

September 30, 1996

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attn: Mr. William J. LeMay, Division Director

RE: Request for Exception to Rule 303 Downhole Commingling Vacuum Blinebry and Vacuum Drinkard Pools New Mexico R State NCT-1 #18 Unit Letter H, Section 6, T-18-S, R-35-E Lea County, New Mexico

Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. respectfully requests administrative approval for an exception to Rule 303 to permit the downhole commingling of the Vacuum Blinebry and Vacuum Drinkard pools in the above well.

Attached is the pertinent data supporting this application as outline in rule 303. Copies of this administrative application are being provided to our offset operators via Certified Mail.

If you have any questions concerning this proposal, or if you require further information, please contact Darrell Carriger at (505) 397-0426 or myself at (505) 397-0418.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,

Monte C. Duncan Engineer Assistant Hobbs Operating Unit

MCD/s File Chrono Attachments cc: New Mexico Land Department, Santa Fe New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, District I Office