

## United States Department of the Interior

## **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Farmington District Office 6251 College Blvd. - Suite A Farmington, New Mexico 87402



IN REPLY, REFER TO: JIC464 3162.3-1 (NMF0110)

December 15, 2015

Elm Ridge Exploration Co, Inc. P.O. Box 156 Bloomfield, NM 87413

Dear Sir or Madam:

Reference is made to your Applications to Permit to Drill (APD) for the following wells: Jicarilla Apache JV KD #11, Jicarilla Apache JV KD #12, Jicarilla 78 PC1, Jicarilla 78 PC2, Jicarilla 78 PC3, Jicarilla 77 PC1, Jicarilla 77 PC2, Jicarilla 77 PC3, Jicarilla 13 PC1, Jicarilla 13 PC2, Jicarilla 13 PC3, Jicarilla 13 PC4, Jicarilla 13 PC6, Jicarilla 40 PC2, Rincon B2, and Jicarilla Apache C 2E.

In view of the foregoing, this office has withdrawn these APDs. In addition, we will require a letter confirming that no surface disturbing activities have been conducted at these well sites. Please file the letter within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

Any surface disturbance conducted must be rehabilitated in accordance with the standards and guidelines established by this office. Please contact Flaniken, Jon M, Environmental Protection Specialist at (505) 564-7702 or email at <a href="mailto:mflaniken@blm.gov">mflaniken@blm.gov</a> for information or inspections.

Under 43 CFR 3165.3, you may request an Administrative Review of any instructions, orders, or decisions issued by the Authorized Officer. Such a request, including all supporting documents, must be filed in writing within 20 business days of receipt of this notice and must be filed with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-0115. Such a request will not result in a suspension of the instructions, orders, or decisions unless the reviewing official so determines. Procedures governing appeals from the instructions, orders, or decisions are contained in 43 CFR 3165.4 and 43 CFR 4.400 et. Seq.

If you have any questions, contact Abdelgadir Elmadani at (505) 564-7742.

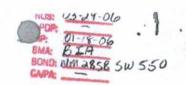
Sincerely,

Abdelgadir Elmadani, Petroleum Engineer

Petroleum Management Team

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CC: Well File NMOCD



FORM APPROVED Form 3160-3 (April 2004) OMB No. 1004-0137 Expires March 31, 2007 UNITED STATES Lease Serial No. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Conoco, Inc BIA CONTRACT 77 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT 6. If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER JICARILLA APACHE NATION 7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No. ✓ DRILL REENTER la. Type of work: N/A 8. Lease Name and Well No. Oil Well Gas Well Other ✓ Single Zone | Multiple Zone lb. Type of Well: JICARILLA 77 PC #2 2. Name of Operator 9. API Well No. ELM RIDGE EXPLORATION COMPANY, LLC 30-039-3b. Phone No. (include area code) 10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory 3a. Address P.O. BOX 156 **BLOOMFIELD, NM 87413** (505) 632-3476 BALLARD PICTURED CLIFFS 11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.\*) 990' FNL & 895' FWL NW NW V At surface 16-23N-5W NMPM At proposed prod. zone SAME 12. County or Parish 13. State 14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office\* 5 AIR MILES NE OF COUNSELOR, NM RIO ARRIBA NM 15. Distance from proposed\* 17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 16. No. of acres in lease location to nearest property or lease line, ft.
(Also to nearest drig, unit line, if any) 895' 2,560 20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file Distance from proposed location\* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 19. Proposed Depth BIA NATION WIDE 886441C 2,300 2,132 23. Estimated duration 21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 22. Approximate date work will start\* 3 WEEKS 6,679' GL 03/15/2006 24. Attachments The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, shall be attached to this form: Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor. Item 20 above). CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL 2. A Drilling Plan. 3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the 5. Operator certification SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service/Office). Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer. Name (Printed/Typed) 25. Signature **BRIAN WOOD** 01/12/2006 Title CONSULTANT PHONE: (505) 466-8120 FAX: (505) 466-9682 Approved by Signature Name (Printed/Typed) 10/20 Title Office Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon, Conditions of approval, if any, are attached Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction. \*(Instructions on page 2)

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