AMERADA HESS CORPORATION

August 17, 1982

P. O. DRAWER "D" MONUMENT, NEW MEXICO 88265

State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Re: Gill Deep No. 2 Request To Down-hole Commingle The Blinebry and Drinkard Zones

Dear Sir:

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Amerada Hess Corporation is requesting approval for an exception to Rule 303-C to permit down-hole commingling of the Blinebry and Drinkard oil-oil zones in the wellbore of the Gill Deep No. 2 in order to produce both these zones economically. This well was completed in November of 1975 and upon initial completion, both zones flowed. Permission to dually complete the well was authorized by administrative order MC-2368. In January of 1976 the Blinebry zone was placed on pump. Gas locking problems lead to the temporarily abandonment of this zone. Two years later the Blinebry commenced to flow in February of 1978. In November of 1981, the Drinkard zone was shut-in due to low production and down-hole mechanical problems.

In the wellbore, the Drinkard zone is perforated from 6518'-6675' and the Blinebry zone is perforated from 5431'-5869'. Our last test on the Drinkard, the lower most pool, show the zone produced four barrels of oil. From previous production data the combined water production from both zones average about 2 BPD. Both fluid productions fall within the limit of 40 BPD as stated in rule no. 1, paragraph A, subsections 1 and 3.

Both zones will require artificial lift which in the past has been impractical due to the dual completion. The conclusion to place the well on beam pump was arrived at after pressure surveys were taken from August 5-9. The results of these test were as follows:

> Blinebry-853 psig @ 5007', 72 hour survey Drinkard-630 psig @ 6007', 24 hour survey

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A 24 hour test was selected for the Drinkard because the well has been closed in since November 20, 1981. From these results and assuming a 75% drawdown on each zone, we estimate the producing bottom-hole pressures to be 640 psig for the Blinebry and 470 psig for the Drinkard zone.

Laboratory test have been run on each crude oil. A combination of the fluids yields an API gravity of 36.30° @ 60 F with no formation of precipitates which might damage the formation. This was expected since both Blinebry and Drinkard oil have been commingled at the battery since early 1976 with no problems encountered up to this point in time.

Assuming 100 BPD total production, 27 BPD allociated to the Blinebry and 73 BPD to the Drinkard, the combined stream value of the zones would be \$3,190 while the sum of the individual streams would total \$3,146. Therefore combination of these two zones will not reduce the crude oil value of the well. Detailed calculations used to arrive at this conclusion are encluded at the end of this letter.

At present the well is not envolved in a secondary recovery project. If a furture recovery project were to be considered we foresee no problems with this commingling prospect jeopardizing the efficiency of a secondary recovery operation.

If commingling is approved, Amerada Hess Corporation, Drawer D, Monument, New Mexico 88265 will be the operator of the said well located On Unit L, 2080' FSL, 614' FWL, Sec. 31, T-21S, R-37E, Lea County, New Mexico, Blinebry Oil & Gas Pool and Drinkard Pool. Amerada Hess has common ownership of both zones with a working interest of 50%, 1/8 royalty and no overriding royalty.

A plat of the area, with the proposed well to be commingled marked in yellow, is attached at the end of this letter. Two Division Form C-116's are encluded which show the production of each zone as follows:

Zone	0i1	Gas	Water	Date
Drinkard	4 bb1	7 mscf/d	1 bb1	11-20-81
Blinebry	10 bbl	169 mscf/d	1 bb1	8-15-82

The Drinkard zone test is not within the current 30 day limit as specified in section 2, paragraph D because mechanical problems, a swab cup lodged in the tubing, prohibit an accurate test to be conducted. Therefore, a representative test, also the last good test taken on the Drinkard zone, has been submitted for your review.



Production decline curves, dataing back to January, 1977, have been supplied for both producing formations. These indicate the following nominal decline rates.

Zone	Decline Rate
Drinkard	0.150496601/yr.
Blinebry	0.206736209/yr.

Using these rates, a combined decline rate was calculated as 0.165648297/yr. with this rate, an allocation of 27% to the Blinebry and 73% to the Drinkard was calculated. Detailed procedures arriving at these figures follow later.

All offset operators have been notified of the proposed commingling by a copy of this memo. If you have any questions regarding this proposed action, please feel free to contact me. I will await your decision on this procedure.

Sincerely,

Randall J. Howell

Randall L. Howell Associate Petroleum Engineer

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xc: Division Director (2) District Office Offset Operators:

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Amerada Hess Charge Corporation Test No. _ WPL-80-1068 Date of Run _ 10-20-80 Date Received 9-23-80

A Sample of	Crude Oil from Gill Deep Well No. 2
Secured from	Blinebry Formation
At	Lea County New Mexico Secured by
Purpose	
Sampling Conditions	

DISTILLATION

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IBP	157 ' F	Ash Content
5%	<u>202</u> °F	Acid or Base Numbers
10%	<u>230</u> •F	B. S. & W. (Centrifuge)
20%	282 _{°F}	Carbon Residue
30%	<u> </u>	Carbon Residue on 10% Residue
40%	430 _{"F}	Cloud and Pour Point to*F
50%	519 _{•F}	Doctor Test
60%	<u> 600 </u> •F	Flash Point (open or closed)
70%	<u>680</u> •F	Fire Point
75%	<u> 699 •</u> F	Gravity, A. P. I. Hydrometer 37.20 @ 60°F.
80.56	<u>720</u> •F	Hydrogen Sulfide (Crude Oil)
85%	<u>732</u> •F	Salt Content (Crude Oil)
90%	<u>740</u> •F	Sulfur (lamp method)
S5%	<u>746</u> •F	Vapor Pressure (Reid)
End Point	<u>751</u> .F	Vapor Pressure (N.G.A.A.)
7 Kas Residue	3.75	Vapor Pressure (Lean Oil)
% Recovery	96.25	Viscosity (Saybolt) XMXXX 125°F SSU 35.90 Seconds
Color		Viscosity (Saybolt) 210°F
YIELD		Viscosity (Index No.)
Gasoline 300°F	23.00 %	
Gasoline 350°F	7.75 %	
Gasoline 400°F	6.25 %	
Total Gasoline	37.00 %	
Kerosene 525°F	13.25 %	
Diesel Fuel 650°F	16.75 %	

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Amerada Hess Charge Corporation Test No. __WPL-80-1067 9-23-80 Date Received ____

A Sample of	Crude Oil from Gill Deep	Well No. 2		
Secured from	Drinkard Formation			
At	Lea County New Mexico		Secured by	
Purpose		Date	9-17-80 Time	

DISTILLATION

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IBP		180 °F	Ash Content	
5%		<u>234</u> °F	Acid or Base Numbers	
10%		<u>268</u> •F	B. S. & W. (Centrifuge)	
20%		<u>339</u> . _F	Carbon Residue	
30%		<u>414</u> °F	Carbon Residue on 10% Residue	
40%		<u>477</u> °F	Cloud and Pour Point to°F	
50%		<u>548</u> •F	Doctor Test	
60%		630 •F	Flash Point (open or closed)	
70%		<u>694</u> •F	Fire Point	
75%	<u>-</u>	<u>715</u> •F	Gravity, A. P. I. Hydrometer <u>35.30</u> a 60 ⁰ F	
80%		<u>733</u> •F	Hydrogen Sulfide (Crude Oil)	
85%		<u>742</u> •F	Salt Content (Crude Oil)	
90%		<u>750</u> • _F	Sulfur (lamp method)	
95%		<u>755</u> •F	Vapor Pressure (Reid)	
End Point		757_ _{°F}	Vapor Pressure (N.G.A.A.)	
7 Max Residu	ıe	3.50	Vapor Pressure (Lean Oil)	
% Recovery		96.50	Viscosity (Saybolt) XON XX 125 F. SSU 39.50 Seconds	
Color			Viscosity (Saybolt) 210°F	
	YIELD		Viscosity (Index No.)	
Gasoline 300°F		15.00 %		
Gasoline 350°F		6.75 %	·	
Gasoline 400°F		<u>5.25</u> %		
Total Gasoline				
Kerosene 525°F		17.25 %	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Diesel Fuel 650°F		17.75 %		
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Amerada Hess Charge Corporation Test No. WPL-80-1069 Date of Run 10-20-80 Date Received 9-23-80

A Sample of	Commingled (50/50) Crude Oils from	Gill Deep Well No. 2	
	Blinebry and Drinkard Formations		
At	Lea County New Mexico	Secured by	
Purpose			
Sampling Cond	itions		

DISTILLATION

DIAL 915/366-7171

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IBP	159 °F	Ash Content_
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50%	<u>531</u> •F	Doctor Test
6 0%	<u>612_</u> •F	Flash Point (
70%	<u>685</u> •F	Fire Point
75%	704_•F	Gravity, A. P.
80%	<u>725</u> °F	Hydrogen Sul
85 °	<u>736</u> •F	Salt Content (
90%	<u>745</u> °F	Sulfur (lamp)
ss	<u>749</u> •F	Vapor Pressur
End Point	<u>753</u> •F	Vapor Pressur
Residue	3.50	Vapor Pressur
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Gasoline 300°F	19.00 %	
Gasoline 350°F	7.75 %	
Gasoline 406°F		
Total Gasoline		
Kerosene 525°F	16.50 %	
Diese! Fuel 550°F		
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PRODUCTION ALLOCIATION CALCULATION

Blinebry Zone:	qi = 230 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/76 q = 44 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/84
	t = 8 yrs.
	$a_n = \frac{\ln \frac{230 \text{ STB/Mo.}}{44 \text{ STB/Mo.}}}{8 \text{ yrs.}}$
	$a_n = 0.206736209/yr.$
Drinkard Zone:	
	qi = 500 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/76 q = 150 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/84 t = 8 yrs.
	$a_n = \frac{1n}{150} \frac{500 \text{ STB/Mo.}}{8 \text{ yrs.}}$
	a _n = 0.150496601/yr.
Combined Zones:	
	qi = 730 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/76 q = 194 STB/Mo. @ t = 12/1/84 t = 8 yrs.
	$a_n = \frac{\ln \frac{730 \text{ STB/Mo.}}{194 \text{ STB/Mo.}}}{8 \text{ yrs.}}$
	a _n = 0.165648297/yr.
	X = Blinebry Allociation
	1-X = Drinkard Allocation
0.165648297 = (X)	(0.206736209) + (1-X)(0.150496601)
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Therefore:

<u>Zone</u> Blinebry Drinkard Production Allocation 27% 73%

Formula Used:

$$a_n = \frac{n qi}{t}$$

Nomenclature:

a _n = nominal decline rate, per year
qi = initial flow rate, STB/mo.
q = later flow rate, STB/Mo.
t = time between rates, years

Explanation:

Production allociation calculations were based on decline curve analysis. Once the decline rate was arrived at for each zone, a combined decline rate was calculated assuming that the combined production curves would be representative of the commingled zones. An algebraic process was employed to arrive at the percentage decline of each zone as compared to the total decline rate for both zones. This was the method used in calculating a production allociation formula.

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Blinebry Gravity:

Drinkard Gravity:

$$\delta = \frac{141.5}{35.3^{\circ} + 131.5}$$
$$\delta = 0.8483$$

Combined Gravity:

 $\sigma_{T} = (0.8388)(0.27) + (0.8483)(0.73)$

 $\sigma_{T} = 0.8458$

 $API = \frac{141.5}{0.8458} - 131.5$

API = 35.8°

Price for this gravity - 31.90 \$/STB

Assuming total production - 100 STB Blinebry production - 27 STB Drinkard production - 73 STB

Individual Streams:

Blinebry Price = (27 STB)(30.28 \$/STB) = \$817.56

Drinkard Price = (73 STB)(31.89 \$/STB) = \$2,327.97 Total \$3,145.93

Combined Streams:

Price = (100 STB)(31.90 \$/STB) = \$3,190

Formula Used:

$$\sigma = \frac{141.5}{\text{API} - 131.5}$$

Nomenclature:

8 - Specific Gravity of Fluids API - API Degree Gravity of Oil

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