

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

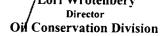
GARY E. JOHNSON

Governor Jennifer A. Salisbury Cabinet Secretary

> **Amoco Production Company** San Juan Business Unit 501 West Lake Park Boulevard Houston, Texas 77079-3092

Attention: **Mary Corley** April 27, 2001

Lori Wrotenbery Director



Re: Administrative application of Amoco Production Company for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, as amended, by Division Orders No. R-10987-B and R-10987-B (1), for the Florance Well No. 30-M to be drilled 1200 feet from the South line and 2050 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 1, Township 29 North, Range 8 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Corley:

It appears that your application is incomplete. In the second paragraph you stated that this unorthodox location is "due to archaeological and surface terrain concerns in the area." Could you please more specific about these concerns and indicate the extent of this "area". Please provide data to support your application.

Further, you stated that "Amoco is the only affected party." Your application would indicate (see your computer generated 9 section plat) and the Division's records confirm that the E/2 of Section 1 is currently dedicated to Koch Exploration Company's Gonsales Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-24487), located at a standard Dakota gas well location 1095 feet from the South line and 1120 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 1. Why is Koch not considered by Amoco to be an "affected party" in this instance?

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, your legal counsel should be able to assist you.

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec cc:

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

William F. Carr, Legal Counsel for Amoco Production Company - Santa Fe

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION COVERSHEET

THIS COVERSHEET IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Application	Acrony	/ms:
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[NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [NSL-Non-Standard Location]
[DD-Directional Drilling] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]
[DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]
[PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]
[WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]
[SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]
[EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

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[1]	[A]	PPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Directional Drilling X NSL NSP DD SD
		Cone Only for [B] and [C] Commingling - Storage - Measurement DHCCTBPLCPCOLSOLM
	[C]	Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery _ WFX _ PMX _ SWD _ IPI _ EOR _ PPR
[2]	NOTIFICAT	TION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or X Does Not Apply _Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
	[B]	_ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
	[C]	_ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
	[D]	_ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
	[E]	_ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
	[F]	_ Waivers are Attached

[3] INFORMATION / DATA SUBMITTED IS COMPLETE - Statement of Understanding

I hereby certify that I, or personnel under my supervision, have read and complied with all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division. Further, I assert that the attached application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and where applicable, verify that all interest (WI, RI, ORRI) is common. I understand that any omission of data, information or notification is cause to have the application package returned with no action taken.

Mary Corley

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Signature

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with supervisory capacity.

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Title

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San Juan Business Unit Amoco Production Company A Part of the BP Amoco Group 501 WestLake Park Blvd. Houston, TX 77079-3092

Phone: 281-366-4491

April 09, 2001

Mr. Michael Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Application For Non-Standard Well Location Florance Well No. 30M 1200' FSL, 2050' FWL, Section 01-T29N-R08W Basin Dakota Gas Pool San Juan County, New Mexico

Amoco Production Company hereby requests administrative approval for an non-standard well location for our Florance well no. 30M to be drilled and completed in both the Basin Dakota and the Blanco Mesaverde Gas Pools and downhole commingled. The subject well will require a non-standard location exception for the Basin Dakota completion as the proposed location does not conform to the Dakota location requirements that stipulate that a well be located no closer than 660' to any outer boundary of the quarter section on which the well is located. The proposed well location is 590' from the east line of the quarter section as shown on the attached Form C-102.

The well was originally proposed to be drilled at a standard location for both formations however, due to archaeological and surface terrain concerns in the area the location had to be changed. We, therefore, respectfully request than administrative approval be granted for this Dakota location due to the archaeological and surface terrain. An application will be made to commingle the Mesaverde and Dakota via a separate application. The well is outside the well location window for the Dakota by being too close to the interior quarter section line thereby crowding our own spacing unit. Amoco is the only affected party.

Additionally, we offer that the Dakota is not a viable stand-alone project. The Mesaverde in the area has been highly productive and poses some drainage concerns, particularly if the location is too close to current producers. By completing the well at the proposed location it conforms to Mesaverde spacing requirements, prevents waste in the Mesaverde, minimizes interference with other Mesaverde wells and allows maximum drainage and recovery of the Mesaverde resource.

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Also attached for your reference is a 9 Section plat with the subject well and surrounding wells identified, a portion of a topographic map with the well identified, and a map indicating directions to the well location.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions concerning this application please do not hesitate to call me at 281-366-4491.

Sincerely

Mary Corley

Sr. Regulatory Analyst corleyml@bp.com

cc:

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Form C-102 Revised February 21, 1994 Instructions on back

Submit to Appropriate District Office

State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	³ Pool Code	¹ Pool Code ¹ Pool Name				
	71599 &72319	BASIN DAKOTA & BLANCO MESA	AVERDE			
Property Code	3]	Property Name	Well Number			
000518	Florance		# 30M			
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000778	AMOCO PRODUCTION	ON COMPANY	6226			

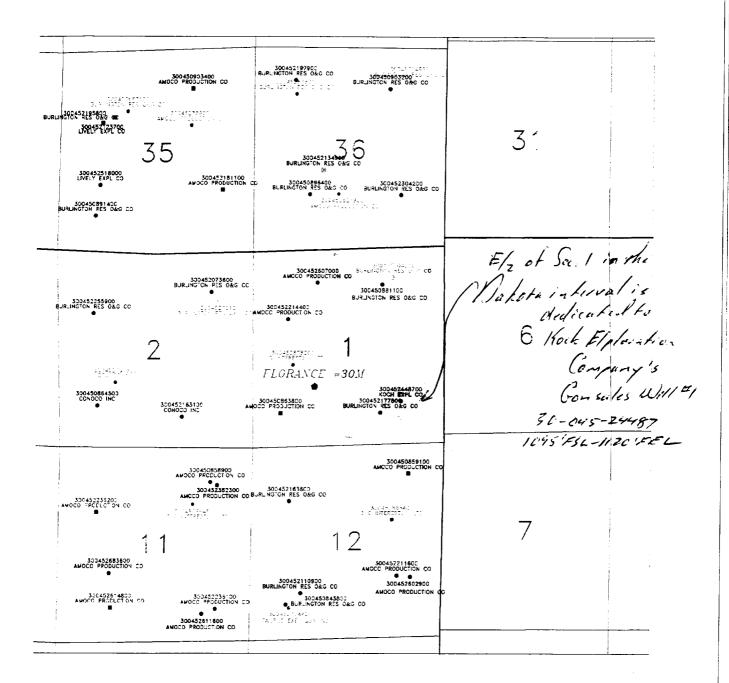
Surface Location

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12 Dedicated Acres	¹³ Join	t or Infill 14	Consolidation	on Code 15	Order No.		<u> </u>			
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

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16 (R)	7667(R) Florance 30 E 36 6-45-266 76	¹⁷ OPERATOR CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the information contained herein is
	390 FNL-1750 FUL	true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief
Lot 4 Lot 3	Speed 19-15-37 Lot 1 Busin Dk. completion Until June 2000	71312
	Committy is a single	Mary Costers
Florance 3DA 36-645-72144		Signature (MARY GORLEY Printed Name
1845 EN2-480 FA Spid: 11-22-76		SR. REGULATORY ANALYST
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		Date 18 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
	Florence Box	I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me
	WIII N. 30	or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.
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- MESHVERSE INACTIVE WELL
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AMOCC PRODUCTION COMPANY HOUSTON, TEXAS

9 Section Plat 29N8W Section 1

Florance 30M

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