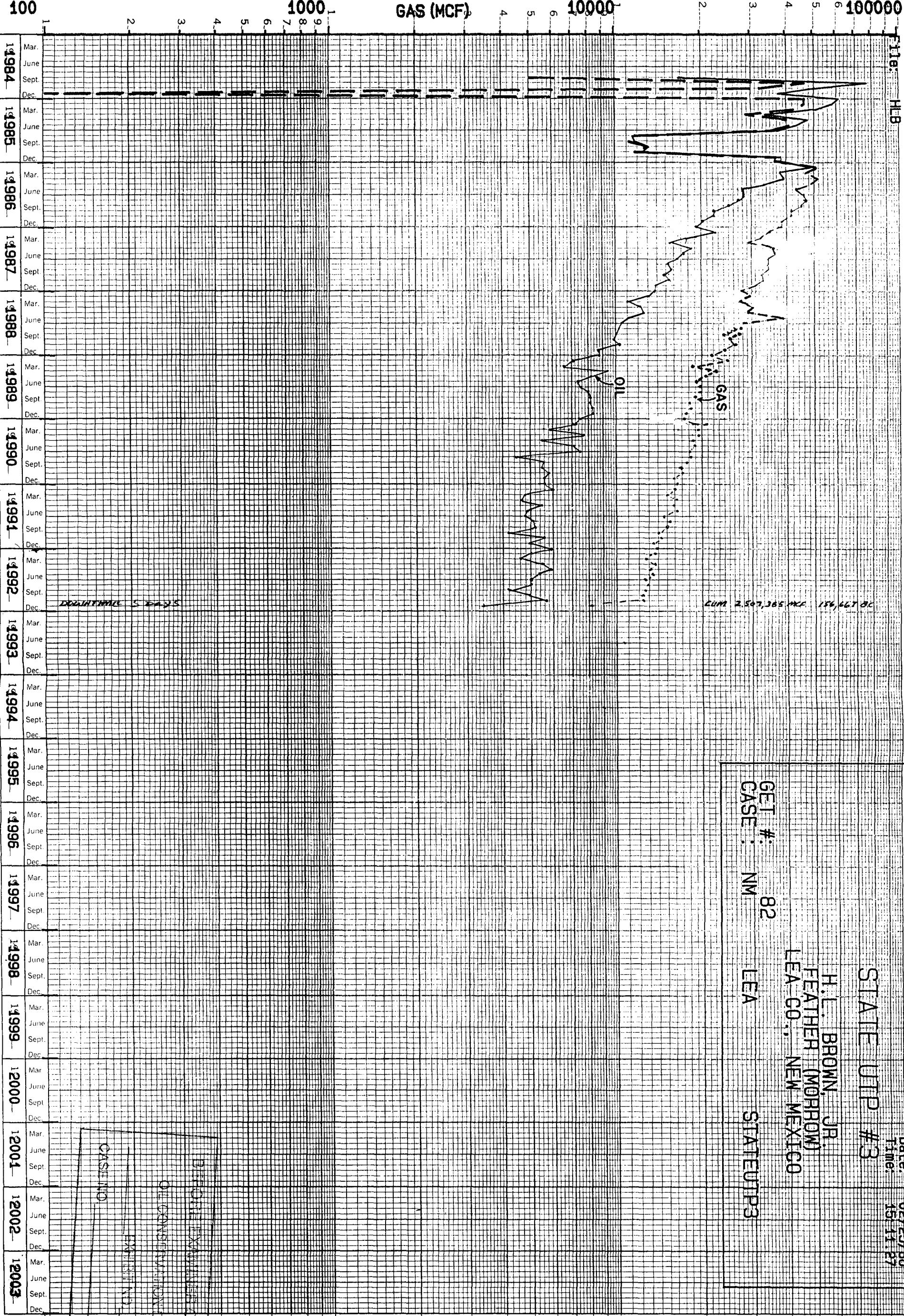


STATE UTP #3  
H.L. BROWN, JR.  
FEATHER (MORROW)  
LEA CO., NEW MEXICO

GET #: 82  
CASE: NM LEA STATEUTP3

GAS (MCF)



DIPLOLE EXPLORATION DIVISION  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
CASSINO  
EXPLORATION  
19

**COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

Phone (505) 827-5760

Fax (505) 827-5766

**ADMINISTRATION**

Phone (505) 827-5700

Fax (505) 827-5853

**GENERAL COUNSEL**

Phone (505) 827-5713

Fax (505) 827-4262

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Phone (505) 827-1245

Fax (505) 827-5766



*10,649*

**COMMERCIAL RESOURCES**

Phone (505) 827-5724

Fax (505) 827-6157

**MINERAL RESOURCES**

Phone (505) 827-5744

Fax (505) 827-4739

**ROYALTY MANAGEMENT**

Phone (505) 827-5772

Fax (505) 827-4739

**SURFACE RESOURCES**

Phone (505) 827-5793

Fax (505) 827-5711

**New Mexico State Land Office  
Commissioner of Public Lands  
Ray Powell, M.S., D.V.M.**

January 15, 2002

H. L. Brown Operating, L. L. C.  
P.O. Box 2237  
Midland, Texas 79702-2237

Attn: Mr. Q. Peter Courtney

2002 Plan of Development  
North Feather State Unit  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Courtney:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has, of this date, approved the above-captioned Plan of Development. Our approval is subject to like approval by all other appropriate agencies.

The possibility of drainage by wells outside of the unit area and the need for further development of the unit may exist. You may be contacted at a later date regarding these possibilities.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:

JAMI BAILEY, Director  
Oil, Gas and Minerals Division  
(505) 827-5744

RP/JB/cpm  
xc: Reader File

OCD



State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE

Commissioner of Public Lands

Santa Fe

RAY B. POWELL  
COMMISSIONER

P.O. BOX 1148  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

October 13, 1993

H. L. Brown, Jr.  
P. O. Box 2237  
Midland, Texas 79702-2237

Attn: Ms. Dianne Sumrall

Re: North Feather State Unit Well No. 1  
Commercial Well Determination  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Sumrall:

This office is in receipt of your letter of September 14, 1993. Included with your letter was a well completion report, commercial determination and a plan of development for the North Feather State Unit.

Please be advised that, according to the data submitted, the Commissioner of Public Lands concurs with your determination that the North Feather State Unit Well No. 1 is a commercial well in the Morrow formation. This well is located in the SE/4NE/4 of Section 16, Township 15 South, Range 32 East.

In addition, please also be advised that the Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved your 1993 Plan of Development. Such plan advises that H. L. Brown, Jr. has no immediate plans for further development in the unit.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

RAY B. POWELL, M.S., D.V.M.  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: *Floyd O. Prando*  
FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director  
Oil/Gas and Minerals Division  
(505) 827-5744  
RBP/FOP/pm  
cc: Reader File  
OCD  
TRD



State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE

Commissioner of Public Lands

Santa Fe

P.O. BOX 1148  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER

January 27, 1993

H. L. Brown, Jr.  
P.O. Box 2237  
Midland, Texas 79702-2237

Attention: Mr. Q. Peter Courtney

Re: Final Approval  
North Feather State Unit  
T15S, R32E; S $\frac{1}{2}$  Section 9, N $\frac{1}{2}$  Section 16  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Courtney:

This office is in receipt of your letter of January 22, 1993, requesting final approval of the North Feather State Unit, Lea County, New Mexico. It is our understanding that all tracts are committed to the unit agreement.

Please be advised that the Commissioner of Public Lands has this date granted final approval to the North Feather State Unit Agreement, Lea County, New Mexico, and is effective January 27, 1993.

Specifically, as a condition of final approval of the proposed 640-acre unit consisting of the S/2 of Section 9 and the N/2 of Section 16, T15S, R32E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, H. L. Brown, Jr., as operator, commits to the drilling of the initial unit well to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow formation at a location within the S/2NE/4 of Section 16, and that within six (6) months after the completion date of the initial unit well as a commercial producer, the operator shall commence drilling a second well within the N/2 of Section 16. If the second well is not timely commenced, the unit area will be contracted to exclude the NW/4 of Section 16 from the unit area.

Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Enclosed are Five (5) Certificates of Approval.

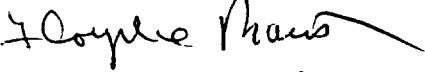
H. L. Brown, Jr.  
January 27, 1993  
Page 2

Your filing fee in the amount of Sixty (\$60.00) Dollars has been received.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY:   
FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director  
Oil/Gas and Minerals Division  
(505) 827-5744  
JB/FOP/pm  
encls.

cc: Reader File  
W. Thomas Kellahin  
OCD  
TRD

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



BRUCE KING  
GOVERNOR

POST OFFICE BOX 2088  
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504  
(505) 827-5800

January 14, 1993

KELLAHIN, KELLAHIN & AUBREY  
Attorneys at Law  
P. O. Drawer 2265  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE: CASE NO. 10649  
ORDER NO. R-9830

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of the above-referenced Division order recently entered in the subject case.

Sincerely,

*Sally E. Leichtle*  
Sally E. Leichtle  
Administrative Secretary

cc: BLM - Carlsbad



JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER

State of New Mexico

OFFICE OF THE

Commissioner of Public Lands

Santa Fe

P.O. BOX 1148  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

November 16, 1992

H. L. Brown, Jr.  
P. O. Box 2237  
Midland, Texas 79702-2237

Attn: Mr. Q. Peter Courtney

Re: Proposed North Feather State Unit  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Courtney:

This office is in receipt of your application letter of November 6, 1992, requesting preliminary approval of the proposed North Feather State Unit Area, Lea County, New Mexico.

We regret to inform you that it is our opinion that your proposal, as presented, to unitize the North Feather State Unit area is not in the best interests of the State of New Mexico.

In your geological report you advise that the "Morrow Formation within the proposed unit area is expected to be highly discontinuous, of irregular size and shape such that a single Morrow well should be able to adequately deplete the Morrow reservoir." Also, your letter does not substantiate your claim of how a single well can adequately deplete the Morrow reservoir in this unit nor support your contention that the existing 40-acre spacing is wasteful and will lead to the drilling of unnecessary wells that are too close together.

In addition, our records also reveal that the proposed location of the initial test well falls within 1/2 mile of the Feather-Morrow Pool as classified by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and is to be developed on 40-acre spacing units. Unless you have plans to change the OCD's well spacing requirements for this pool, the Commissioner will expect one well per legal spacing unit to be drilled until the unitized area is fully developed.

H.L. Brown, Jr.  
November 16, 1992  
Page 2

In view of the above, we feel that we can not grant preliminary approval to your proposed unit, as presented, at this time.

Enclosed is your filing fee in the amount of \$60.00 and the paperwork regarding your proposal.

We will be glad to review a revised presentation of this project when recompleted. If you have any questions, or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

JIM BACA  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

BY: *Don Bailey for FOP*  
FLOYD O. PRANDO, Director  
Oil/Gas and Minerals Division  
(505) 827-5744  
JB/FOP/pm  
encls.

cc: Reader File  
OCD-Santa Fe