Form 3160 -3 (April 2004)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OMB No. 1004-0137 Expires March 31, 2007

Lease Serial No.

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FORM APPROVED

If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO I	DRILL OR REENTER	RECE	VEDICARILLA A	РАСНЕ	d No. Sun		
la. Type of work:	REENTER 210 FAR				17. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No. N/A		
lb. Type of Well: Oil Well Gas Well Other	8. Lease Name and Well No. JICARILLA 40 PC #2						
2. Name of Operator ELM RIDGE EXPLORATION COMPA	ANY, LLC		9. API Well No. 30-039- 30 -	247			
3a. Address P.O. BOX 156 BLOOMFIELD, NM 87413	3b. Phone No. (include area code) (505) 632-3476	10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory BALLARD PICTURED CLIFFS					
Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any At surface 1660' FSL & 1620' FEL At proposed prod. zone SAME	v State requirements.*)		11. Sec., T. R. M. or B. 35-24N-5W NN		Area		
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 6 MILES NORTHEAST OF COUNSELORS, NM			12. County or Parish RIO ARRIBA	13. S	tate NM		
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 980'	16 No. of acres in lease 2,560	17. Spacin	g Unit dedicated to this v	vell			
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 142' (GD #3)	19 Proposed Depth 2,600 '	20 BLM/BIA Bond No. on file BIA NATION WIDE 886441C					
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 6,790' GL	22. Approximate date work will star 10/01/2007						
	24. Attachments						
 The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshord Well plat certified by a registered surveyor. A Drilling Plan. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System I SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office). 	4 Bond to cover the Item 20 above). Lands, the 5. Operator certific	ne operation ation	is form: ns unless covered by an ormation and/or plans as				
25. Signature	Name (Printed/Typed) BRIAN WOOD			Date 04/13/200)7		
Title CONSULTANT	PHONE: (505) 466-8120	FAX	X: (505) 466-9682				
Approved by (Signature) Original Signed: Stephen Maso	Name (Printed/Typed)			Date JUL	1 6 200		
Title	Office						
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds conduct operations thereon. Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.	legal or equitable title to those right	ts in the sub	ject lease which would e	ntitle the applica	intto		

*(Instructions on page 2)

A COMPLETE C-144 MUST BE SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE NMOCD FOR: A PIT, CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM, BELOW GRADE TANK, OR PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE METHOD, PURSUANT TO NMOCD PART 19.15.17, PRIOR TO THE USE OR CONSTRUCTION OF THE ABOVE APPLICATIONS

NOTIFY AZTEC OCD 24 HRS. PRIOR TO CASING & CEMENT

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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.

This action is subject to technical and procedural review pursuant to 43 CFR 3165.3 and appeal pursuant to 43 CFR 3165.4

DRILLING OPERATIONS AUTHORIZED ARE SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH ATTACHED "GENERAL REQUIREMENTS".

DISTRICT I

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, N.M. 88241-1980

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

DISTRICT II 811 South First, Artesia, N.M. 88210

Instructions on back Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies
Fee Lease - 3 Copies
PM 12: 32

Revised Febuary 21, 1994

Form C-102

DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, N.M. 87410

AMENDED REPORT

2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

TO ADJAR TO ENTER

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Elm Ridge Exploration Company, LLC Jicarilla 40 PC #2 1660' FSL & 1620' FEL Sec. 35, T. 24 N., R. 5 W. Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Drilling Program

1. ESTIMATED FORMATION TOPS

<u>Formation</u>	<u>GL Depth</u>	<u>KB Depth</u>	<u>Elevation</u>
San Jose	0'	12'	+6,790'
Ojo Alamo	1,920'	1,932'	+4,870'
Kirtland	2,070'	2,082'	+4,720'
Fruitland Coal	2,390'	2,402'	+4,400'
Pictured Cliffs	2,415'	2,427'	+4,375'
Lewis	2,590'	2,602'	+4,200'
Total Depth (TD)	2,600'	2,612'	+4,190'

2. NOTABLE ZONES

Oil & Gas Zones	<u>Water Zones</u>	<u>Coal Zone</u>
Pictured Cliffs	San Jose	Fruitland
	Ojo Alamo	

Water zones will be protected with casing, cement, and weighted mud. Fresh water encountered during drilling will be recorded by depth, cased, and cemented. Oil and gas shows will be tested for commercial potential based on the well site geologist's recommendations.

3. PRESSURE CONTROL

The drilling contract has not yet been awarded. Thus, the exact BOP model to be used is not yet known. (A typical 2,000 psi model is on PAGE 3.) BOP and choke manifold system will be installed and tested to ≈ 500 psi before drilling the surface casing plug. It will remain in use until the well is completed or



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abandoned. A safety valve and sub with a full opening valve to fit the drill pipe and collars will be available on the rig floor in the open position at all times for use when kelly is not in use.

All BOP mechanical and pressure tests will be recorded on the driller's log. BOPs will be inspected and opened and closed at least daily to assure good mechanical working order. Inspections will be recorded on the daily drilling report. Pressure tests will be conducted before drilling out from under all casing strings which are set and cemented in place.

4. CASING & CEMENT

<u>Hole Size</u>	<u>O. D.</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Age</u>	Setting Depth
12-1/4"	8-5/8"	24#	J-55 or K-55	ST&C	New	250'
7-7/8"	5-1/2"	1,0.5#	J-55	LT&C	New	2,600'
		15.5#				

Surface casing will be cemented to the surface with ≈ 206 cubic feet (≈ 175 sacks) Class B with 1/4#/sk cellophane + 2% CaCl₂. Yield = 1.18 cubic feet per sack. Weight = 15.2 pounds per gallon. Volume = 100% excess. Centralizers will be installed on the middle of the shoe joint and every other centralizer thereafter. Thread lock the guide shoe and bottom of float collar only. Use API casing dope.

Production casing will be cemented to the surface with ≈ 800 cubic feet (≈ 678 sacks) Class B with 1/4#/sk cellophane + 2% CaCl₂. Yield = 1.18 cubic feet per sack. Weight = 15.2 pounds per gallon. Volume = 75% excess. About six or seven centralizers will be used.



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5. MUD PROGRAM

A nine pound polymer and fresh water mud system with a viscosity of ≈ 35 will be used. Sufficient material to maintain mud properties, control lost circulation, and contain a blowout will be available at the well while drilling.

6. CORES, TESTS, & LOGS

No cores or drill stem tests are planned. DIL/GR log may be run from TD to surface. CNL/FSC log may be run over certain intervals.

7. DOWN HOLE CONDITIONS

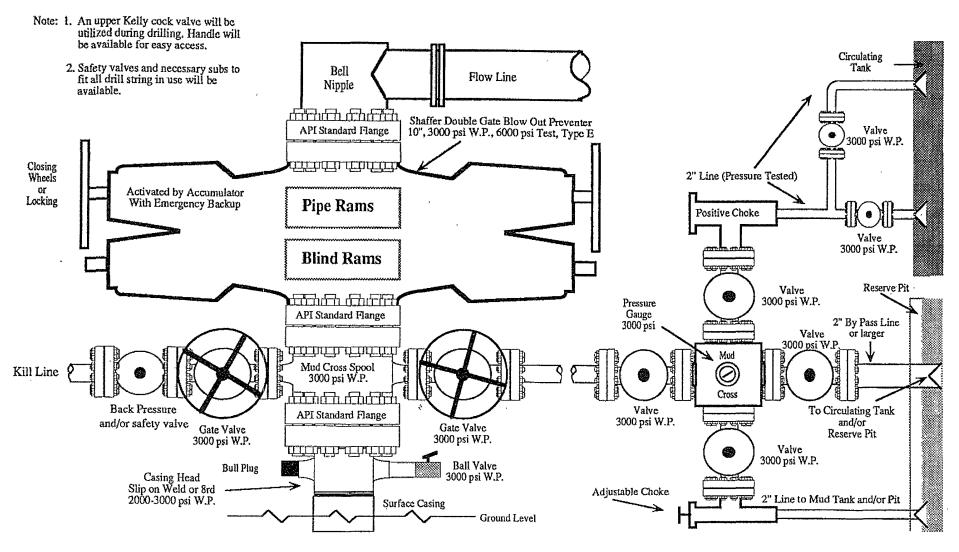
No abnormal pressures, temperatures, nor hydrogen sulfide are expected. Maximum pressure will be $\leq 1,040$ psi.

8. OTHER INFORMATION

The anticipated spud date is upon approval. It is expected it will take ≈ 1 week to drill and ≈ 2 weeks to complete the well.



2,000 PSI BOP SYSTEM



Note: This equipment is designed to meet requirements for a 2-M rating standard per 43 CFR part 3160 (amended). Proper operation and testing of equipment will be carried out per standard. 2,000 psi equipment can be substituted in the drawing to meet minimum requirements per standard.