Form 3160-3 (April 2004)	FORM APPROVED OMB No. 1004-0137 Expires March 31, 2007				
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MAN	5 Lease Senal No. NMLC-028731B				
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO	6 If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name				
Ia. Type of work  DRILL  REENTH	N/A 7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No NMNM - 111789X				
lb Type of Well Onl Well Gas Well Other	ple Zone	8 Lease Name and Well No.  DODD FEDERAL UNIT #534			
2 Name of Operator COG Operating LLC	pro Bone	9 API Well No. 30-015- 294/9			
Address 550 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1300 Midland, TX 79701 3b Phone No. (include area code) .432-685-4384			10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory  Grayburg Jackson; SR-Q-Grbg-SA		
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with an At surface 2330' FNL & 1650' FEL, Unit G		11 Sec , T R M or Blk and Survey or Area  Sec 10 T17S R29E			
At proposed prod zone  14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office*  2 miles from Loco Hills, N		12 County or Parish 13 State EDDY NM			
Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig unit line, if any)  1650'	16 No of acres in lease	17 Spacin	ing Unit dedicated to this well		
18 Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft 700'	19 Proposed Depth 550' 4550'	20 BLM/I	/BIA Bond No. on file NMB000740		
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3599' GL	22. Approximate date work will sta 06/30/2011	Approximate date work will start* 23 Estimated durat			
	24. Attachments	<del></del>	······································		
The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onsho	re Oil and Gas Order No 1, shall be a	ttached to th	is form		
Well plat certified by a registered surveyor     A Drilling Plan	Item 20 above)	he operation	ns unless covered by an exi	sting bond on file (see	
3 A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office)		specific info	ormation and/or plans as ma	y be required by the	
25 Signature	Name (Printed/Typed) Kelly J. Holly			05/02/2011	
Title Permitting Tech					
Approved by (Signature) /s/ Don Peterson	Name (Printed/Typed)		Da	SEP 13 201	
Title FIELD MANAGER	Office CARLSBAD F	IELD OF	FICE		
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant hold conduct operations thereon.  Conditions of approval, if any, are attached	ls legal or equitable title to those righ	its in the sub		le the applicant to EQRITWO YEAR	
Trile 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a citates any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as	rune for any person knowingly and to any matter within its jurisdiction	willfully to m			
*(Instructions on page 2)				<del>- 13 10 10 10 10</del>	

**Roswell Controlled Water Basin** 



SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Approval Subject to General Requirements & Special Stipulations Attached

#### MASTER DRILLING PROGRAM

#### 1. Geologic Name of Surface Formation

Quaternary

#### 2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Quaternary	Surface
Rustler	220'
Salt	360'
Base of Salt	780'
Yates	950'
Seven Rivers	1235'
Queen	1845'
Grayburg	2220'
San Andres	2540'
Glorieta	4000'
Paddock	4075'
Blinebry	4620'
Tubb	5520'

#### 3. Estimated Depths of Anticipated Fresh Water, Oil and Gas

Water Sand	150'	Fresh Water
Grayburg	2220'	Oil/Gas
San Andres	2540'	Oil/Gas
Glorieta	4000'	Oil/Gas
Paddock	4075'	Oil/Gas
Blinebry	4620'	Oil/Gas
Tubb	5520'	Oil/Gas

No other formations are expected to give up oil, gas or fresh water in measurable quantities. Setting 13 3/8" casing to 300' and circulating cement back to the surface will protect the surface fresh water sand. The Salt Section will be protected by setting 8 5/8" casing to 850' and circulating cement, in a single or multi-stage job and/or with an ECP, back to the surface. Any shallower zones above TD, which contain commercial quantities of oil and/or gas, will have cement circulated across them. This will be achieved by cementing, with a single or multi-stage job, the 5 1/2" production casing back 200' into the intermediate casing, (but calculated to surface) to be run at TD. If wellbore conditions arise that require immediate action and/or a change to this program, COG Operating LLC personnel will always react to protect the wellbore and/or environment.



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#### 4. Casing Program

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Hole Size	Interval	Casing	Weight	Grade	Jt., Condition	Jt.	brst/clps/ten
17 ½"	0-300'~	13 3/8"	48#	H-40orJ-55	ST&C/New	ST&C	9.22/3.943/15.8
11"	0-850"	8 5/8"	24or32#	J-55	ST&C/New	ST&C	3.03/2.029/7.82
7 7/8"	0-TD	5 1/2"	15.5or17#	J-55orL-80	LT&C/New	LT&C	1.88/1.731/2.42

#### 5. Cement Program

13 3/8" Surface Casing:

Class C w/ 2% Cacl2 + 0.25 pps CF, 400 sx, yield 1.32, back to surface. 154% excess

8 5/8" Intermediate Casing:

#### 11" Hole:

Single Stage: 50:50:10 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt +0.25% CF, 300 sx lead, yield-2.45 + Class C w/2% CaCl2, 200 sx tail, yield-1.32, back to surface. 363% excess

Multi-Stage: Stage 1: Class C w/2% CaCl2, 200 sx, yield - 1.32; 108% excess Stage 2: 50:50:10 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt +0.25% CF, 300 sx, yield - 2.45, back to surface, 726% excess; assumption for tool is lost circulation. Multi stage tool to be set at approximately, depending on hole conditions, 350' (50' below the surface casing). Cement volumes will be adjusted proportionately for depth changes of multi stage tool.

See COA

5 1/2" Production Casing:

Single Stage: LEAD 500 sx 35:65:6 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 5 pps LCM + 0.2% SMS + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF, yield-2.05; + TAIL 400 sx 50:50:2 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF, yield-1.37, to 200' minimum tie back to intermediate casing. 76.8% open hole excess, cement calculated back to surface.

See (OA **Multi-Stage:** Stage 1: (Assumed TD of 4550') 500 sx 50:50:2 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF.

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yield - 1.37, 34% excess; Stage 2: LEAD 450 sx 50:50:2 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CFyield - 1.37, + TAIL 250 sx Class C w/ 0.3% R-3 + 1.5% CD-32, yield -1.02 148% open hole excess, cement calculated back to surface. Multi stage tool to be set at approximately. depending on hole conditions, 2500'. Cement volumes will be adjusted proportionately for depth changes of multi stage tool, assumption for tool is water flow.

#### 6. **Minimum Specifications for Pressure Control**

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #9 will consist of a double ram-type (2000 psi WP) preventer, and in some cases possibly a 2000 psi Hydril type annular preventer as provided for in Onshore Order #2. This unit will be hydraulically operated and the ram type preventer will be equipped with blind rams on top of 4 1/2" drill pipe rams on the bottom. A 13-5/8" or 11" BOP will be used, depending on the rig selected, during the drilling of the well. The BOP will be nippled up on the 13 3/8" surface casing with BOP equipment and tested to 2000 psi. When 11" BOP is used the special drilling flange will be utilized on the 13-3/8" head to allow testing the BOP with a retrievable test plug. After setting 8-5/8" the BOP will then be nippled up on the 8 5/8" intermediate casing and tested by a third party to 2000 psi and used continuously until total depth is reached. Pipe rams will be operationally checked each 24-hour period. Blind rams will be operationally checked on each trip out of the hole. These checks will be noted on the daily tour sheets. Other accessories to the BOP equipment (Exhibit #10) will include a Kelly cock and floor safety valve, choke lines and a choke manifold (Exhibit #11) with a 2000 psi WP rating.

The majority of the rigs currently in use have a 13-5/8" BOP, so no special provision is needed for most wells in the area for conventionally testing the BOP with a test plug. However, due to the vagaries of rig scheduling, it might be that one of the few rigs with 11" BOP's might be called upon to drill any specific well in the area. Note that intermediate hole size is always 11". Therefore, COG Operating LLC respectfully requests a variance to the requirement of 13-5/8" See Con BOP on 13-3/8" casing. When that circumstance is encountered the special flange will be utilized to allow testing the entire BOP with a test plug, without subjecting the casing to test pressure. The special flange also allows the return to full-open capability if desired.

#### 7. Types and Characteristics of the Proposed Mud System

The well will be drilled to TD with a combination of brine, cut brine and polymer mud system. The applicable depths and properties of this system are as follows:

DEPTH	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATERLOSS
0-300'	Fresh Water	8.5	. 28	N.C.
300-850' <b>9</b> 00	Brine	10	30	N.C.
850°-TD'	Cut Brine	8.7-9.2	30	N.C.

Sufficient mud materials will be kept at the well site to maintain mud properties and meet minimum lost circulation and weight increase requirements at all times.

#### 8. Auxiliary Well Control and Monitoring Equipment

- A. Kelly cock will be kept in the drill string at all times.
- B. A full opening drill pipe-stabbing valve with proper drill pipe connections will be on the rig floor at all times.

### 9. Logging, Testing and Coring Program See COY

- A. The electric logging program will consist of GR-Dual Laterolog, Spectral Density, Dual Spaced Neutron, CSNG Log and will be run from TD to Surface.
- B. Drill Stem test is not anticipated.
- C. No conventional coring is anticipated.
- D. Further testing procedures will be determined after the 5 ½" production casing has been cemented at TD, based on drill shows and log evaluation.

#### 10. Abnormal Conditions, Pressure, Temperatures and Potential Hazards

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. The estimated bottom hole at TD is 110 degrees and the estimated maximum bottom hole pressure is 2300 psig. Measurable gas volumes or Hydrogen Sulfide levels have not been encountered during drilling operations in this area, although a Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan is attached to this program. No major loss of circulation zones has been reported in offsetting wells.

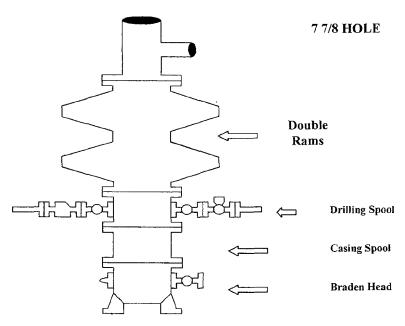
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### 11. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations

Road and location work will not begin until approval has been received from the BLM. As this is a Master Drilling plan, please refer to the Form 3160-3 for the anticipated start date. Once commenced, drilling operations should be finished in approximately 10 days. If the well is productive, an additional 30 days will be required for completion and testing before a decision is made to install permanent facilities.

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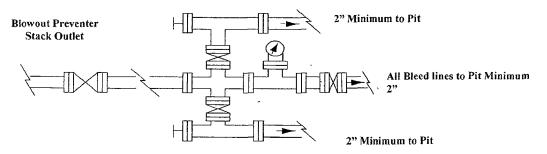
# **Exhibit #9 BOPE and Choke Schematic**



Minimum 4" Nominal choke and kill lines

## Choke Manifold Requirement (2000 psi WP) No Annular Required

#### Adiustable Choke



Adjustable Choke (or Positive)

## NOTES REGARDING THE BLOWOUT PREVENTERS Master Drilling Plan Eddy County, New Mexico

- 1. Drilling nipple to be so constructed that it can be removed without use of a welder through rotary table opening, with minimum I.D. equal to preventer bore.
- 2. Wear ring to be properly installed in head.
- 3. Blow out preventer and all fittings must be in good condition, 2000 psi WP minimum.
- 4. All fittings to be flanged.
- 5. Safety valve must be available on rig floor at all times with proper connections, valve to be full 2000 psi WP minimum.
- 6. All choke and fill lines to be securely anchored especially ends of choke lines.
- 7. Equipment through which bit must pass shall be at least as large as the diameter of the casing being drilled through.
- 8. Kelly cock on Kelly.
- 9. Extension wrenches and hands wheels to be properly installed.
- 10. Blow out preventer control to be located as close to driller's position as feasible.
- 11. Blow out preventer closing equipment to include minimum 40-gallon accumulator, two independent sources of pump power on each closing unit installation all API specifications.

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