texas natural waterdrive reservoirs range from 55 to 80% of the original oil-inplace. These recoveries are generally being achieved using conventional artificial lift methods in the late depletion stages. The high recovery factors and possible detrimental effects of higher capacity artificial lift have historically restricted its use in these types of fields. Contrary to general theory and operating practice, it has been demonstrated that high volume lift is an effective means of increasing rate and ultimate recovery in some West Texas natural waterdrive fields.

### INTRODUCTION

Historically, operating practices in most West Texas natural waterdrive reservoirs were developed under the premise that they were so efficient that little could be done to enhance their performance. One alternative was the acceleration of recovery by increasing total fluid withdrawal rates within allowable restrictions. However, most of these fields were considered to be subject to water coning. Therefore, theoretically, increased withdrawals would increase water cut, perhaps irreversibly, and possibly reduce ultimate recovery.

With incentives of higher crude prices and the 100% market demand factor in Texas, it was decided to test this theory in some marginal high water cut producers. After significant increases in withdrawal rate, water cut remained relatively constant and in some cases even dropped. Water coning theory indicates that the added production volume should not improve recovery in homogeneous waterdrive reservoirs. If this prediction was valid, larger artificial lift in homogeneous reservoirs would not be feasible. However, based on the performance support of the few experimental high volume lift installations and the fact that real reservoirs are heterogeneous to some degree, several more installations were made. Performance of some of these additional installations is now

sufficient to provide meaningful analysis and conclusions.

A post installation appraisal was used to evaluate the effectiveness of 55 high volume lift (HVL) installations in 23 West Texas natural waterdrive reservoirs. High volume lift refers to electric submersible pumps and hydraulic pumps capable of tgtal fluid production in excess of 1000 BFPD (159 M<sup>5</sup>FPD). These 23 reservoirs are located in 8 Ellenburger, 9 Devonian-Silurian, and 6 Other fields. Figure 1 is a map indicating their general geographical location. This sampling of installations investigates eight different horizons ranging geologically from the Canyon through the Ellenburger. Figure 2 depicts the relative geological position the horizons have with each other and their average depths.

With 3 to 48 months of post installation performance available on 55 electric submersible and hydraulic pumps, production trends have stabilized sufficiently to estimate the incremental volume of oil which will be recovered with HVL versus conventional lift. Also, the magnitude of initial and sustained rate increase achieved with high volume lift over conventional lift is now quantifiable.

To optimize future HVL installation priority for maximum rate and recovery, the HVL analysis was subdivided into three categories. These categories are the Ellenburger, Devonian, which is a combination of Silurian and Devonian, and Other, which is composed of Abo, Canyon, Strawn, Caddo Cambrian, and Penn.

### ASSUMPTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

1. Observations made as a result of this study are from HVL performance exhibited by West Texas natural waterdrive carbonate reservoirs only.

2. Generally the installation of HVL is the final attempt to increase production and ultimate recovery. That is to say, all the pay has been opened and several stimulations performed such that potential for any further downhole remedial

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#### work is nil.

3. HVL is installed when the maximum size beam lift operated within its physical limitation cannot effectively pump the well off.

4. Although it is recognized that decline curve analysis has limitations in waterdrive reservoirs, the maximum production benefit is early in the life of HVL and the majority of the remaining recovery is obtained within the first few years. Therefore, the later production predicted with decline curve extrapolation is minor and does not have significant effect on the overall economics.

5. Decline curve analysis is representative and well test data accurately reflect production.

6. Other assumptions are that base case or conventional lift production forecasts attain stripper crude prices prior to abandonment while high volume lift production forecasts reach their economic limit at higher producing rates due to higher operating costs and are still receiving lower tier crude prices.

### THEORY

Incremental production and recovery are indicated from this study, although performance to date is insufficient to ascertain the origin of the growth. Theoretically there are two potential sources for the increased recovery. It may be coming from the stripping effect associated with moving greater volumes of fluid through the reservoir. This concept is supported by the shape of the fractional flow curve for an oil-wet reservoir. At high water cuts, significant additional recovery is achievable with continued withdrawals as demonstrated by the flattening of the curve. The reservoirs involved in this study tend to be moderately oil-wet. The second contributing factor to reserve growth may be the heterogeneity of the reservoir rock. Additional recovery could be coming from the lower flow capacity intervals as an increased pressure differential is created at the well bore with high volume lift. Figure 3 is a typical Devonian porosity log which shows the inherent heterogeneity of these carbonate reservoirs.

Rate increases experienced with high volume lift over those exhibited by conventional lift are explained by Darcy's Law, in that rate (Q) is proportional to the pressure differential ( $\Delta P$ ) and a greater  $\Delta P$  is obtained with high volume lift by lowering the producing fluid level.

### OPERATING EXPENSE

Due to increased power requirements for the additional lift capacity plus increased salt water disposal capacity needed for the larger fluid withdrawals, operating costs soared to approximately a five fold increase over those with conventional lift. Table 1 illustrates the average operating costs incurred prior to high volume lift and after high volume lift for the three categories investigated. It should be noted that the deeper the horizon, the higher the operating cost. This is primarily due to the increased power requirements with increasing depth of fluid withdrawals. Also, the deeper horizons are generally hotter, thus the equipment failure is more frequent and pulling costs incurred are greater. For example, the average run time between pulling jobs in the Ellenburger is roughly 1/2 that of the Devonian and the average Ellenburger pulling cost is approximately 40% greater than the average Devonian pulling job cost.

### ECONOMIC LIMITS

Economic limits for continued operations with conventional lift and projected operations with high volume lift are different because of the variation in operating costs and crude prices. The conventional lift economic limit is calculated using a stripper crude price of \$15.50/bb1  $(\$97.49/M_3^3)$ . A lower tier crude price of \$5.50/bbl  $(\$34.59/M_3)$  is used to calculate the high volume lift economic limit. The operating costs for high volume lift increase such that stripper production is not achieved prior to reaching the abandonment rate determined by strict interpretation of current price controls and assuming no special price relief is sought. Figure 4 is the calculation used to determine the economic limit and Table 2 illustrates the economic limits calculated. Realistically, it is difficult to believe that wells on HVL would be abandoned at such high rates without first seeking price relief. However, for reserve evaluation purposes, abandonment rates were assumed to be a function of the current price controls.

In many cases, HVL production increases have received upper tier crude prices of about \$12.50/bbl (\$78.62/M<sup>3</sup>). Consequently, the indicated reserve results of this analysis present a conservative picture. Due to the complexity of multiple leases and BPCL mixtures, the portion of increased oil recovery which receives upper tier prices and that which receives lower tier prices is difficult to determine. Therefore, lower tier oil prices were used to determine economic limits and therfore, incremental oil obtained from HVL. It is obvious if HVL economics are good using lower tier prices, they will be even better when upper tier prices are applicable.

### HVL INVESTMENT

The average high volume lift equipment cost for these 55 installations was \$41,700/installation plus \$19,000/installation for associated salt water disposal costs. HVL sizing requirements, and therefore costs, are a function of depth and the expected fluid volume. For these 55 installations, these sizing factors have varied from 6000' (1829 M) to 12,500' (3810<sub>2</sub>M) and 1000 BFPD (159 M<sup>5</sup>FPD) to 6000 BFPD (954 M<sup>3</sup>FPD), respectively. Table 3 shows the average initial investment for the high volume lift installations by category.

### ZERO TIME PLOT ANALYSIS

Due to the 48 month span over which these high volume lift installations were made, a zero time plot analysis was employed to evaluate average performance of all the installations. Figure 5 is a typical zero time plot analysis used to provide a common datum for determination of an average performance trend prior to and after high volume

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lift installation. It should be pointed out, however, that as data extends further away from the zero point, interpretation becomes more difficult because the data sampling size is diminishing.

The base case or conventional lift performance trend established from the 55 well average indicated an oil rate of 80 BOPD (13 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) at an 80% water cut with production declining at approximately 30%/year when the performance data for each well was adjusted to time-zero, averaged, and plotted. Based on this trend, an additional 80,000 BO (12,719 M<sup>3</sup>O) would be recovered prior to reaching the economic limit for the average well. With installation of high volume lift, the rate initially increased to 230 BOPD (37 M<sup>3</sup>OPD), which was an average initial incremental rate of 150 BOPD (24 M<sup>3</sup>OPD), then sharply declined over the next 3 to 6 months to a more stabilized decline trend of 12%/year. No significant change in water cut was observed. With the shut-in time required for installation of the high volume lift equipment, a certain amount of flush production is associated with initial startup. This is probably the reason for the initial sharp decline. Using this analysis for the high volume lift installation an average additional 363,000 B0 (5,771 M<sup>3</sup>0) will be recovered per installation. Based on the before and after installation trends, an incremental 283,000 BO (44,993 M°O) average per installation is estimated to be recovered.

Two significant characteristics exhibited by these plots were the shallower decline in oil production after HVL installation and the lack of change in the watercut trends. Figure 6 is a zero time plot illustrating the average performance of these 55 installations over 60 months of time. Through 42 months after the HVL installation, the number of wells included in the average decreases from 52 to 10 and the performance trend is stabilized. The last 6 months, where the decline is much steeper, are not felt to be representative because only 9 to 6 wells are included in the sampling. Even if production were to drop to the economic limit immediately, there has already been an estimated average incremental recovery of 100,000 BO (15,899  $M^{\circ}O)/installation$  to date over that expected with conventional lift.

Performance of the three categories investigated (Ellenburger, Devonian, and Other) are shown by Figures 7, 8, and 9, respectively. All three categories exhibit similar response characteristics. All three show significant initial increases dropping to a more stabilized trend within 3 to 6 months. The Devonian exhibits the most potential for both recovery and rate increase with a 350,000 BO (5,646 M<sup>3</sup>O) incremental recovery and a 176 BOPD (28 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) average rate increase per installation. The sudden drop in production exhibited in the Devonian zero time plot after 42 months is also reflected in the total zero time plot (Figure 6). If this sudden drop is to be the predominant characteristic (even though it is only based on a three well sampling), an estimated average per well incremental recovery of 133.000 BO (21,145 M<sup>3</sup>O) above the expected ultimate recovery for conventional lift has already been produced by these Devonian high volume lift installations.

A number of observations can be made from these HVL performance analyses. Recognizing that observed performance is a result of analysis of a limited data sampling, it appears that the Devonian category exhibits the most potential for HVL. Perhaps it is better than the Ellenburger because the Ellenburger production is primarily from fracture systems, whereas the Devonian production comes from both fracture and matrix contributions and therefore exhibits a greater degree of heterogeneity than the Ellenburger. Devonian HVL response is probably better than the Other category because the Other category reservoirs were being more efficiently produced with conventional lift. That is, the fluid level changes or differential pressure increases in the Other category were not as great as those experienced in the Devonian when HVL was used instead of conventional lift. Therefore, the incremental increase from HVL was not as great.

There are two distinctive characteristics in the zero time plot for the Other category. The water cut trend prior to high volume lift installation was not as steep as for the Ellenburger and Devonian categories and the decline trend after high volume lift installation was steeper. Both characteristics are probably due to the more efficient conventional recovery in Other category reservoirs as previously discussed. Table 4 illustrates the average per well incremental rate and recovery for the different categories analyzed.

For the 55 installations, the total initial incremental rate was 8,250 BOPD (1,312 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) and the total incremental recovery is estimated to be 15,565,000 BO (2,474,600 M<sup>3</sup>O). This performance indicates that high volume lift is proving to be an effective means of increasing rate and ultimate recovery in some West Texas natural waterdrive reservoirs.

### PERFORMANCE EXAMPLES

Each of the 55 wells analyzed was unique. Three general observations could be made from this analysis. First, wells with a 70% water cut or greater usually had sufficient decline in production such that incremental recovery attributed to high volume lift could be estimated. Second, most well cases studied indicated a significant production increase immediately after HVL installation followed by a rather rapid decline over the next 3 to 6 months before a more stabilized shallower decline trend was established. Third, wells with a 95% water cut or greater generally did not generate enough incremental recovery to be economically attractive. For illustration purposes, a sample well from each of the three categories investigated is shown below. These examples do not necessarily typify average category performance.

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### EXAMPLE #1

Well "A" is an Ellenburger well which was on rod pump prior to installation of an electric submersible pump (ESP) at zero time. As shown by the zero time plot (Figure 10), Well "A" water production increased in the 12 months prior to the ESP installation from an 18% water cut to a 74% water cut while oil production declined from 300 BOPD (48 M OPD) to 35 BOPD (5.6 M OPD). With this 91%/yr decline trend, the well would only recover about another 4250 BO (676 M O) prior to reaching an economic limit of 2 BOPD (0.3 M OPD) on conventional lift. When the ESP was installed, prog duction initially increased to 400 BOPD (48 M OPD) and then declined to 300 BOPD (48 M OPD) in one month before stabilizing at a 28%/yr decline trend. Remaining recovery with the ESP to an economic limit of 41 BOPD (6.5 M OPD) is estimated to be 298,400 BO (47,442 M O). Thus, an instantaneous incremental oil rate of 365 BOPD (58 M OPD) was achieved and an incremental future recovery of 294,150 BO (46,766 M O) is anticipated.

#### EXAMPLE #2

Well "B" is a Devonian well which was on rod pump prior to installation of electric submersible pump (ESP). Figure 11 is the zero time plot for this well which exhibited stabilized production at about 250 BOPD (40 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) water free until 8 months prior to the ESP installation. When water started breaking through, the well established an 80%/yr decline trend and oil production dropped to less than 90 BOPD (14 M OPD) just prior to the ESP installation. During this 8 months of oil decline, water cut increased from 0 to 74%. If maintained on rod pump, Well "B" would have recovered only an additional 18,600 BO (2,957 M<sup>3</sup>O) before reaching its economic limit. Installation of the ESP brought the oil rate back up to 270 BOPD (43 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) initially, but over the next 6 months, production had declined to 100 BOPD (16 M°OPD) before a decline trend of 43%/yr was established. The water cut increased to 88% initially and has since stabilized to between 96 and 98%. Additional recovery with the ESP to an economic limit of 25.5 BOPD (4.1 M GPD) is estimated to be 218,000 BO (34,659 M O). Jhus, an initial rate increase of 180 BOPD (29 M OPD) was achieved and an incremental future recovery of 199,400 BO (31,702 M<sup>3</sup>0) is predicted.

### EXAMPLE #3

Well "C" is a Strawn well, from the Other horizon category, which was on rod pump prior to the ESP installation. Figure 12 is the zero time plot of Well "C". In the 12 months preceding the ESP installation, production decreased from 65 BOPD (10 M°OPD) to 25 BOPD (4 M°OPD) as water cut increased from 67% to 90%. With production declining at 61%/yr, only 8,900 B0 (1415 M<sup>3</sup>0) remained to be recovered with the rod pump. Installation of the ESP increased production to 178 BOPD (28 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) followed by an instantaneous decline of 30%/yr. Producing to an economic limit of 15.7 BQPD (2.5 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) an additional 166,100 BO (26,408 M<sup>3</sup>0) should be recovered with HVL. Therefore, an initial incremental oil rate of 153 BOPD (24 M<sup>3</sup>OPD) was achieved and a future, incremental oil recovery of 157,200 BO (24,993 M<sup>3</sup>0) is predicted.

#### CONCLUSIONS

1. High volume lift installations in some West Texas natural waterdrive reservoirs are successful in increasing rate and ultimate recovery over that expected with conventional lift methods.

2. Based on performance of 55 HVL installations, maximum incremental rate and recovery occur in the Devonian category.

3. Maximum benefit from HVL is achieved when installed on wells with producing water cuts in excess of 70% (the lowest water cut exhibiting stabilized decline trends) and less than 95%.

4. Concern over premature water breakthrough and reduced ultimate recovery from application of high volume lift is unsubstantiated in most heterogeneous, West Texas carbonate, oil-wet, natural waterdrive reservoirs.

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### TABLE 1

#### AVERAGE OPERATING COSTS \$/MONTH/WELL

ALL CASES (PRIOR TO HVL)	739
ELLENBURGER	5500
DEVONIAN	3400
OTHER	2100
ALL CASES (AFTER HVL)	3633

### TABLE 2

HORIZON CATEGORY	ECONOMIC	LIMIT
	BOPD/WELL	M <sup>3</sup> OPD/WELL
AVERAGE (PRIOR TO F ELLENBURGER DEVONIAN	41.2 25.5	0.3 6.6 4.1
OTHER AVERAGE (AFTER HVL)	15.7	2.5

### TABLE 3

# HORIZON

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# AVERAGE HIGH VOLUME LIFT INVESTMENT/INSTALLATION

ELLENBURGER
DEVONIAN
OTHER
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### TABLE 4

# HVL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

	AVERAGE/MELL			
	INCREMENTA	L RECOVERY	INITIAL INCR	EMENTAL RATE
HORIZON	MBO	<u>10<sup>3</sup>M<sup>3</sup>0</u>	BOPD	M <sup>3</sup> OPD
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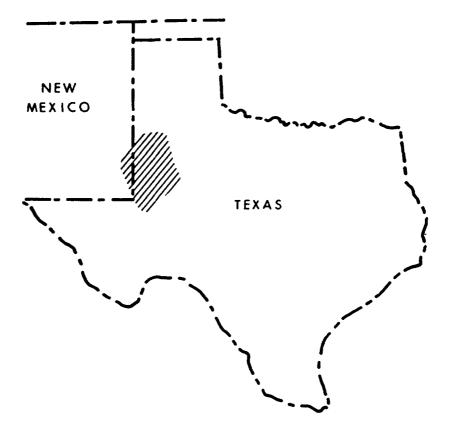


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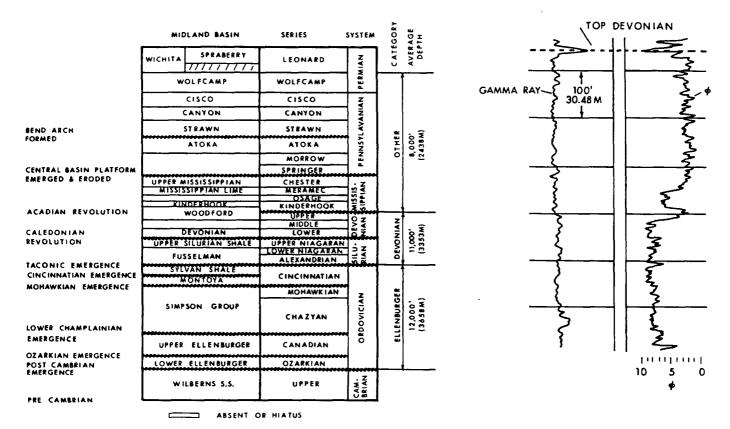


FIG. 2 - GEOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIP

FIG. 3 - DEVONIAN TYPE LOG.

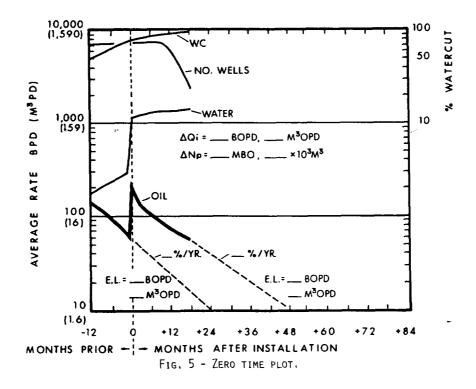
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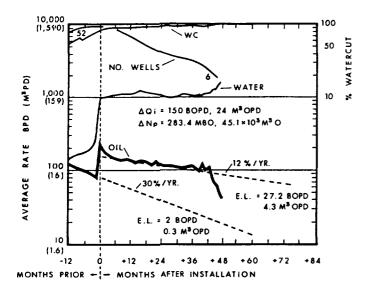
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E.L. (BOPD/WELL) = MONTHLY OPERATING COST PER WELL (1-ROYALTY)(1-TAXES)(\$/8BL.)(30.4)

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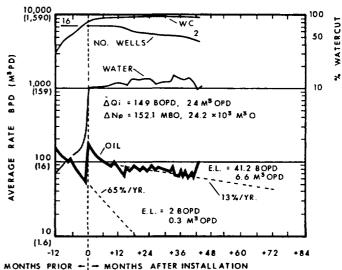
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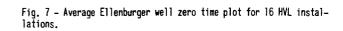




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Fig. 6 - Average well zero time plot for all 55 HVL installations.





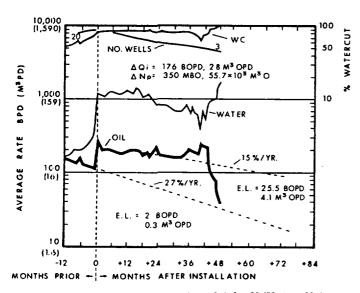


Fig. 8 - Average Devonian well zero time plot for 23 HVL installations.

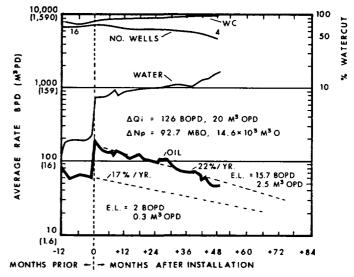
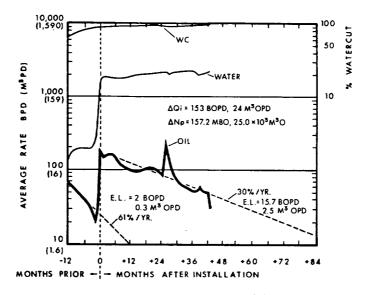


Fig. 9 - Average other well zero time plot for 16 HVL installations.



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Fig. 10 - Well "A" zero time plot.

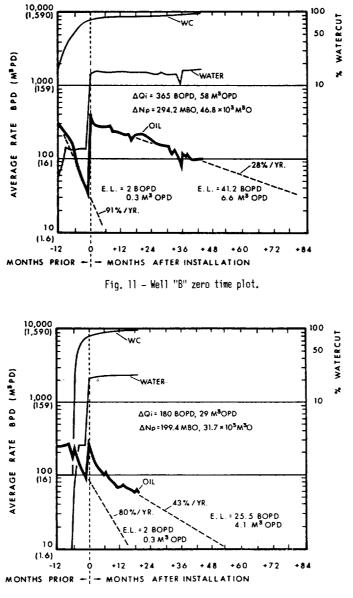


Fig. 12 - Well "C" zero time plot.

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May 5, 1994

EP Operating Limited Partnership ATT: Ralph B Telford 6 Desta Dr., Suite 5250 Midland, TX 79705-5510

RE: Lambirth #1-K Sec.31, T-5s, T-33e

Gentlemen:

We received your letter stating that you have put this well on a submersible pump, testing with results of 335 BO, 1055 BW, and 128 MCFG in 17 hours. We give you permission to produce this well for 20 days at this rate, after that you must apply for a hearing to increase the allowable for this well or curtail the production.

If you will get back with us when you make out your application for the hearing, we will consider granting addition allowable for production until the hearing. With the understanding that if the application for additional allowable is not granted the production from the well will be curtailed back until the overage is made up.

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Yours very truly,

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Phillips Petroleum Company 4001 Penbrook Odessa, TX 79762

> Re: Application of Enserch Exploration, Inc., for Special Pool Rules, Roosevelt County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Enserch Exploration, Inc., has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking an order promulgating Special Rules and Regulations for the South Peterson-Fusselman Pool located in portions of Townships 5 and 6 South, Ranges 32 and 33 East, N.M.P.M., Roosevelt County, New Mexico setting a special oil allowable for the pool of 500 barrels per day.

This application has been set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on June 9, 1994. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear at the hearing and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time or otherwise become a party of record will preclude you from challenging this application at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases before the Division have been requested to file a Pre-hearing Statement substantially in the form prescribed by the Division (Oil Conservation Division Memorandum 2-90). Pre-hearing statements should be filed by 4:00 o'clock p.m., on the Friday before a scheduled hearing.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>F. CARR ATTORNEY FOR ENSERCH EXPLORATION, INC. WFC:mlh Enclosure

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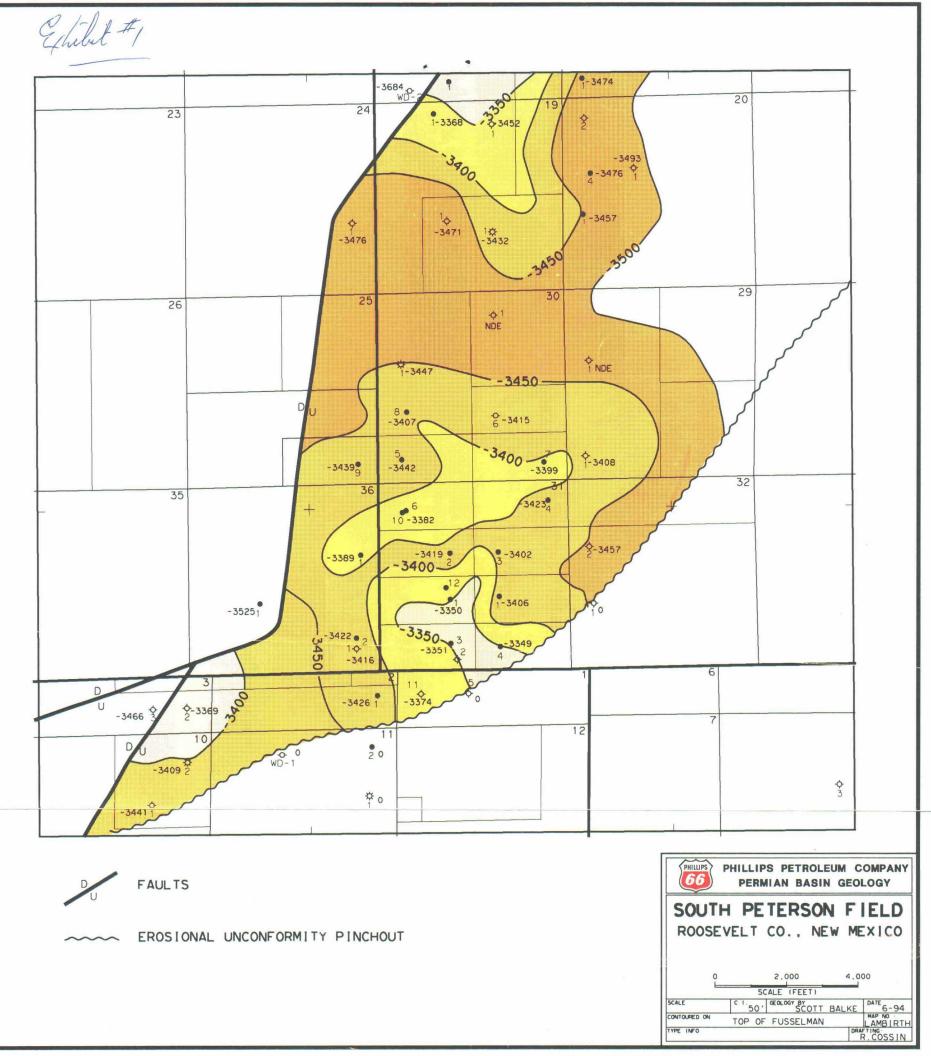
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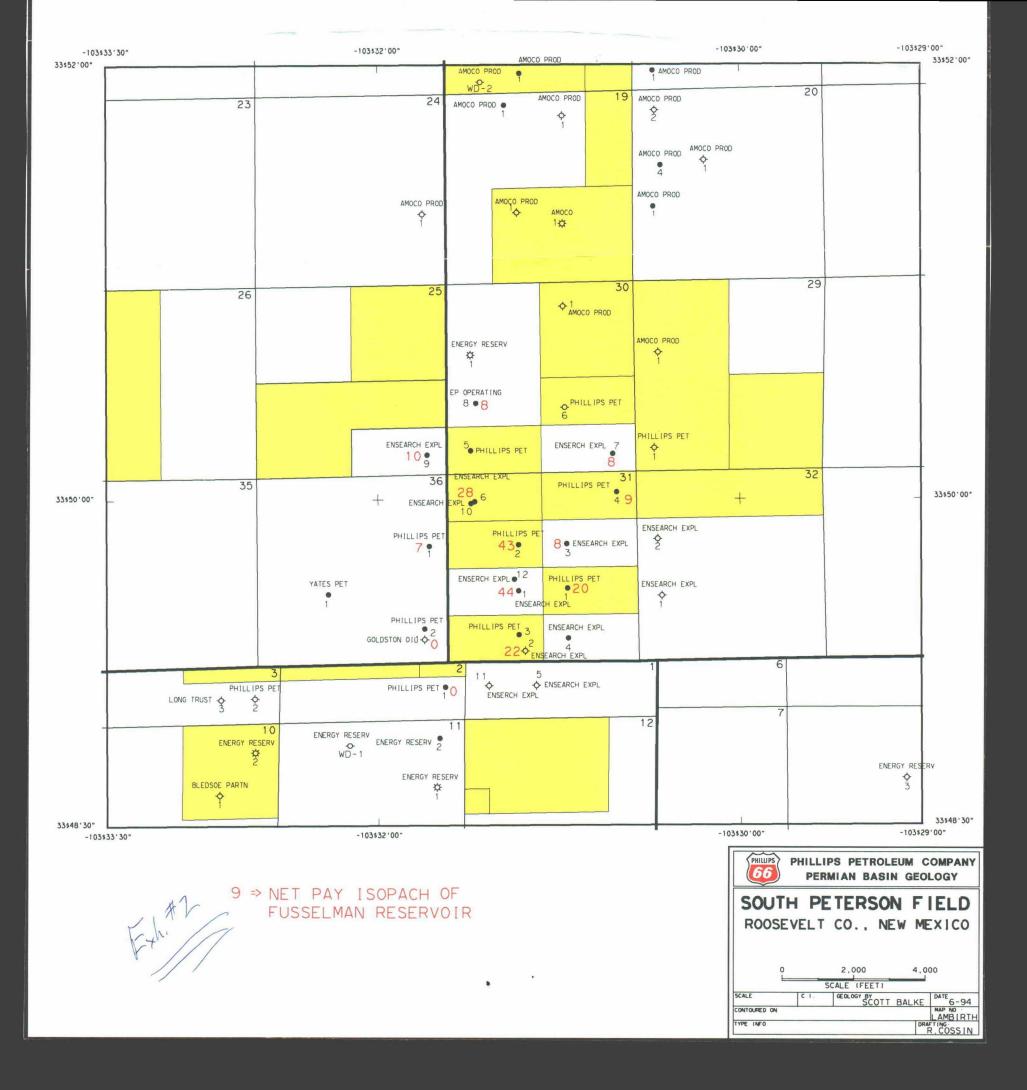
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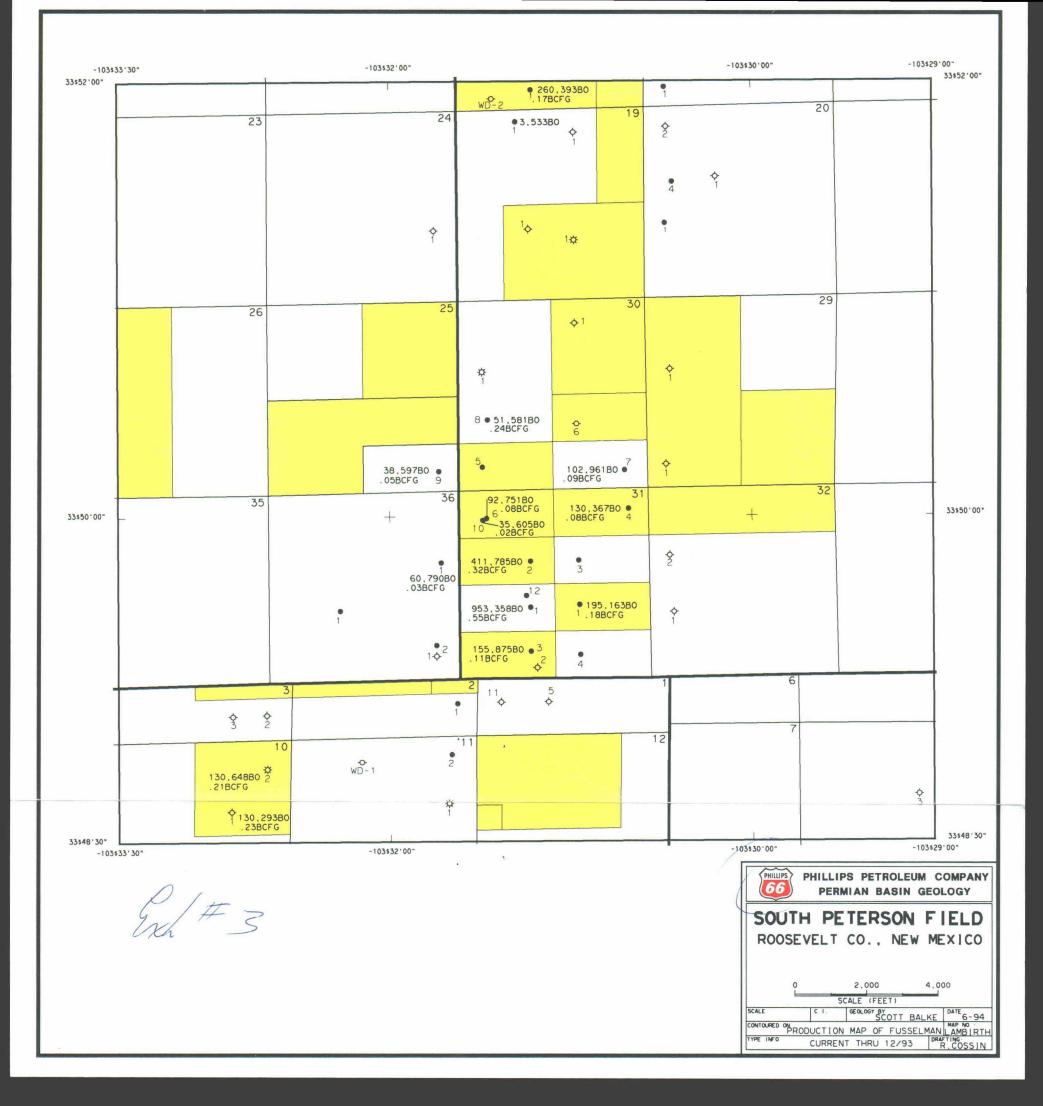


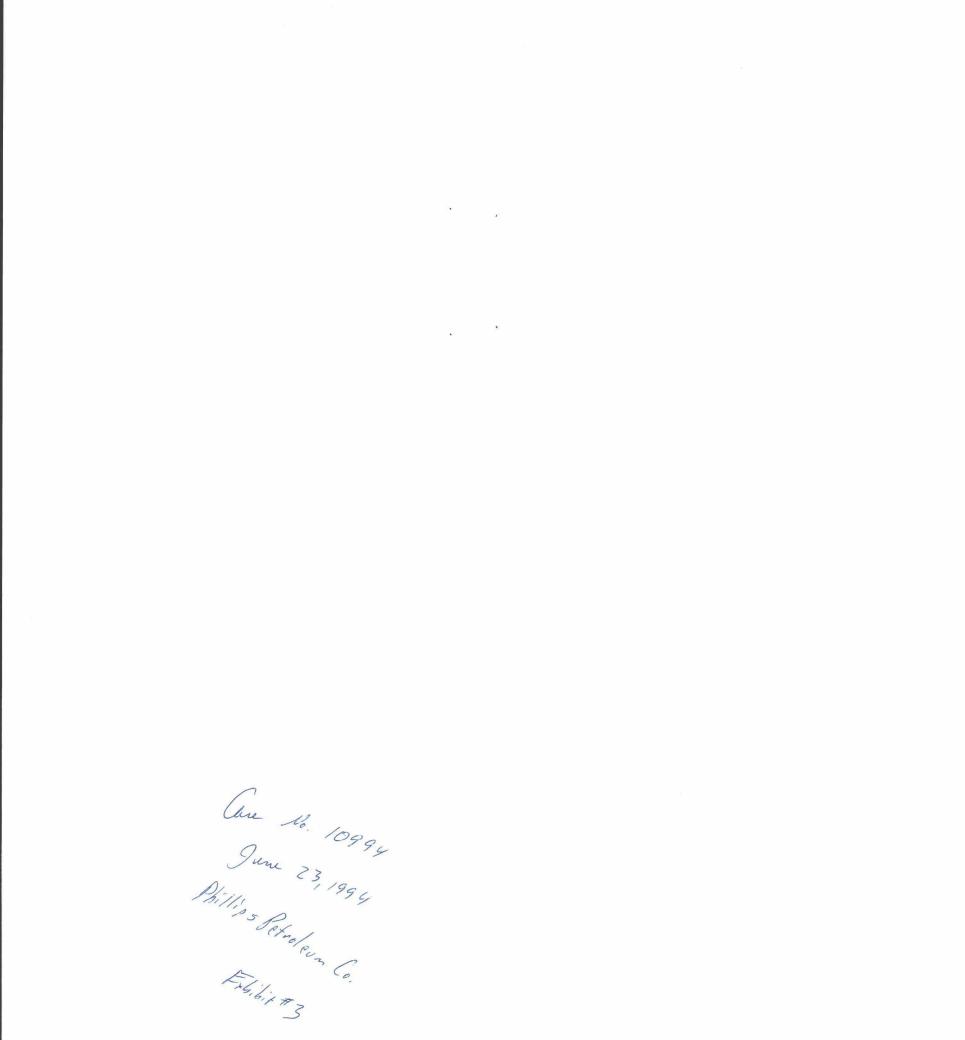


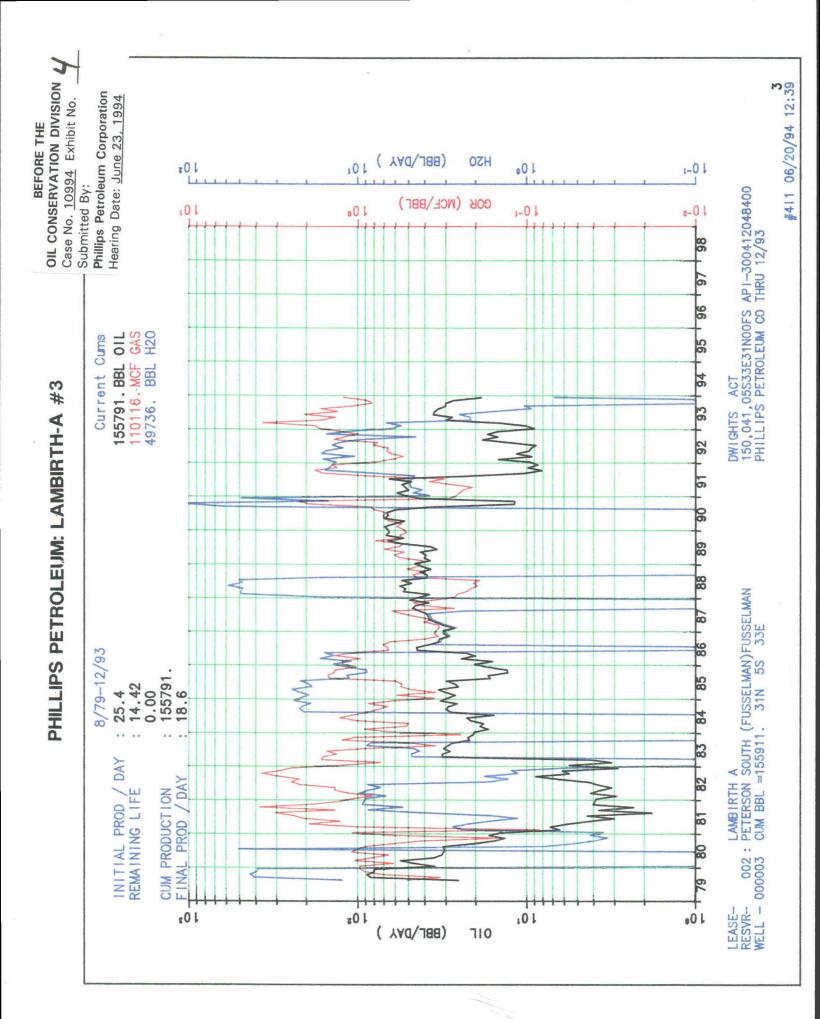
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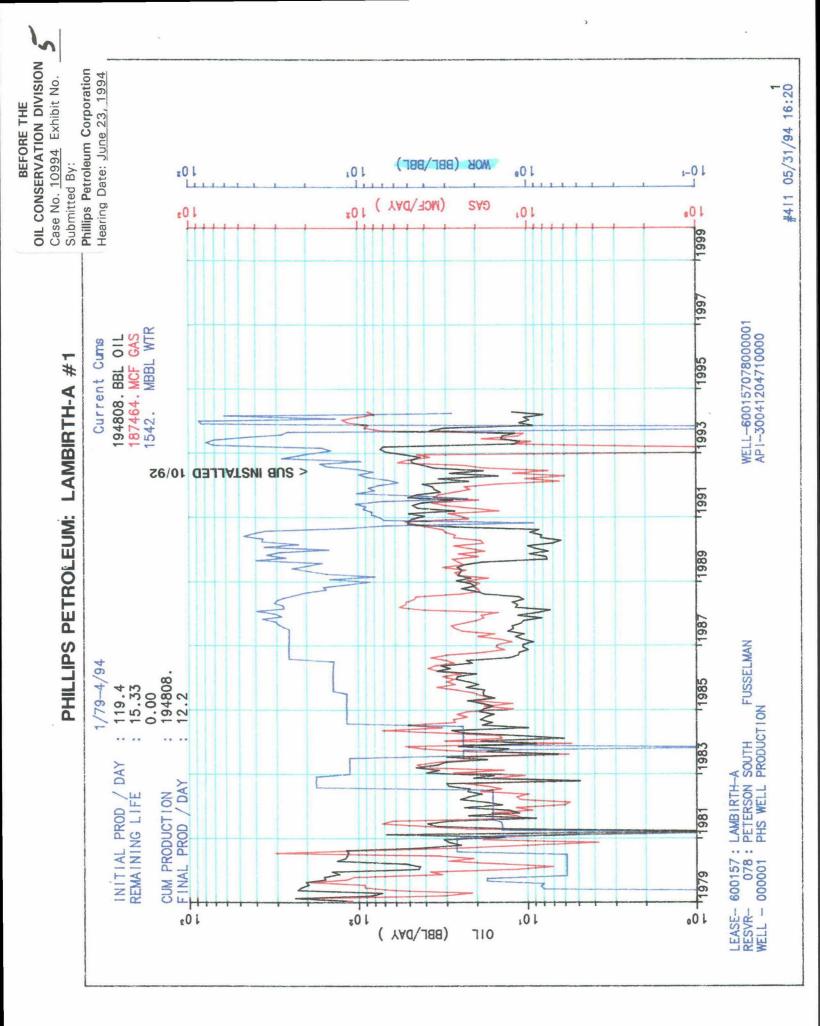


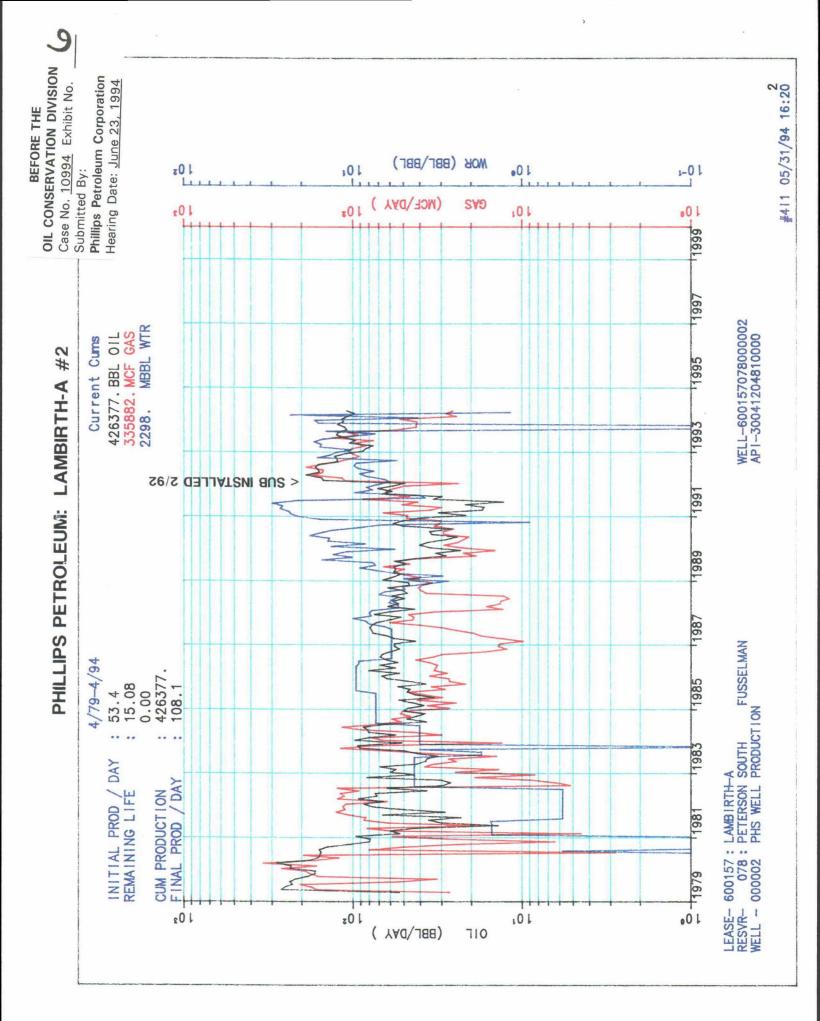
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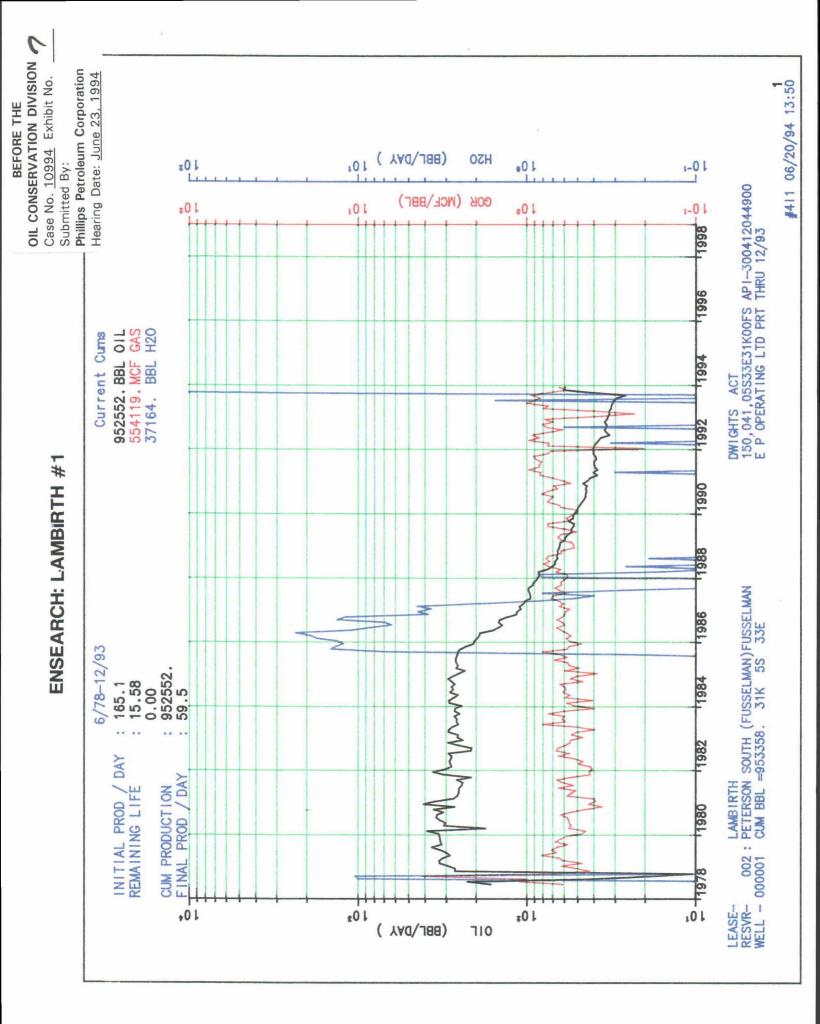












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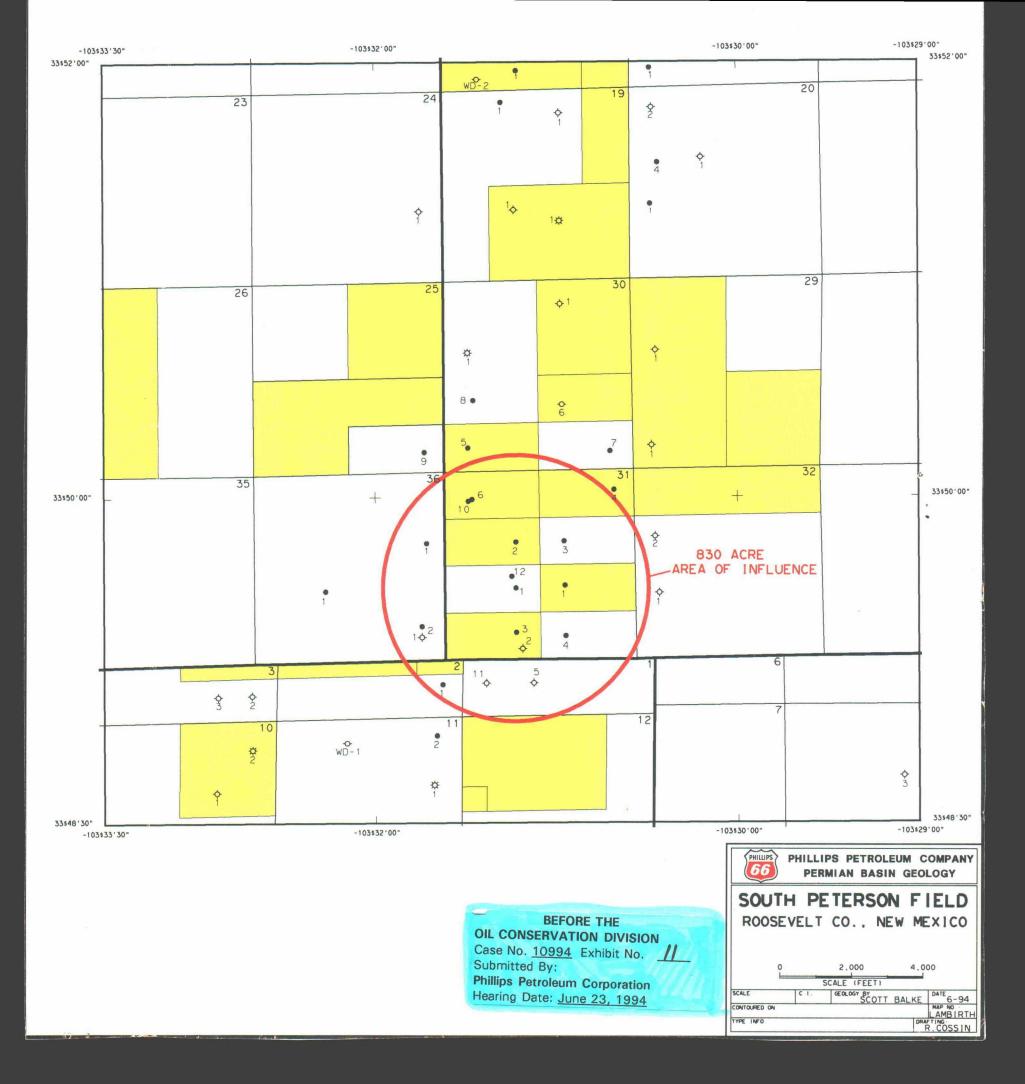
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