September 10, 1975

Application for Exception to Statewide Rule No. 303-C to Down-Hole Commingle Production from the East Brunson Ellenburger, East Brunson McKee and Drinkard Pools, Sims Well No. 6, Lea County, New Mexico

File: W4-Ta-154-75

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission - 2 P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 Attention: Mp. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary-Director

## Gentlemen:

We respectfully request administrative approval, subject to the twenty day waiting period, to down hole commingle production from the East Brunson McKee, East Brunson Ellenburger and Drinkard Pools in our Sims Well No. 6, located in Unit M, 370 feet from south and 330 feet from west lines, Section 24, T-22-S, R-37-E, Lea County, as provided by Statewide Rule No. 303-C. This will re-instate and amend DHC 126, dated May 7, 1973, which has been inactive since the temporary shut in of the Ellenburger and McKee zones. Pertinent well data follows:

- 1. All three zones to be countingled in the well bore are classified as oil zones and all require artificial lift.
- 2. The total daily production from the three zones before commingling does not exceed 50 BOPD as allowed for the deepest perforations in the lower zone.
- 3. Prior to shut in and temporary abandonment on 5-8-74, the Brunson East McKee and Brunson East Ellenburger zones were commingled down hale under Permit DHC 126. On or about 5-7-74, the combined zones tested at 9 BO, 1 BW and 29 Mcf gas per day. On 5-8-74, the well was perforated and recompleted in the Drinkard zone, which produged on test dated 4-3-75 at 17 BO, 4 BW and 133 Mcf gas per day. The oil and or water production is compatible one zone with another and there should be no undue formation of precipitates from combined produced waters.

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- 4. Crude gravities are: Ellenburger 42.8°, McKee 47°, Drinkard -40.8°. These crudes are classified as intermediate sweet with a posted price of \$12.00 for 40° gravity (and above) crude. Consequently, there would be no difference in the price of the combined crude over that of the crudes produced and sold separately. Royalty and working interests are common throughout and there is no overriding royalty.
- 5. Bottom hole pressures are estimated at 500# for the Ellenburger, 650# for the McKee, and 776# for the Drinkard.
- 6. Completion history: Spudded 1-13-68, TD of 7625' on 1-29-68, PBTD 7554'. Elevation 3321' Gr., 8-5/8" csg set in 11" hole at 1137', emtd w/460 sx Class H w/10% DD and 2% CaCl\_/sx with 150 sx circ; 4-1/2" csg set at 7625' in 7-7/8" hole, cmtd w/400 sx TRLW and 650 sx Class H with TOC at 2405'.

Ellenburger zone: Selective perfs 7469-74\*, 7480-84\*, 7494-7508\*, 7526-38\*, 7546-54\*. Treated perfs 7526-54\* w/4000 gals 28% acid; perfs 7469-7508\* w/1000 gals 15% acid, and perfs 7469-7554 w/1500 gals 15% acid w/30,000 gals MOD brine. IP 4-30-68 at 14 BO, 5 BW, GOR 1049/1, declined to 9 BO, 3 BW, GOR 2275/1 on 3-21-73. Commingled w/McKee 5-7-73 = DHC 126.

McKee: Selective perfs 7328-42', treated w/1500 gals Super HyF mud acid. IP 4-8-73 at 13 BO, O BW, GOR 725/1. Commingled w/Ellenburger 5-7-73 = DHC 126.

Combined Ellenburger/McKee production declined to 9 BO, 6 BW on 4-16-74, and these zones temporarily abandoned 5-7-74.

Drinkard: Selective perfs (5-8-74) 6387-7227'; perfs 6969-7227' treated w/500 gals 15% acid; perfs 6387-7227 treated w/5000 gals 28% acid w/ball sealers and 1500 gals 15% acid. IP on 5-28-75 at 25 BO, 20 BW, GOR 12,700/1; production declined to 17 BO, 4 BW, GOR 7824/1 on 4-3-75.

We expect to recover an additional 6030 BO from the Ellenburger, 5930 BO from the McKee, and 17,300 BO from the Drinkard as a result of this commingling.

No application for multiple completion of these zones has been filed. The Ellenburger and McKee zones currently are temporarily abandoned with a CIBP set at 7260<sup>•</sup>. Your approval of this down hole commingling is requested without the formality of an approved multiple completion. Subject to approval, the well bore will be equipped to re-open the Ellenburger and McKee zones and commingle with the Drinkard zone in the well bore.

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We propose allocation of the combined production be based on the decline production tests as cited herein, and are:

Ellenburger: 9 BO, 3 BW, 20 Mcf/gas per day McKee: 13 BO, 0 BW, 9 Mcf/gas per day Drinkard: 17 BO, 4 BW, 133 Mcf/gas per day

Offset operators are hereby notified with the request that their original waivers of objections be mailed directly to your attention, and a copy directed to this office. Mr. Gary Krieger will answer questions on this application, if any arise.

Your consideration and advise will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

MIN Harold McLemore

T. HAPOLO MELABORS PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Box 1980 Hobbs, New Mexico

Offset Operators (List Attached)

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