## State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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November 30, 2016

Oxy USA Inc. Attn: Mr. David Stewart

## ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

30.015-44683

Administrative Order NSL-7488

Oxy USA Inc. OGRID 16696 Corral Fly 35-26 Federal Com. No. 25H API No. 30-015-pending

## **Proposed Location:**

E/2 E/2 of Section 35

	Footages	Unit	Sec.	Twsp	Range	County_
Surface	140` FNL & 1221` F	EL A	26	24S	29E	Eddy
Penetration Point	340` FNL & 1258` F	EL A	26	24S	29E	Eddy
Final perforation	340` FSL & 1259` FI	EL P	35	24S	29E	Eddy
Terminus	180` FSL & 1260` FI	EL P	35	24S	29E	Eddy
Proposed Project Area:						
Description	Acres	Pool				Pool Code
E/2 E/2 of Section 26	6 160	Pierce Crossi	ng; Bon	e Spring	, East	96473

Reference is made to your application received on November 8, 2016.

You have requested to drill this horizontal well at an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 19.15.15.9.A NMAC, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary, and Rule 19.15.16.14.B (2) NMAC concerning directional wells in designated project areas. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed completed interval are closer to outside boundaries of the proposed project area than any location that would be a standard location under the applicable pool rules. Administrative Order NSL-7488 Oxy USA Inc. November 30, 2016 Page 2 of 2

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Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 19.15.15.13 NMAC and 19.15.4.12.A (2) NMAC.

It is our understanding that you are seeking this NSL in order to allow for efficient spacing of horizontal wells and thereby preventing waste.

It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 19.15.4.12 A (2) NMAC, in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 19.15.15.13 (B) NMAC, the abovedescribed unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 19.15.5.9 NMAC.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DAVID R. CATANACH Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division – Artesia District Bureau of Land Management – Carlsbad Field Office