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October 11, 1956

Mr. A. L. Porter, Secretary-Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Application of Astec Oil & Gas Company for an Exception to Rule 3 of Order R-565, as Amended, for Administrative Approval of a Mon-Standard Drilling Location in the Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

Pursuant to Rule 4 of Order No. R-565, as amended, Aztec Oil & Gas Company hereby submits its application for an exception to Rule 3 of such order and for approval of a non-standard drilling location on the East 3/4ths of Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico.

In support of this application, Aztec Oil & Gas Company respectfully states and shows the following:

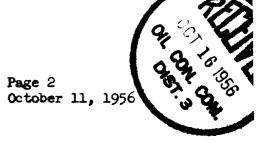
1. Astec Oil & Gas Company and El Paso Natural Gas Company have entered into a Communitization Agreement dated May 25, 1956, communitizing and pooling their respective oil and gas leases to provide for a gas proration unit consisting of the East 3/4ths of Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M., containing 205.08 acres, in accordance with the Commission's Order No. R-658.

2. The proposed non-standard drilling location has been staked 2,000' from the East line and 100' from the South line of Section 8, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico. The approval of this application is requested because of the extreme topographical conditions, both as to roads and location.

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- 3. Attached is a plat reflecting the location of the proposed well, which is to be known as the Reid No. 11, and the offset owners which may possibly be affected by the non-standard location.
- 4. So far as is known to applicant, El Paso Matural Gas Company, El Paso Natural Gas Building, El Paso, Texas, and Delhi-Taylor Oil Corporation, Corrigan Tower Building, Dallas, Texas, are the only operators other than Axtec owning an interest in leases which will be affected by approval of the non-standard drilling location. A copy of this application has been sent to each of these companies, and they are furnishing the Commission with a consent to the non-standard location.

Aztec Oil & Gas Company respectfully requests that under the provisions of Rule 4 of Order No. R-565, as amended, the Secretary-Director of the Commission grant an exception to Rule 3, without notice and hearing, approving the non-standard location hereinabove set forth.

Yours very truly,

AZIEC OIL & GAS COMPANY

Quilman B. Davis, General Attorney

STATE OF TEXAS )
COUNTY OF DALLAS )

Quilman B. Davis, being first duly sworn, hereby states that he is General Attorney of Aztec Oil & Gas Company, the applicant in the foregoing application; that he has executed said application on behalf of Aztec Oil & Gas Company; that he has read said application and to the best of his knowledge, information and belief all statements offact contained therein are true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, this lith day of October, 1956.

My Commission Expires: June 1, 1957

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