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December 3, 1976

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 2088 'Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attn: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

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MOBIL OIL CORPORATION'S APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO RULE 303(A) FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DOWNHOLE COMMINGLE PRODUCTION FROM THE VACUUM WOLFCAMP AND VACUUM LOWER PENN. POOLS IN THE WELLBORE OF THE BRIDGES-STATE WELL NO. 98, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Gentlemen:

Mobil Oil Corporation requests administrative approval to commingle in the wellbore oil production from the Vacuum Wolfcamp and Vacuum Lower Penn Pools in Well No. 98 on the Bridges State Lease, located in Unit J, Section 26, T-17-S, R-34-E, Lea County, New Mexico.

This well is a triple tubingless completion in the Vacuum (Abo, Wolfcamp and Lo. Penn) Pools, authorized by Commission Order No. MC-1438-A. The Penn production quit flowing after producing at rates of less than 10 BOPD for a year. Due to unfavorable economics, this deep zone was not put on pump. However, the economics do look good for the proposed downhole commingled production, with both the Wolfcamp and the Lower Penn Pools being pumped with the existing Wolfcamp Pump. The commingling will be accomplished by perforating between the Wolfcamp and Lower Penn casing strings.

We do not have any bottom-hole pressure data available for these two zones. However, we expect no crossflow problems since the common pump will keep the fluid levels low.

Production is essentially water-free. Past engineering studies indicate that any water which does accumulate from the commingled production will present no problems from the formation of untreatable precipitates. The productivity tests (Form C-116) indicate that the allocation of production should be assigned 90% to the Wolfcamp Pool and 10% to the Lower Penn Pool. This allocation is generally reflected by the relative oil production graphs.

The value of the hydrocarbons from the two zones before and after commingling are shown to be the same on the computation sheet. The production is already commingled on the surface, as approved by Commission Order No. PC-100. Since the Lower Penn Zone is dead and uneconomical to produce as a single pumping well, this production will not be realized unless Mobil can downhole commingle.

The ownership of the two zones to be commingled is common in all respects.

All offset operators shown on the attached list have been notified of our request with copy of this application.

In support of this application, we submit the following attachments:

- Plat showing location of the subject lease, ŀ.
- Copies of the latest well tests for each zone in 2. the subject well,
- 3. Well test curves for each zone,
- 4.
- Exhibit "A" Data sheet for both zones, Exhibit "B" Computation of relative values for 5. the hydrocarbons,
- Existing and proposed wellbore sketches, б.
- Copy of the letter of consent from the purchaser 7. of the crude, and
- 8. List of Offset Operators.

In conclusion, Mobil believes the approval of this request will result in more efficient recovery of hydrocarbons and will extend the productive life of both zones, thereby preventing waste.

Yours very truly,

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J. A. Morris Regulatory Engineering Supervisor

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EXHIBIT "A" DATA SHEET

MOBIL OIL CORPORATION P. O. BOX 633 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO RULE 303(a) OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S RULES & REGULATIONS ALLOWING DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING OF DUALLY COMPLETED OIL WELLS BY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE (ORDER NO. R-3845)

1.	Lease NameBridges=State		
2.	Well No98		•
3.	Well Location: Unit <u>J</u> , <u>1980</u>	feet from South	line, <u>1780</u>
	feet from <u>East</u> line of Section <u>2</u>	6 Township <u>17-</u>	S Range <u>34-E_</u> ,
	Lea County, New Mexico		
4.	Upper Zone Wolfcamp		
5.	Completion Interval _9,995'-10,119'		
5.	Lower Zone Pennsylvanian		
7.	Completion Interval 11,468'-11,5	08'	
8.	Dual Completion Authorized by Commi	ssion Order No.	MC-1438-A
9.	Current Productivity Test Summary (Form C-116 attache	ed)
		Vacuum Wolfcamp (Upper Zone)	Vacuum Lower Penn. (Lower Zone)
	Producing Method Oil Bbl./day Gas Mcf/day WaterBbl/day	Pump 17 30.6 0	Dead 2 2.5 0
	GOR GOR Limit	1800 2000	1250 2000
10.	Bottom-hole Pressure of Upper Zone	Not Available	
11.	Bottom-hole Pressure of Lower Zone	Not Available	

12. Fluid Characteristics of Each Zone <u>Both zones produce an intermediate</u> <u>sweet type crude. Expect no problems from the formation of untreatable</u> precipitates in the commingled produced water.

By: <u>WBSimmons</u>

Date: <u>12-3-76</u>

EXHIBIT "B" MOBIL OIL CORPORATION P. O. BOX 633 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701 COMPUTATION OF RELATIVE VALUES OF THE HYDROCAREON PRODUCTIVE BEFORE AND AFTER DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING (STATEWIDE RULE 303-C-2-h)

LEASE AND WELL NUMBER	Bridges-State Well	1 No. 98		
	UPPER POOL	LOWER POOL		COMMINGLED
POOL NAME	Vacuum Wolfcamp	Vacuum Lower Penn.	л. 	
GRAVITY, API	40.6°	39.8°		40°
SELLING PRICE /BBL.	\$ 5.31	\$ 5.31		\$ 5.31
DAILY PRODUCTION /BBL.	17	2		1.9
DAILY INCOME	\$90.27	\$10.62		\$100.89
TOTAL DAILY INCOME (POOLS	SEPARATED) \$_100	.89		

REMARKS: The production from these two zones are already commingled on the surface and there will not be any difference in the income from this proposed downhole commingling. However, the lower zone is dead and the well will continue to suffer a \$10.62/day loss until it is downhole commingled and its production pumped with the upper zone.



(EXISTING)



DATE September 23, 1976

W. B. Simmons, Jr.

C.C. D. R. Wall, Jr.

MOBIL OIL CORPORATION BRIDGES STATE 98 LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Mobil Oil Corporation, as the purchaser of the intermediate production of the above captioned lease, has no objection to the downhole commingling of the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian crude oil.

E. G. Stricker Crude Oil Department

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OFFSET OPERATORS MOBIL OIL CORPORATION'S BRIDGES-STATE LEASE WELL NO. 98 LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Continental Oil Co. P. O. Box 460 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Getty Oil Co. P. O. Box 249 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Marathon Oil Co. P. O. Box 2409 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

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