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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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Re: REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO RULE 303-A
DOWNHOLE COMMINGLING
E. W. WALDEN WELL #6
UNIT M, SEC 15, T-22-S, R-37-E
TUBB AND DRINKARD FORMATIONS
DRINKARD FIELD
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

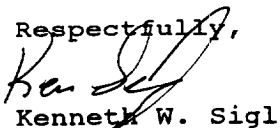
Dear Sir:

Amerada Hess Corporation respectfully requests approval for an exception to Rule 303-A to permit downhole commingling of the Tubb and Drinkard gas zones in the above mentioned well.

Currently the Tubb zone is perforated from 6100'-6150' and the Drinkard from 6200-6250. A production packer is set at 6175'. The Drinkard zone flows up the tubing; the Tubb is completed flowing up the tubing-casing annulus but has been temporarily abandoned since 1975. The gas production rate from both zones has decreased such that it is no longer sufficient to lift the produced liquids. If permission to downhole commingle is received, both zones will be flowed up the tubing, the combined flow rate is anticipated to be sufficient to prevent the well from loading up. Additional reserves will be produced and both zones will be produced longer to a lower final abandonment pressure. Also, if necessary, both zones can be swabbed to re-establish production if the well quits flowing.

Enclosed is the pertinent data supporting this application as outlined in Rule 303-C. If additional information is necessary, please contact me at (915) 758-6700.

Respectfully,



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