

# El Paso Natural Gas Company

El Paso, Texas

April 21, 1961

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
POST OFFICE BOX 997  
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

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

Dear Mr. Porter:

This is a request for administrative approval for an unorthodox gas well location in the Basin Dakota Pool.

It is intended to locate the well, El Paso Natural Gas Co. Michener "A" No. 6, 1840 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico. The N/2 of Section 31 is dedicated to the well.

As shown on the enclosed plat, the NE/4 of Section 31 consists of high bluffs, forming a box canyon with two existing wells, the Michener No. 2-A, completed in the Pictured Cliffs formation and the Michener No. 5-A completed in the Mesa Verde formation. The only accessible land for a well in the NE/4 is that which makes the location unorthodox. It is, therefore planned to make the location unorthodox in order that the extremely high cost of constructing an orthodox location be avoided.

Since El Paso Natural Gas Co. holds all leases within the 790' radius, the consent of any other operators has not been sought to said location.

I am enclosing two copies of the certified well location plat, and two copies of the notice of intention to drill.

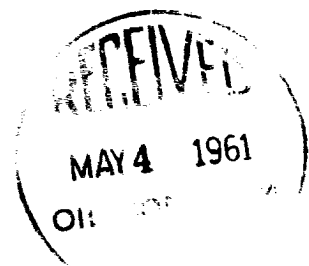
Yours very truly,

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E. S. Oberly,  
Division Petroleum Engineer

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Phil McGrath



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