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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. 3ox 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Ro: Application for Single Tubingless Completion, State of New Mexico "AE" Well No. 16, Vacuum (Abo Reef) Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

ATTENTION: Sr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Gentlemen:

TEXACO Inc. respectfully requests administrative approval of an exception to New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rule 107 (e) for State of New Mexico "AE" Well No. 16. This well is a proposed single tubingless completion in the Vacuum (Abo Reef) Pool, and is located 660 feet from the north line and 1980 feet from the west line of Section 11, T-18-S, R-34-D, Lea County, New Mexico.

The production casing string will consist of 2-7/8" 0.0. tubing set at approximately 9050 feet in a 7-5/8" hole. Completion will be through perforations from approximately 8900 feet to 9000 feet in the Vacuum (Abo Reef) formation. Corrosion has not been encountered but paraffin deposition has existed in the top 2000 feet. for which the casing has been plastic coated to resist paraffin.

This zone has been approved by the New Mexico Cil Conservation Commission as a tubingless completion in other single completions in this area. An instance is TEXACO Inc.'s State of New Mexico "AL" Well No. 14.

Attached is a diagrammatic sketch of the proposed tubingless completion and a plat showing the location of all wells on the State of New Mexico "AL" Lease and all offset wells along with the name and addresses of all offset operators. A copy of this request is being sent this date to all offset operators by registered mail.

Your early consideration of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly, No. J. C. Blevins, Jr.

Assistant District Superintendent

WPY/OR cc: NHOCC, Hobbs Offset Operators Attachments

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