

**TEXACO
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NANETTE J. CRAWFORD
ATTORNEY

August 23, 1990

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Mr. Michael Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer
State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
State Land Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

10096

Re: Texaco's Application for Exception to Rule 104
West Dollarhide Drinkard
Unit Well Nos. 109, 110, 111 and 112

Dear Mr. Stogner:

By letter dated June 14, 1990, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience, Texaco requested administrative approval for the referenced application. Because this application can not be administratively approved, Texaco requests that this matter be set for hearing on September 19, 1990.

In addition, Texaco has decided to drop its application as it relates to Well Nos. 109 and 110. Texaco will continue to pursue the application only as it relates to Well Nos. 111 and 112.

Pursuant to the original June 14 letter, all affected offset operators have been notified of the application and will be notified of the September 19 hearing date.

Very truly yours,



Nanette J. Crawford

NJC:jl
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Wm. Kerr, Campbell & Black
(Via Rapifax)

Mr. Wm. Phillips, Midland Producing

OE



Texaco USA
Producing Department
Midland Division

PO Box 3109
Midland TX 79702-3109

June 14, 1990

GOV - STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Unorthodox Locations

West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit
Well Nos. 109, 110, 111, 112
Lea County, New Mexico

State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501-2088

Case 10096

Attention: Mr. Michael E. Stogner

Gentlemen:

An exception, by administrative approval, to Rule 104 F.I. is requested for Texaco Producing Inc.'s West Dollarhide Drinkard Unit Well Nos. 109, 110, 111 & 112. Please note that Well Nos. 109 & 110 are on Federal Land. The wells are located as follows:

~~Well No. 109:~~ 110' FNL & 155' FEL, Sec. 33, T-24-S, R-38-E
Affected offset operator: Oxy
~~Well No. 110:~~ 1330' FNL & 155' FEL, Sec. 33, T-24-S, R-38-E
Affected offset operator: Oxy
✓ Well No. 111: 2630' FSL & 130' FEL, Sec. 33, T-24-S, R-38-E
Affected offset operators: Oxy & Union
✓ Well No. 112: 54' FNL & 130' FEL, Sec. 4, T-25-S, R-38-E
Affected offset operator: Union

The wells must be drilled in these locations to ensure proper development on 10-acre spacing. Wells drilled previously on 10-acre spacing have proven to be viable wells. These wells will be completed in the Drinkard formation.

The "affected offset operators" have been notified of this request. Attached are Forms C-102 for each well, offset operators list with proof of notification, and a lease plat showing the location of each well.

Yours very truly,

C. P. Basham
Drilling Superintendent
on Behalf of Texaco Producing Inc.

CWH:cwh
Attachments

cc: NMOCD, P. O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240
BLM, P. O. Box 1778 Carlsbad, NM 88220

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

Form C-102
Supersedes C-128
Effective 1-1-65

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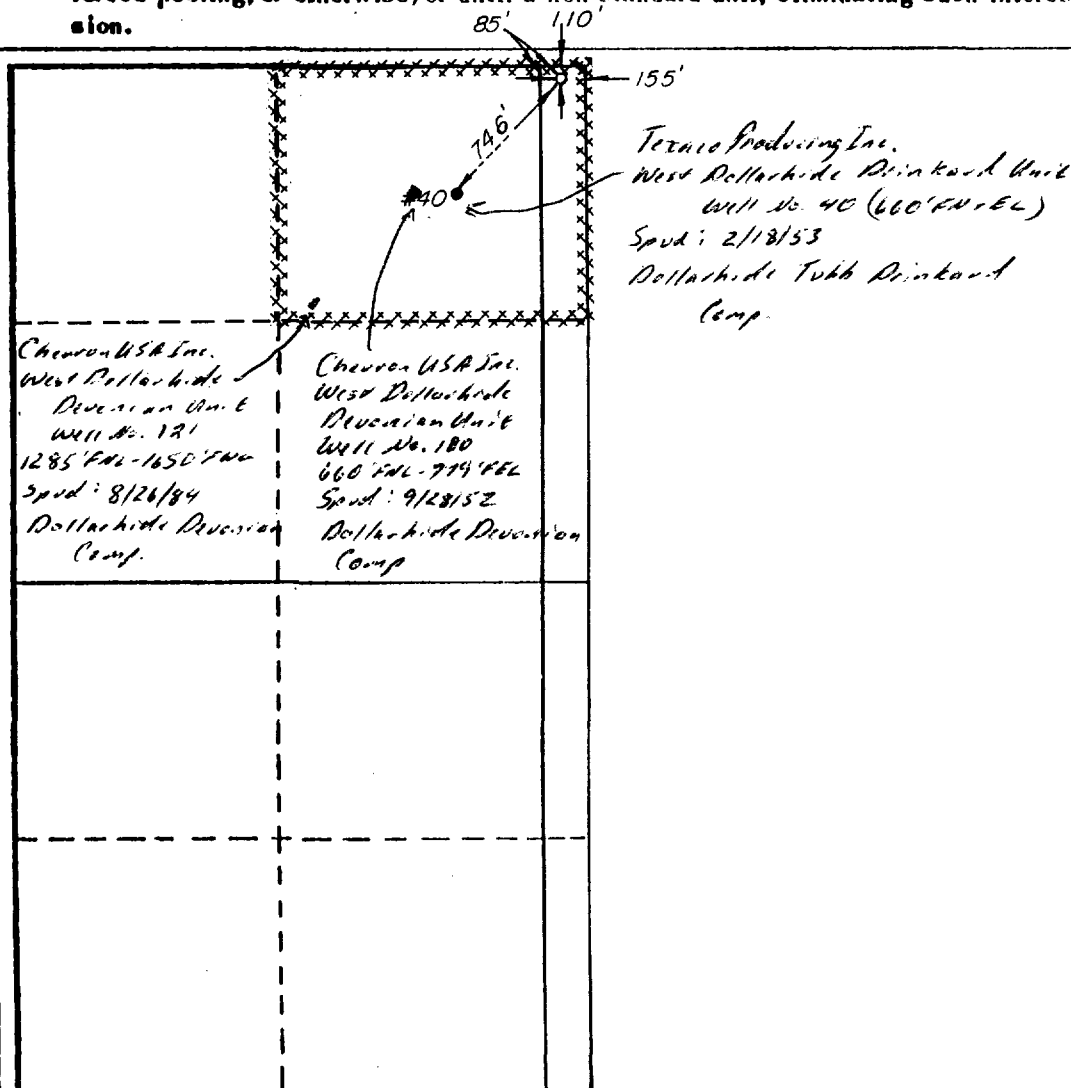
Operator TEXACO PRODUCING INC.		Lease WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT		Well No. 109
Unit Letter B	Section 33	Township 24 SOUTH	Range 38 EAST	County LEA
Actual Footage Location of Well: 110 feet from the NORTH line and 155 feet from the EAST line				
Ground Level Elev. 3181'	Producing Formation (ABO 8) TUBB DRINKARD(DRINKARD)	Pool DOLLARHIDE TUBB DRINKARD	Dedicated Acreage: 47.21 Acres	

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hatchure marks on the plat below.
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc?

☒ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation UNITIZATION

If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.)

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. D. Mariott
Name

R. D. MARIOTT

Position

DIVISION SURVEYOR

Company

TEXACO PRODUCING INC.

Date

MAY 21, 1990

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MAY 21, 1990

Date Surveyed

Richard B. Duniven

Registered Professional Engineer and/or Land Surveyor

Richard B. Duniven

Certificate No.

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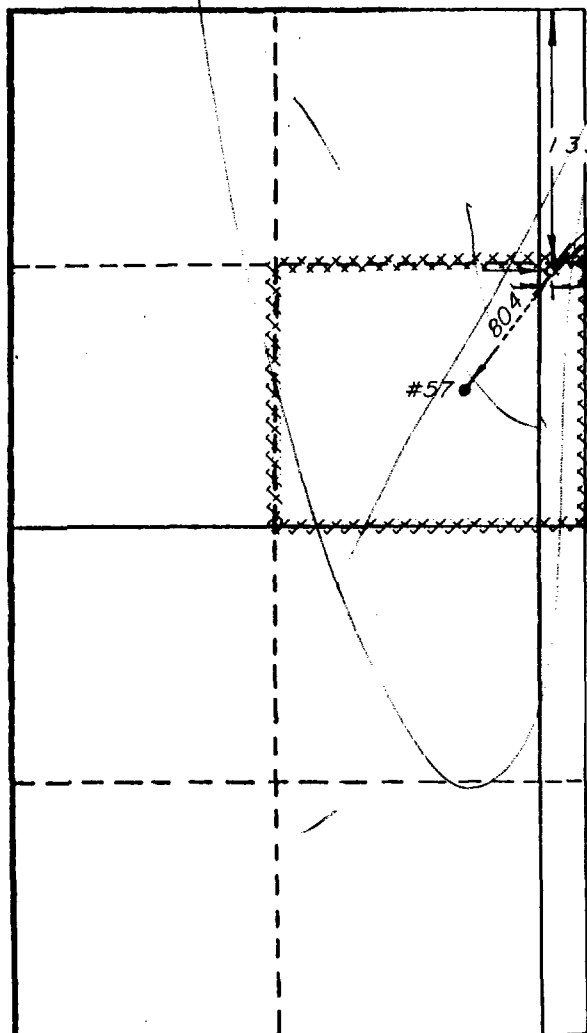
Operator TEXACO PRODUCING INC.		Lease WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT		Well No. 110
Unit Letter G	Section 33	Township 24 SOUTH	Range 38 EAST	County LEA
Actual Footage Location of Well: 1330 feet from the NORTH line and 155 feet from the EAST line				
Ground Level Elev. 3185	Producing Formation (ABO 8) TUBB DRINKARD(DRINKARD)	Pool DOLLARHIDE TUBB DRINKARD	Dedicated Acreage 47.24 Acres	

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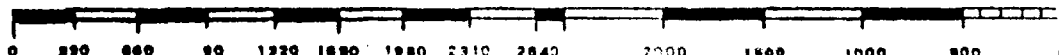
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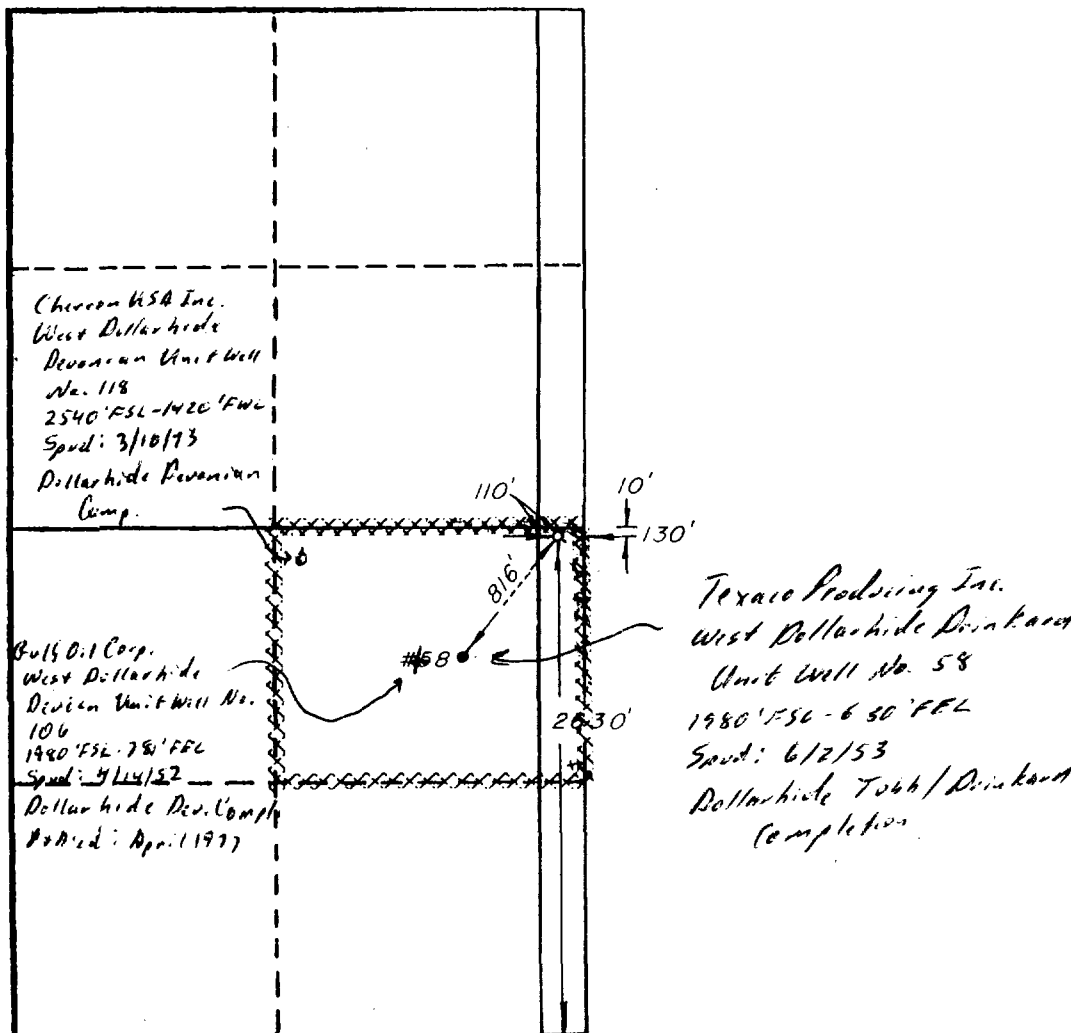
Operator TEXACO PRODUCING INC.		Lease WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT		Well No. 111
Unit Letter J	Section 33	Township 24 SOUTH	Range 38 EAST	County LEA
Actual Footage Location of Well: 2630 feet from the SOUTH line and 130 feet from the EAST line				
Ground Level Elev. 3180'	Producing Formation (ABO 8) TUBB DRINKARD(DRINKARD)	Pool DOLLARHIDE TUBB DRINKARD	Dedicated Acreage 47.26 Acres	

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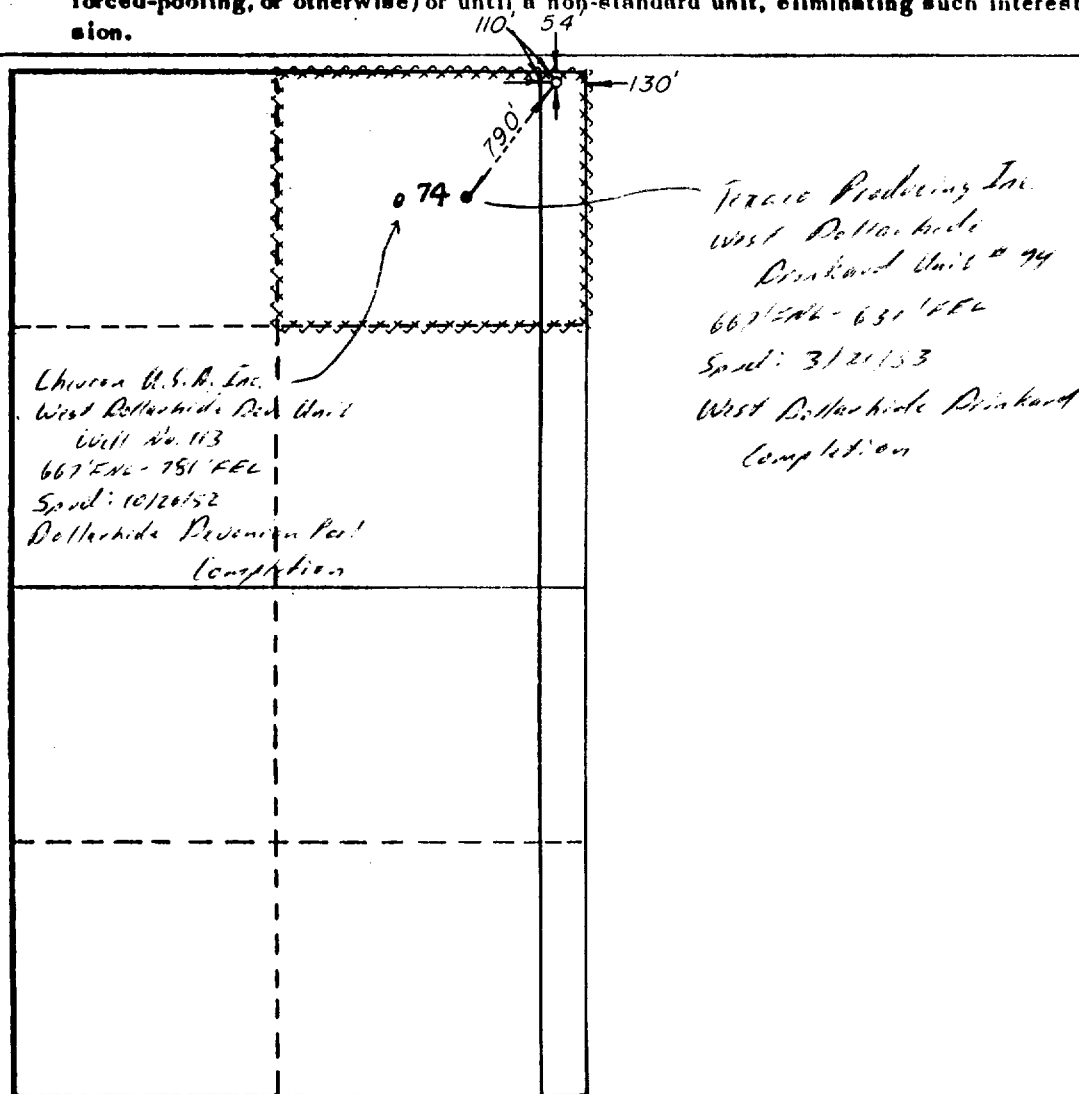
Operator TEXACO PRODUCING INC.		Lease WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT		Well No. 112
Unit Letter B	Section 4	Township 25 SOUTH	Range 38 EAST	County LEA
Actual Footage Location of Well: 54 feet from the NORTH line and 130 feet from the EAST line				
Ground Level Elev. 3165'	Producing Formation (ABO 8) TUBB DRINKARD(DRINKARD)	Pool DOLLARHIDE TUBB DRINKARD	Dedicated Acreage 47.36 Acres	

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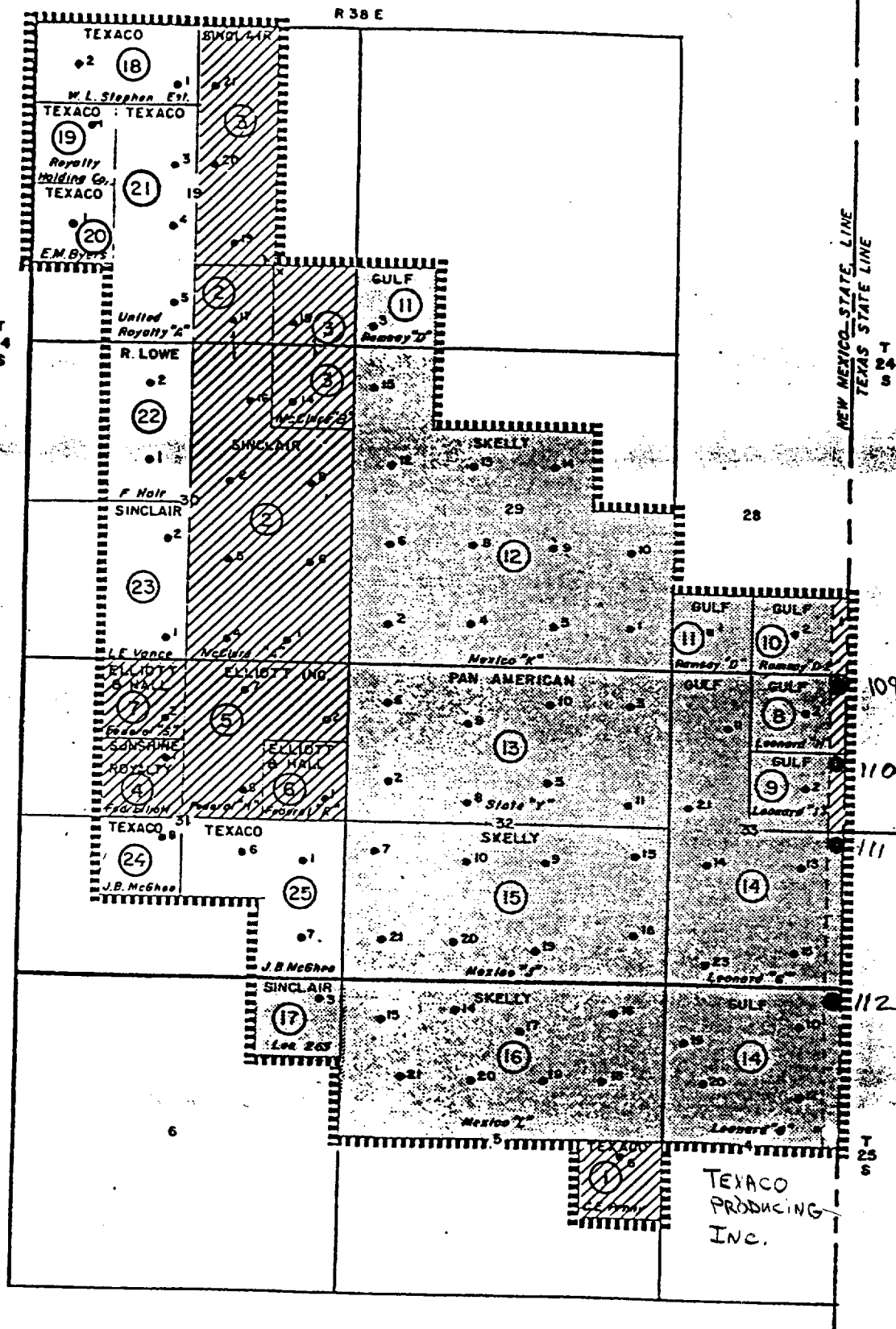
WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT

WELL NOS. 109, 110, 111, 112

"AFFECTED OFFSET OPERATORS"

Union Oil Company of California
P. O. Box 3100
Midland, Texas 79702

Oxy USA Inc.
~~6 Dosta Dr.~~ P.O. Box 50250
Midland, Texas 79705
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WEST DOLLARHIDE DRINKARD UNIT
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

EXHIBIT "A"

Legend

- UNIT BOUNDARY
- FEDERAL LANDS
- STATE LANDS
- FEE LANDS
- TRACT NUMBER

"AFFECTED ACREAGE"

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PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SEPTEMBER 19, 1990, EXAMINER HEARING WILL BE HELD IN THE STATE HIGHWAY AUDITORIUM, 1120 CERRILLOS ROAD, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO.

DOCKET NO. 26-90

Dockets Nos. 28-90 and 29-90 are tentatively set for October 3, 1990 and October 17, 1990. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19, 1990

**8:15 A.M. - STATE HIGHWAY AUDITORIUM, 1120 CERRILLOS ROAD,
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

The following cases will be heard before David R. Catanach, Examiner, or Michael E. Stogner, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 10089: Application of Merrion Oil & Gas Corporation to amend the special rules and regulations for the Dufers Point Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks a revision of the special rules and regulations for the Dufers Point Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-7435, to increase the limiting gas/oil ratio to 5000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Said pool is located in Townships 24, 25 and 26 North, Ranges 8 and 9 West.

CASE 10090: Application of Yates Energy Corporation for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Bone Spring formation underlying the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 31 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 40-acre spacing (which presently includes the Undesignated Tamano-San Andres and Undesignated Tamano-Bone Spring Pools). Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is approximately 5.5 miles south by west of New Mexico State Highway No. 529's intersection with the Lea/Eddy County line.

CASE 10067: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Bird Creek Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Delaware formation or to a depth of 6,250 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for either the Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool or Undesignated South Loving-Delaware Pool, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Loving, New Mexico.

CASE 10091: Application of Bird Creek Resources, Inc. for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Delaware formation or to a depth of 6250 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the NW/4 SE/4 (Unit J) of Section 15, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, forming a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools within said vertical extent developed on 40-acre oil spacing, which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Loving-Cherry Canyon Pool and Undesignated East Loving-Delaware Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 2 miles east-northeast of Loving, New Mexico.

CASE 10055: (Readvertised)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit, an unorthodox coal gas well location, and directional drilling, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for its Payne Well No. 271, to be drilled 65 feet from the North line and 300 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, Cedar Hill-Fruitland Basal Coal Pool, Lots 1 through 8 (E/2 equivalent) of said Section 27 to be dedicated to said well to form a non-standard 305.03-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool. ALTERNATELY, the applicant seeks to directionally drill said well from the above-described surface location to a standard bottomhole coal gas well location within the NE/4 equivalent of said Section 27. Said unit is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Cedar Hill, New Mexico.

CASE 10056: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Meridian Oil, Inc. for three non-standard gas proration units, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Rule 6 of Division Order No. R-8768 to establish three non-standard gas spacing and proration units for Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool production in Irregular Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, and 30, Township 31 North, Range 8 West. Said row of Sections are located approximately 8.5 miles northwest of the Navajo Reservoir Dam.

CASE 10066: (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Matador Petroleum Corporation for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests from the surface to the base of the Morrow formation or to a depth of 13,600 feet, whichever is deeper, underlying the following described acreage in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, and in the following manner: Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) to form a standard 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 320-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated Quail Ridge-Morrow Gas Pool); Lots 3 and 4 and the S/2 NW/4 (NW/4 equivalent) to form a standard 160-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 160-acre spacing within said vertical extent; and the SW/4 NW/4 to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for any and all formations and/or pools developed on 40-acre spacing within said vertical extent (which presently includes but is not necessarily limited to the Undesignated South Quail Ridge-Bone Spring Pool). Said units are to be dedicated to a single well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit underlies the area underneath Mile Marker No. 77 on U.S. Highway 62/180.

CASE 10092: Application of Chevron U.S.A., Inc. for acreage rededication, two non-standard gas proration units, simultaneous dedication, and two unorthodox gas well locations, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval to rededicate certain Eumont Gas Pool acreage in portions of Sections 4 and 9, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, thereby forming: a 160-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for said pool comprising Lots 12 and 13 and the W/2 SW/4 of said Section 4, to be simultaneously dedicated to its existing Bell Ramsay NCT-A Well No. 5 located at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South and West lines (Unit U) and to Well No. 8 located at an unorthodox gas well location 3258 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit L) both in said Section 4; and, a 240-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit comprising the NW/4 and E/2 SW/4 of said Section 9, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit M) of said Section 9. Said area is located approximately 1 mile west of Oil Center, New Mexico.

CASE 9962: (Continued and Readvertised)

Application of Stevens & Tull, Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks blanket approval for the downhole commingling of Abo, Drinkard, Tubb and Blinbry production in the wellbore of all existing wells and all wells subsequently drilled on its Carter "23" Prospect acreage, which includes the N/2 SE/4 of Section 23, Township 20 South, Range 38 East. Said area is located approximately 4.75 miles south by east of Nadine, New Mexico.

CASE 10031: (Readvertised) (Continued from September 5, 1990, Examiner Hearing.)

Application of Nearburg Producing Company for a non-standard oil proration unit, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an 80-acre non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 NE/4 of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Undesignated North Dagger Draw-Upper Pennsylvanian Pool. Said unit is to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard oil well location thereon. Said unit is located approximately 9 miles west by south of Lakewood, New Mexico.

CASE 10093: Application of Nearburg Producing Company for compulsory pooling and a non-standard gas proration unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Morrow formation underlying all of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 36 East, forming a 636.79-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit for the North Osudo-Morrow Gas Pool, said unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said unit is located approximately 8.5 miles west by south of Monument, New Mexico.

CASE 10094: Application of Chevron U.S.A., Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for an unorthodox oil well location for its Lea "YL" Tate Well No. 2 to be drilled 2230 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 2, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, Shipp-Strawn Pool, the W/2 SE/4 of said Section 2 to be dedicated to said well forming a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool. Said unit is located approximately 4.5 miles north of Humble City, New Mexico.

CASE 10095: Application of Texaco Inc. for salt water disposal, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to dispose of produced salt water into the Moore-Devonian and Moore Permo-Pennsylvanian Pools through the perforated interval from approximately 10,440 feet to 10,700 feet in its New Mexico 80 State Well No. 2 located 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 32 East, which is located approximately 3.25 miles southeast by south of Caprock, New Mexico.

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