

# AMERADA HESS CORPORATION

August 22, 1984

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MONUMENT, NEW MEXICO 88265

State of New Mexico  
Energy and Minerals Department  
Oil Conservation Division  
P. O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Re: A. B. Baker #3, Unit H, Sec. 10, T-22S, R-37E  
A. B. Baker #4, Unit P, Sec. 10, T-22S, R-37E

Request to downhole commingle the Tubb/Drinkard  
and the Blinebry/Drinkard Gas Zones.

Dear Sir:

Amerada Hess Corporation is requesting approval for an exception to Rule 303-C to permit the downhole commingling of the Tubb and Drinkard gas zones in the A. B. Baker #3 and the Blinebry and Drinkard gas zones in the A. B. Baker #4. Permission to dually complete these wells was authorized by administrative orders MC-2085 and MC-2072, respectively.

In the A. B. Baker #3, the Tubb zone is perforated from 5960'-6135' and the Drinkard zone from 6205'-6404'. In 1984, both zones have made more fluid than in previous years and gas flow rates have decreased. If downhole permission to commingle is received this well will be placed on sucker rod pump to effectively lift formation fluids from the wellbore resulting in increased gas flow rates. The A. B. Baker #4 is perforated in the Blinebry zone from 5422'-5686' and in the Drinkard zone from 6220'-6473'. The Drinkard side of this wellbore is temporarily abandoned due to 1100' of fluid on the formation face which has killed the gas flow. Before the fluid encroachment the Drinkard zone was capable of producing 20,000 to 30,000 MCFPM. With the approval to downhole commingle, this well will also be placed on sucker rod pump to remove formation fluids. This will result in a significant increase in gas production from this wellbore.

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Shut-in pressures from packer leakage tests and fluid levels revealed from acoustic well sounders were utilized to determine bottom hole pressures. These results are presented below.

A. B. Baker #3	Tubb Gas	SBHP = 364 psia
A. B. Baker #3	Drinkard Gas	SBHP = 234 psia
A. B. Baker #4	Blinebry Gas	SBHP = 497 psia
A. B. Baker #4	Drinkard Gas	SBHP = 376 psia

These pressures are corrected to a common datum and the small pressure differences between zones indicate no crossflow problems will exist. Details of the method used to derive these figures is attached with this proposal.

The fluid characteristics of each zone are similar and there is no indication there will be incompatibility problems in the wellbore.

The value of the commingled production will not be less than the sum of the values of the individual streams since Amerada Hess is receiving \$1.10/MCF for the gas from all zones in consideration in both wellbores.

To figure the allocation of production to each zone, decline curves were used. This method revealed the following and details of it are attached.

#### Production Allocations To Each Zone:

A. B. Baker #3	Tubb	4%
A. B. Baker #3	Drinkard	96%
A. B. Baker #4	Blinebry	13%
A. B. Baker #4	Drinkard	87%

The ownership of the zones to be commingled is common with respect to working interest, royalty and overriding royalty.

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All offset operators have been notified of this proposal by receipt of this recommendation. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Respectfully,

*D. W. Holmes*

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Sr. Petroleum Engineer

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CALCULATION OF  
STATIC BOTTOM-HOLE PRESSURES

Equations To Be Used:

$$P_{SFS} = P_{WHS} \times e^{c/\bar{z}} \quad \text{Where: } c = \frac{(\gamma g)(TVD)}{53.34 \bar{T}}$$

$P_{SFS}$  = Static sandface pressure, psia

$P_{WHS}$  = Static wellhead pressure, psia

$e$  = 2.7183

$\gamma g$  = Gas gravity

TVD = True vertical depth, feet

$\bar{T}$  = Average temperature, °R

$\bar{z}$  = Average compressibility factor

Assumptions:

$P_{ATM}$  = 13.025 psia

Temp. Grad. = 0.017 °F/ft.

Avg. Surf. Temp. = 60°F

$\gamma g$  = 0.70

A. B. Baker #3

Tubb Zone:

$\gamma g$  = 0.70

$P_{WHS}$  = 310 psia from pkr. leak. test

TVD = 6,048' (mid perfs.)

$\bar{T}$  = (60 + 103)(1 = 82°F = 542°R)

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$$c = \frac{(0.7)(6048)}{53.34(542)} = 0.146$$

$$P_{pc} = 668 \text{ psia}$$

$$T_r = 542/390 = 1.39$$

$$T_{pc} = 390^\circ R$$

Assume:  $P_{sfs} = 360 \text{ psia}$   $\bar{P} = (360 + 310)/2 = 335 \text{ psia}$

$$P_r = 335/668 = 0.50 \therefore \bar{z} = 0.938$$

$$P_{sfs} = (310) e^{.146/.938} = 362 \text{ psia}$$

Assume:  $P = (362 + 310)/2 = 336 \text{ psia}$

$$P_r = 336/668 = 0.50 \therefore \bar{z} = 0.938$$

$$P_{sfs} = (310) e^{.146/.938} = 362 \text{ psia}$$

$P_{sfs} = 362 \text{ psia for Tubb zone}$

Drinkard Zone:

$$\gamma_g = 0.70$$

$$P_{whs} = 200 \text{ psia from pkr. leak. test}$$

$$TVD = 6305' \text{ (mid perfs.)}$$

$$\bar{T} = (60 + 107)/2 = 84^\circ F = 544^\circ R$$

$$C = \frac{(0.7)(6305')}{53.34(544)} = 0.152$$

$$P_{pc} = 668 \text{ psia}$$

$$T_r = 544/390 = 1.39$$

$$T_{pc} = 390^\circ R$$

Assume:  $P_{sfs} = 250 \text{ psia}$   $\bar{P} = (250 + 200)/2 = 225 \text{ psia}$

$$P_r = 225/668 = 0.34 \therefore \bar{z} = 0.950$$

$$P_{sfs} = (200) e^{.152/.95} = 235 \text{ psia}$$

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Assume:  $\bar{P} = (235+200)/2 = 218$  psia  
 $P_r = 218/668 = 0.33 \therefore \bar{z} = 0.960$   
 $P_{sfs} = (200) e^{-152/0.96} = 234$  psia  
 $P_{sfs} = 234$  psia for Drinkard zone

To correct Tubb press. to common datum of 6305':

$$\bar{T} = (82 + 84)/2 = 83^\circ F = 543^\circ R$$

$$P_{pc} = 668 \text{ psia} \quad T_r = 543/390 = 1.39$$

$$T_{pc} = 390^\circ R$$

$$c = \frac{(0.7)(257)}{53.34(543)} = 0.0062$$

Assume:  $P_{sfs} = 365$  psia  $\bar{P} = (365 + 362)/2 = 364$  psia  
 $P_r = 364/668 = 0.54 \therefore \bar{z} = 0.935$   
 $P_{sfs} = (362)e^{0.0062/0.935} = 364$  psia

$P_{sfs} = 364$  psia for Tubb zone at common datum of 6305'

Tubb zone SBHP at 6305' = 364 psia  
 Drinkard zone SBHP at 6305' = 234 psia

#### A. B. Baker #4

Blinebry Zone:

$$\gamma_g = 0.70$$

$P_{whs} = 420$  psia from pkr. leak. test  
 TVD = 5564' (mid perfs.)

$$\bar{T} = (60 + 95)/2 = 78^\circ F = 538^\circ R$$

$$c = \frac{(0.7)(5564)}{53.34(538)} = 0.136$$

$$P_{pc} = 668 \text{ psia} \quad T_r = 538/390 = 1.38$$

$$T_{pc} = 390^\circ R$$

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Assume:  $P_{sfs} = 470 \text{ psia}$        $\bar{P} = (470+420)/2 = 445 \text{ psia}$   
 $P_r = 445/668 = 0.67$        $\therefore \bar{z} = 0.918$   
 $P_{sfs} = (420) e^{.136/.918} = 487 \text{ psia}$

Assume:  $\bar{P} = (487 + 420)/2 = 454 \text{ psia}$   
 $P_r = 454/668 = 0.68$        $\therefore \bar{z} = 0.917$   
 $P_{sfs} = (420) e^{.136/.917} = 487 \text{ psia}$   
 $\underline{P_{sfs} = 487 \text{ psia for Blinebry zone}}$

Drinkard Zone:

This gas zone has been TA'd since 1979. It is capable of producing gas at high volumes as long as formation fluids are removed from the wellbore. An acoustic well sounder has revealed 1073' of fluid in the hole. Using a 45°API oil gravity and 0 psi tubing pressure, the bottom hole static pressure in the Drinkard zone in this well is 376 psi.

To correct Blinebry press. to common datum of 6347'

$$\bar{T} = (78 + 108)/2 = 93^\circ\text{F} = 553^\circ\text{R}$$

$$P_{pc} = 668 \text{ psia} \quad T_r = 553/390 = 1.42$$

$$T_{pc} = 390^\circ\text{R}$$

$$c = \frac{(0.7)(783)}{53.34(553)} = 0.019$$

Assume:  $P_{sfs} = 500 \text{ psia}$        $\bar{P} = (500 + 487)/2 = 494 \text{ psia}$   
 $P_r = 494/668 = 0.74$        $\therefore \bar{z} = 0.910$   
 $P_{sfs} = (487) e^{.019/.910} = 497 \text{ psia}$

$P_{sfs} = 497 \text{ psia for Blinebry zone at common datum of } 6347'.$

Blinebry zone SBHP at 6347' = 497 psia  
Drinkard zone SBHP at 6347' = 376 psia

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## Allocation Of Production To Each Zone

### A. B. Baker #3

Decline Rate Computations:

#### Tubb Zone

$$q_i = 670 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$q = 330 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$t = 4 \text{ years}$$

$$a_N = \ln \frac{(670/330)}{4}$$

$$a_N(\text{Tubb}) = 0.17705/\text{yr.}$$

#### Drinkard Zone

$$q_i = 14,000 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$q = 8,400 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$t = 4 \text{ years}$$

$$a_N = \ln \frac{(14,000/8,400)}{4}$$

$$a_N(\text{Drink.}) = 0.12771/\text{yr.}$$

#### Tubb/Drinkard Combined

$$q_i = 14,670 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$q = 8,730 \text{ MCF/mo.}$$

$$t = 4 \text{ years}$$

$$a_N = \ln \frac{(14,670/8,730)}{4}$$

$$a_N(\text{Comb.}) = 0.12976/\text{yr.}$$

Actual Allocation:

$X$  = Tubb Allocation

$X-1$  = Drinkard Allocation

$$0.12976 = (X)(0.17705) + (1-X)(0.12771)$$

$$0.12976 = (X)(0.17705) + (0.12771) - (X)(0.12771)$$

$$0.00205 = (X)(0.04934)$$

$$X = 0.04155$$

$$1-X = 0.95845$$

Therefore:

Tubb Production Allocation = 4%

Drinkard Production Allocation = 94%

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## Allocation Of Production To Each Zone

### A. B. Baker #4

#### Decline Rate Computations:

##### Blinebry Zone

$$\begin{aligned} q_i &= 7,200 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ q &= 1,900 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ t &= 4 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_N &= \ln \frac{(7,200/1,900)}{4} \\ a_{N(Blin.)} &= 0.33306/\text{yr.} \end{aligned}$$

##### Drinkard Zone

$$\begin{aligned} q_i &= 30,000 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ q &= 23,700 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ t &= 4 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_N &= \ln \frac{(30,000/23,700)}{4} \\ a_{N(Drink.)} &= 0.05893/\text{yr.} \end{aligned}$$

##### Blinebry/Drinkard Combined

$$\begin{aligned} q_i &= 37,200 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ q &= 25,600 \text{ MCF/mo.} \\ t &= 4 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_N &= \ln \frac{(37,200/25,600)}{4} \\ a_{N(Comb.)} &= 0.09343/\text{yr.} \end{aligned}$$

#### Actual Allocation:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \text{Blinebry zone} \\ X-1 &= \text{Drinkard zone} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0.09343 &= (X)(0.33306) + (1-X)((0.05893)) \\ 0.09343 &= (X)(0.33306) + (0.05893) - (X)(0.05893) \\ 0.03450 &= (X)(.27413) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &= 0.12585 \\ 1-X &= 0.87415 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Blinebry Production Allocation} &= 13\% \\ \text{Drinkard Production Allocation} &= 87\% \end{aligned}$$

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Equations Used:

Decline Rates

$$a_N = \frac{q_i/q}{t}$$

$a_N$  = nominal decline, per yr.

$q_i$  = initial rate, MCF/mo.

$q$  = later rate, MCF/mo.

$t$  = time between rates, yrs.

Allocation

$a_{N(Comb.)}$  = Combined decline rates

$a_{N(Blin.)}$  = Blinbry decline rate

$a_{N(Drink.)}$  = Drinkard decline rate

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Pool Blinney (Pro Gas)

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Drawer "D", Monument, New Mexico 88265

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Schedule

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No well will be assigned an allowable greater than the amount of oil produced on the official test.

During Gasoil sales tests, each well shall be produced at a rate not exceeding the top unit allowable for the pool in which wells are located by more than 25 percent. Operator is encouraged to take advantage of this 25 percent tolerance in order that well can be assigned increased allowances when authorized by the Division.

Gas volumes must be reported in MCF measured at a pressure base of 13.023 psia and a temperature of 60° F. Specific gravity base will be 0.60.

Report casing pressure in lieu of tubing pressure for any well producing through casing.

Well original and one copy of this report to the district office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in accordance with Rule 301 and appropriate pool rules.

I hereby certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. W. Helms

(Signature)

Sr. Petroleum Engineer

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GAS - OIL RATIO TESTS

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Drawer "D", Monument, New Mexico 88265

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LEASE NAME	WELL NO.	LOCATION				DATE OF TEST	CHOKE SIZE	TBG. PRESS.	DAILY ALLOWABLE	TESTING OR WATER BALS.	PROD. DURING TEST	GAS - OIL RATIO	SPECIAL
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During gas-oil ratio test, each well shall be produced at a rate not exceeding the top unit allowable for the pool in which wells is located by more than 25 percent. Operator is encouraged to take advantage of this 25 percent tolerance in order that well can be assigned increased allowances when authorized by the Division.

Gas volumes must be reported in MCF measured at a pressure base of 15,023 psia and a temperature of 60° F. Specific gravity base will be 0.60.

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Operator		GAS-OIL RATIO TESTS														
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Drawer "D", Monument, New Mexico 88265						TYPE OF TEST		SCHEDULED		COMPLETION		SPECIAL				
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Gas volumes must be reported in MCF measured at a pressure base of 13.023 psia and a temperature of 60° F. Specific gravity base will be 0.62.

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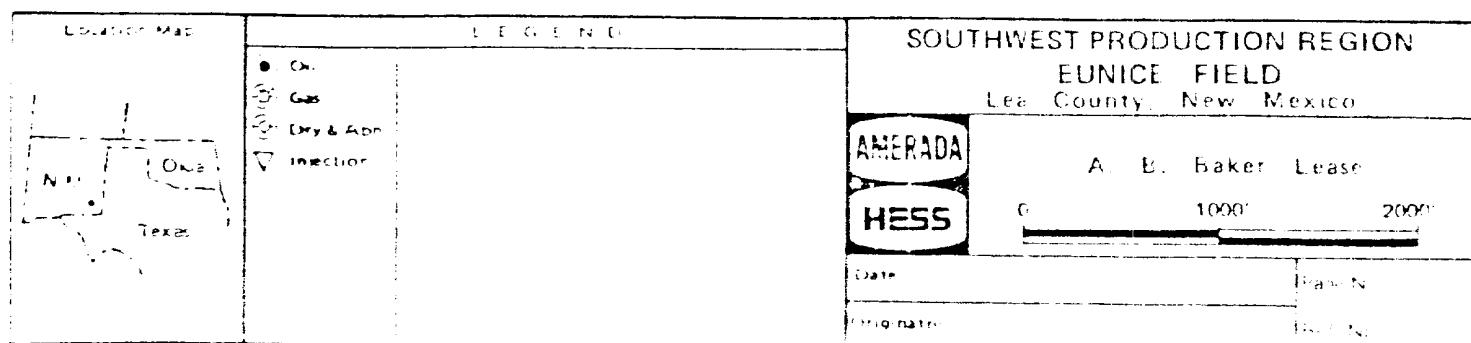
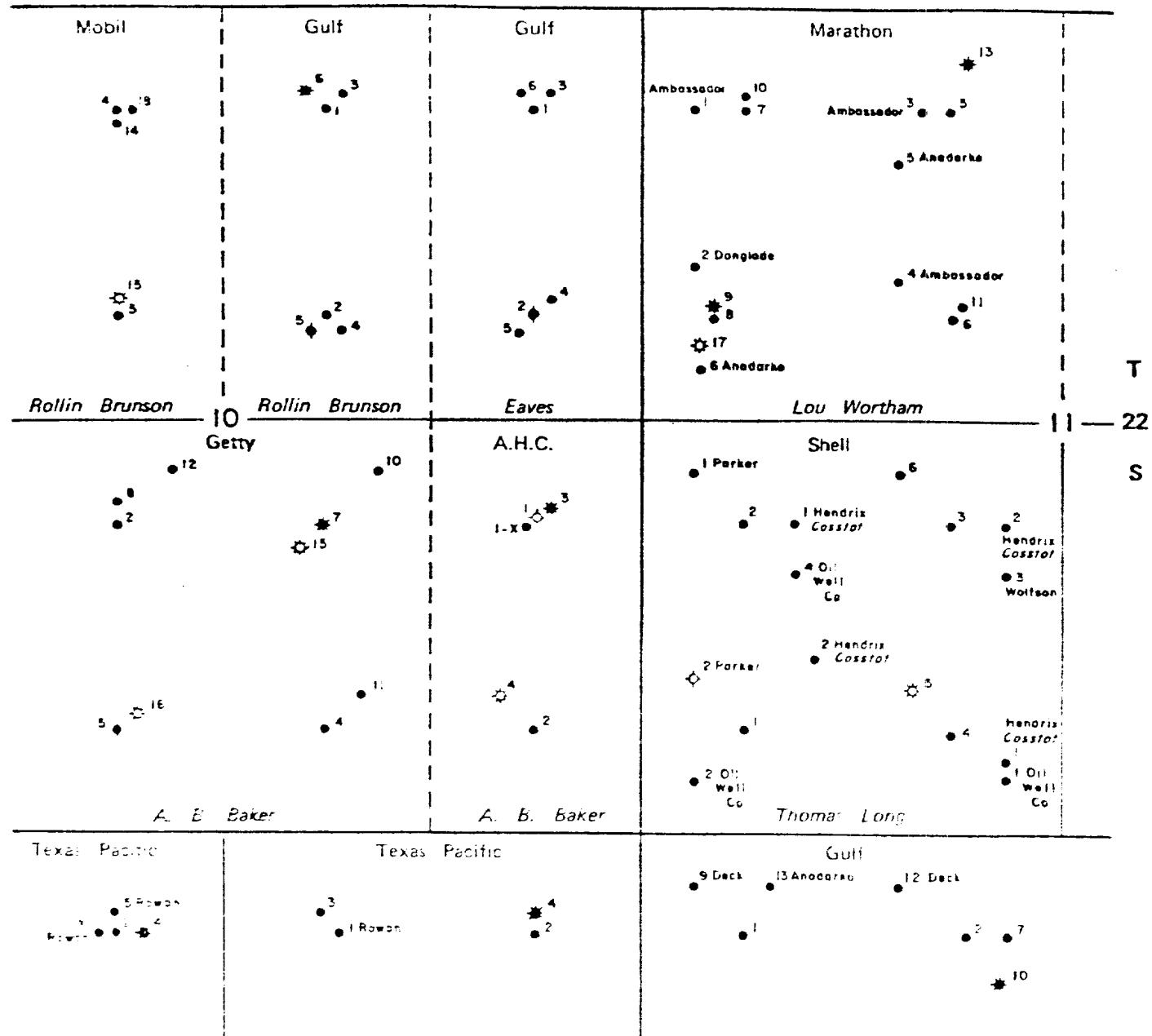
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WTR	= *

**CUMULATIVES:**

OIL MBBLS	16.5
GAS MMCF	1649.2
WTR MBBLS	1656.6

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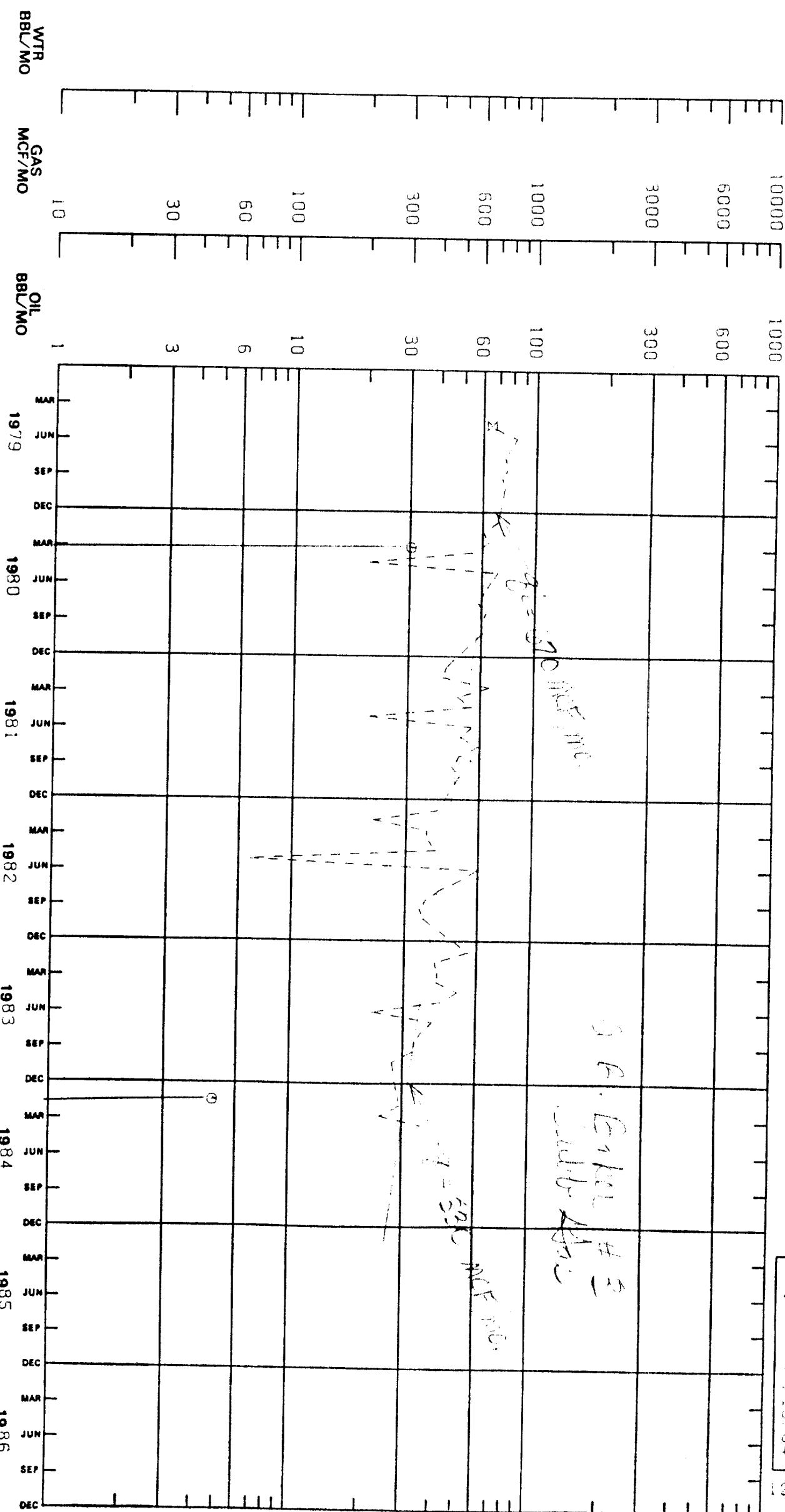
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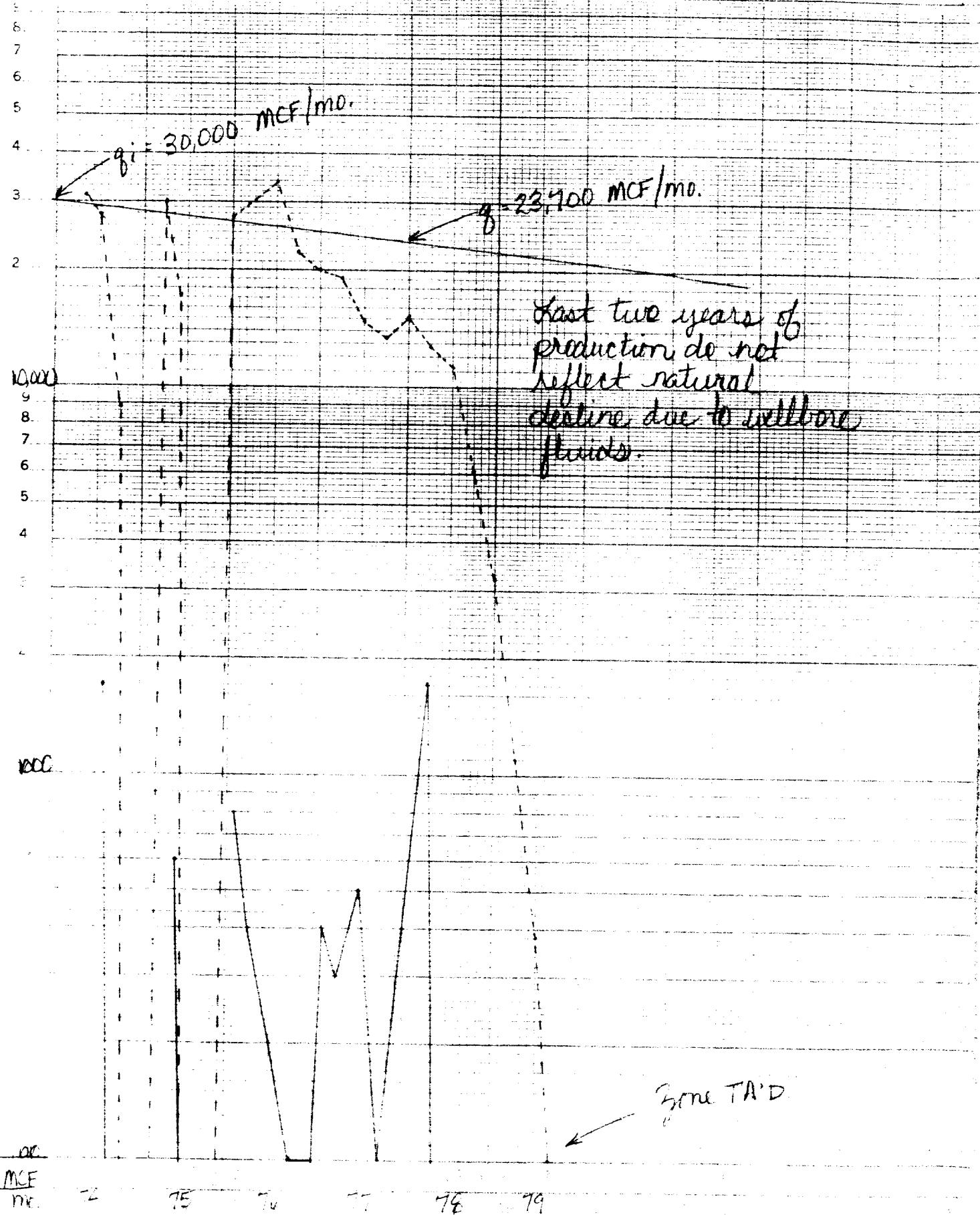


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DATA CODES

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GAS = X  
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CUMULATIVES:

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GAS MMCF  
WTR MBBLS

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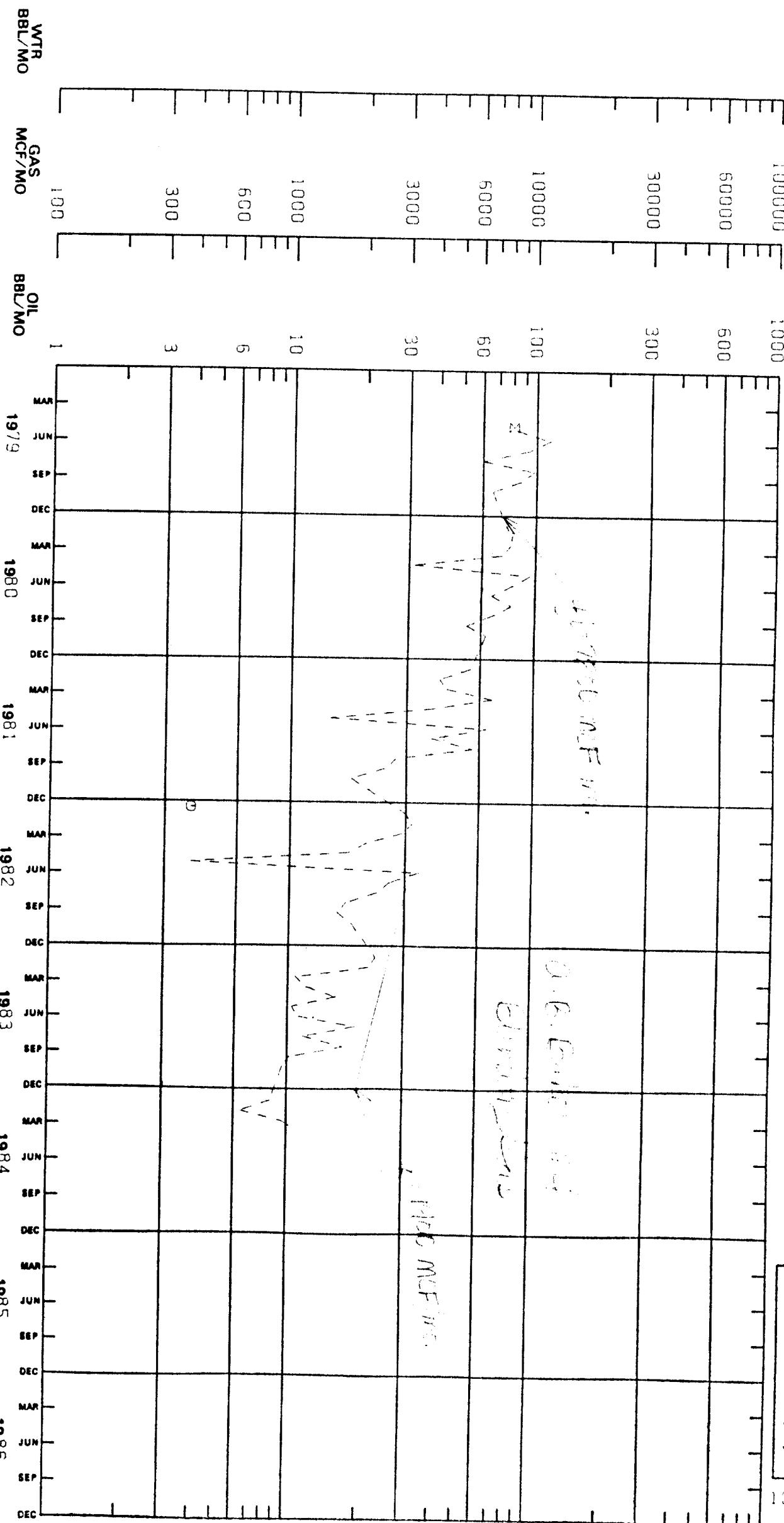
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