

## **Union Texas Petroleum Division**

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

Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.

Re: Application for Downhole Commingling
Union Texas Petroleum Carlson "B"

Well No. 1 and No. 2

Justis Blinebry and Justis Tubb-Drinkard Fields

Lea County, New Mexico

## Gentlemen:

Union Texas Petroleum respectfully requests administrative approval to downhole commingle two wells, the Carlson "B" No. 1 and the Carlson "B" No. 2 in the Justis Blinebry and Justis Tubb-Drinkard Fields. Both wells are currently producing with the Blinebry and the Tubb-Drinkard communicated downhole. In both cases, this situation occurred when an attempt was made to recover the string of tubing which was formerly used to produce the lower Tubb-Drinkard zone. The Tubb-Drinkard zone has been temporarily abandoned in Well No. 1 since 1969 and in Well No. 2 since 1971, but with the production tubing left in place.

While attempting to pull the Tubb-Drinkard tubing, the lower part of the string parted instead of unlatching from the packer leaving a portion of the tubing in the packer, and therefore unable to set a plug in the packer to separate the zones. This situation occurred in both wells.

The purpose of this application is to obtain approval to downhole commingle the Blinebry and Tubb-Drinkard zones in order to continue to produce the two subject wells and thereby avoid any unnecessary and unproductive well work while assuring that maximum economical recoveries are achieved for the wells and zones involved.

Attached is additional data and information in support of the above request as qualifications under Statewide Rule 303, Paragraph "C".

Yours very truly,

UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM

Norman Mason, Jr.