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DEA-44 "RESMOD-3" Model Input

INPUT PARAMETER	VALUE		
Drainage Radius	660 feet		
Horizontal length	2,166 feet		
Thickness	40 feet		
Reservoir Pressure Initial shut-in Flowing bottomhole	2,700 psia 600 psia		
Wellbore radius	4.25 inches		
Permeability vertical horizontal	.2 md 2.0 md		
Porosity	18 %		
Oil Viscosity	1.5 cp		
Formation Vol. Factor	1.2		
Initial Oil Saturation	50 %		
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Case No. 11014 Exhibit No. Submitted By: Phillips Petroleum Company Hearing Date: July 7, 1994 This section describes the equations, correlations, and assumptions used in constructing the RESMOD3 reservoir production models. The mathematical symbols, in Section 9, are consistent with those presented in the literature and may differ from those used in the computer program.

## 6.1 DARCY UNITS

Unless stated otherwise, reservoir engineering equations in this report are in Darcy units which are defined by the equation

$$Q = \frac{KA}{\mu} \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta x} \tag{6-1}$$

where

Q = Flow Rate in Cubic Centimeters per Second

A = Cross Sectional Area in Square Centimeters

 $\Delta P$  = Pressure Difference in Atmospheres

 $\Delta x = Distance in Centimeters$ 

 $\mu$  = Viscosity in Centipoise

The constant of proportionality, K, is in darcies. This is a definition.

## 6.2 OIL-FIELD UNITS

Changing from Darcy units to field units requires a conversion constant. The conversion constant for Eq. 6-1 is:

In radial flow equations such as

$$Q = \frac{2\pi Kh(Pe - Pw)}{\mu \ln\left(\frac{r_e}{r_u}\right)}$$
(6-2)

the "2  $\pi$ " is replaced by

 $2 \pi (0.0011272) = 0.0070822$ 

which is sometimes written as



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Field units for Eqs. 6-1 and 6-2 are as follows:

Q	=	Barrels/Day
К	=	Millidarcies
h	=	Feet
Pe and Pw	**	Pounds/Square Inch
$r_e$ and $r_w$	=	Feet
Α	×	Square Feet
$\Delta p / \Delta x$	=	Pounds/Square Inch/Foot

## 6.3 MODEL ASSUMPTIONS

It is important that the user appreciate the limitations and assumptions used in the model so that reasonable alterations to input parameters can be made. The models are explained in detail in the DEA-44 report *Horizontal Reservoir Models*. The most critical parameters are listed below.

## 6.3.1 Homogeneous

In reality, very few reservoir settings are purely homogeneous. Most heterogeneous settings have varying characteristics and can be described reasonably well by a set of "average" parameters. The "average" reservoir parameter inputs are applied over the total drainage area assigned to a vertical well. Thus, where the model is optimistic the parameters such as porosity, permeability and thickness can be varied to better match actual vertical well behavior.

## 6.3.2 Closed Tank

The model assumes a vertical well is draining an assigned radius bounded by no-flow boundaries. This limits the drive energy available and assumes an equal drainage from the total area.

## 6.3.3 Single-Phase Flow

The model deals with single-phase flow only, thus the relative permeability reductions caused by water and/or gas (in the oil case) are disregarded. Methods to account for this might include raising the skin or reducing permeability.

## 6.3.4 Pseudo-Steady State

The model does not consider flush or transient flow production. This can result in an under-estimate of initial production rates when compared to the historic initial vertical well production. Where high flush production exists, it is often better to disregard the early production profile and match the stabilized decline of the vertical wells.

Given an understanding of the assumptions inherent in the DEA-44 screening models, the user can quickly run cases to best match the historic vertical well production.

There will be a number of input parameter combinations which result in a close fit to actual field behavior. Site specific understanding of the reservoir and production behavior will dictate which particular combination is most appropriate for a given field. Having defined a set (or sets) of input parameters which closely match the vertical well behavior, the user can now use the model to predict the productivity of a horizontal well placed in the candidate reservoir.

# 6.3.5 Drainage Area

The model assumes that the horizontal well will drain an ellipse with a minor axis equal to the drainage radius assigned to the vertical well, and a inter-focii distance equal to horizontal well length. The productivity prediction is sensitive to the assigned vertical well drainage radius. The smaller the vertical well drainage radius and the longer the horizontal well length, the higher the productivity improvement predicted for a horizontal well versus a vertical well.

# 6.3.6 Vertical And Horizontal Permeability

With a vertical well, all flow is horizontal so only the horizontal permeability affects flow rate. With a horizontal well, some of the fluid flows vertically through the formation to the horizontal well, so both the vertical and horizontal permeability affect flow rates. The higher the ratio of horizontal to vertical permeability, the lower the predicted flow rate. Most horizontal wells undulate sinusoidally along their length. Thus they tend to cross horizontal permeability barriers (i.e., tight streaks). The model does not consider the localized effects of horizontal permeability barriers, but it does consider different values for horizontal and vertical permeability.

# 6.3.7 <u>Reservoir Pressure</u>

RESMOD3 assumes an equal pressure at the external boundary of the assigned drainage ellipse. The drive energy is limited to volume expansion. Therefore the productivity prediction will not take benefit from access to undrained (i.e., non-depleted) reservoir. Nor will it benefit from exterior pressure support (i.e., natural water drive) or a gravity drainage aspect. In many cases all three of these factors may be in existence.

# 6.3.8 Wellbore Pressure

The model predicts drive energy from the drawdown pressure existing between the reservoir boundary and the wellbore. The current RESMOD3 model does not take into account pressure losses in the wellbore, a factor which may be important in high flow-rate wells (5,000 to 10,000 BPD) or in long heavy-oil wells. The DEA-44 project has developed a program "HOPE" which predicts multiphase-flow pressure drops along segments of the wellbore. In cases where pressure drop may be a concern — "HOPE" can be run to calculate the magnitude of pressure loss along the well length. The wellbore pressure at the midpoint can then be assigned as wellbore pressure to approximate the effect of this factor on horizontal well productivity.

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## 6.3.9 Horizontal Well Length

Although the model assumes uniform inflow along the wellbore length, production logs show that inflow in actual horizontal wells is often not uniform. The more varied the reservoir the more erratic the inflow along the well length. The more laterally variable the reservoir, the more likelihood of a horizontal well accessing "sweet spots" along its length. Drilling technology is constantly improving and statistics indicate that incremental well length is often not a major cost factor in simple completion designs. The user should assign a wellbore length consistent with field boundary and drilling system limitations. Wellbore length sensitivity runs should be made to examine the effect of drilling out of the pay or encountering varying amounts of the productive reservoir.

## 6.3.10 <u>Residual Oil Saturation (Vertical & Horizontal)</u>

The model allows the user to assign different residual oil saturations for the vertical and horizontal wells. Changing the residual oil factor changes the shape of the decline curve, but has no affect on the initial production rate. Vertical well residual saturations should be applied to the horizontal well as a worst case; then increasingly lower horizontal well residual saturations can be applied to identify the sensitivity to this parameter.

## 6.3.11 Skin Factor

Skin damage is the most variable and unknown parameter used by the model. "Skin" in this case applies to both induced and dynamic skin effects. It is treated as a unit of pressure loss and impedes productivity at the same magnitude as would occur in a vertical well. That is, if a skin factor of 1 impedes the vertical well productivity by 20% (versus zero skin), then a skin factor of 1 will impede the horizontal productivity by 20%. The 20% productivity loss is spread equally over the well length. The model allows the user to assign a separate skin value to the horizontal and vertical wells since:

- a) It may be possible to reduce the dynamic skin effect of convergence in a horizontal well in the plane of the well;
- b) Many operators are treating horizontal drilling as a "completion" activity, and are concentrating on reducing the drilling/completions damage or induced skin effect caused by these activities.

The user should first apply the skin value identified in the vertical well production history match. Then run sensitivity cases with higher and lower skin values to identify the magnitude of skin effect on the horizontal well productivity.

## 6.3.12 Drive Mechanisms

1. Oil Depletion-drawdown is assumed to be proportional to remaining producible oil in place resulting in an exponential decline curve:

$$Q(t) = Q(0) \cdot exp(-ct)$$
(6-3)

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This model is based on the work of Giger (1983) and Joshi (1986) as shown in Figure 6-3.



Joshi divided the three-dimensional problem into a pair of two-dimensional problems as shown in Figure 6-4.



Figure 6-4. Three-Dimensional Horizontal Flow Problem (Joshi, 1986)

The flow rate  $q_H$  into this horizontal well equals (Joshi, 1986)

$$q_{\rm H} = \frac{2\pi K_{\rm H} H B \left(P_{\rm e} - P_{\rm w}\right)}{\mu \left[ \ln \left[ \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{2R_{\rm e}}{L}\right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2R_{\rm e}}{L} \right] + \frac{\beta H}{L} \ln \left[ \frac{\beta H}{2\pi R_{\rm w}} \right] \right] \left[ 1 + \frac{S_{\rm H}}{\ln \left(\frac{R_{\rm e}}{R_{\rm w}}\right)} \right]$$
(6-9)

where

$$\beta = \sqrt{K_{\rm H}/K_{\rm v}}$$

K,	=	Vertical Permeability	(md)
K <sub>H</sub>	=	Horizontal Permeability	(md)
L	=	Horizontal Well Length	(ft)

and the other variables were defined in the previous VWELL section.

Additional details on this model are presented in DEA-44 report Horizontal Reservoir Models.



## <u>Production Forecasts</u> <u>From 3 Reservoir Models</u>

<u>Year</u> 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	DEA - 44 Maurer Eng. (BOPD) 971 470 150 60 31 16 11 8 5	Phillips Pet. Horizontal Model (BOPD) 904 392 222 144 71 36 18 9 5	Phillips Pet. Vertical Model (BOPD) 950 445 178 86 43 23 13 7 4
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Ult. Recovery (MBO)	DEA - 44 Maurer Eng. (BOPD) 628	Phillips Pet. Horizontal Model <u>(BOPD)</u> 661	Phillips Pet. Vertical Model <u>(BOPD)</u> 638

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## Production Forecasts Horizontal Well vs. Vertical Well

<u>Year</u> 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	DEA - 44 <u>Maurer Eng.</u> (BOPD) 971 470 150 60 31 16 11 8	Single Vertical <u>Well</u> (BOPD) 187 132 88 58 38 27 16 11	Three Vertical <u>Wells</u> (BOPD) 561 396 264 174 114 81 48 33
9	5	8	24
Ult. Recovery (MBO)	DEA - 44 <u>Maurer Eng.</u> (BOPD) 628	Single Vertical <u>Well</u> (BOPD) 206	Three Vertical <u>Wells</u> (BOPD) 619

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Velocity	= <u>Flowrate</u> = <u>Q</u> Cross Sectional Area A
Velocity Ratio	$= \frac{\text{Velocity}_{\text{VERT}}}{\text{Velocity}_{\text{HORIZ}}} = \frac{(Q/A)_{\text{VERT}}}{(Q/A)_{\text{HORIZ}}} = \frac{(Q_{\text{VERT}})(A_{\text{HORIZ}})}{(Q_{\text{HORIZ}})(A_{\text{VERT}})}$
A <sub>horiz</sub> A <sub>vert</sub>	<pre>= (Circumference) * (Length) = (Circumference) * (Pay Thickness)</pre>
$\frac{A_{HORIZ}}{A_{VERT}}$	Length = Pay
Q <sub>vertical</sub> PAY	= 300 BOPD $Q_{HORIZONTAL} = 1600 BOPD$ = 60' Length = 2166'
Velocity Ratio Velocity Ratio	$= \frac{300}{1600} \times \frac{2166}{60}$ = 6.8

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Also note that for a Rectangular area,  $\frac{2x_0}{x_0} = \frac{4\pi a_0}{x_0}$ 

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# JAMES E #9 HORIZ. WELL RATE - TIME ANALYSIS



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## Production Forecasts Test Period and Over Production

Month	Production If Test Period Is Granted (BOPD)	Project Allowable (BOPD)	Monthly Over Production ( MBO )	Cumulative Overage (MBO)
1	1600	561	31	31
2	1425	561	26	57
3	1275	561	21	78
4	1150	561	18	96
5	1050	561	15	111
6	950	561	12	123
7	850	561	8	131
8	775	561	6	137
9	700	561	4	141
10	650	561	3	144
11	625	561	2	146
12	600	561	1	147

Year One Summary

Total Production: 352 MBO Annual Allowable: 205 MBO (561 BOPD \* 365 days) Over production: 147 MBO

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## STATE OF MEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 11014

Application of Phillips Petroleum Company for a High/Angle Horizontal Direction Drilling Project, Eddy County New Mexico.

# CERTIFICATE OF MAILING AND COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER R-8054

W. THOMAS KELLAHIN, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Phillips Petroleum company, states that the notice provisions of Division Rule 1207 (Order R-8054) have been complied with, that Applicant has caused to be conducted a good faith diligent effort to find the correct addresses of all interested parties entitled to receive notice, that of the 15th day of June 1994, I caused to be mailed by certified mail return-receipt requested notice of this hearing and a copy of the application for the referenced case along with the cover letter, at least twenty days prior to the hearing set for July 7, 1994, to the parties shown in the application as evidence by the attached copies of return receipt cards, and that pursuant to Division Rule 1207, notice has been given at the correct addresses provided by such rule.

W. Thomas Kellahin

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 6th day of July 1994.

My Commission Expires: June 15, 1998

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