

ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Amoco Production Company Security Life Building Denver, Colorado 80202

Attention: Mr. R. B. Giles

Administrative Order NSL-1136

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for a non-standard location for your A. L. Elliott "B" Well No. 8 to be located 1910 feet from the North line and 1490 feet from the East line of Section 10, Township 29 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, Blanco Pictured Cliffs Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

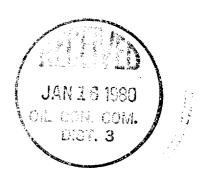
By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 104 F, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

JOE D. RAMEY, Director

JDR/RLS/dr

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec Oil & Gas Engineering Committee - Hobbs U. S. Geological Survey - Farmington



OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION DISTRICT

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION BOX 2088	DATE 12-27-79
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO	RE: Proposed MC Proposed DHC Proposed NSL Proposed SWD Proposed WFX Proposed PMX
Gentlemen:	
	12-18.79 <u>Aliff B #8 G-10-29N-916</u> Well No. Unit, S-T-R
	Yours very truly,
	AR Kendrick



Amoco Production Company

Denver Region Security Life Building Denver, Colorado 80202 303 - 820-4040

December 18, 1979

Joe D. Ramey, Director (3)
Department of Energy and Minerals
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87501

File: HAS-289-986.511

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Application for Unorthodox Well Location, A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8, NE/4 Section 10, T29N, R9W, Blanco Pictured Cliffs Well, San Juan County, New Mexico



By this verified application submitted in triplicate, Amoco requests approval to drill an unorthodox location and to produce gas from the Pictured Cliffs formation at its A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8 to be located 1,910' FNL and 1,490' FEL of Section 10, T29N, R9W. Permissible location for a Blanco Pictured Cliffs well must be at least 660' from the outer boundary line of the 160-acre proration unit and be at least 330' from the inner subdivision lines of the quarter section. It is the 330' setback requirement that creates the need for this exception request.

The reason for the unorthodox location is highly irregular topography involving cliffs (refer to diagram on Form C-107). The unorthodox location selected is therefore in a low area below the cliffs.

The only affected offset operator, other than Amoco, is El Paso Natural Gas Company, owner of the SW/4 of Section 2, T29N, R9W, with its "E" No. 6 well located thereon (refer to the location plat that is attached). By the attached Verification and Affidavit that is a part of this application, El Paso is being notified by certified mail of this unorthodox location request. In the absence of an objection

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from El Paso within twenty (20) days after you have received this application, and provided you have no objection to this application, we shall appreciate receiving your administrative approval of this letter application. Of course, if there is an objection, please set the matter for hearing after giving proper notice.

Very trul yours,
R. B. Giles

RBG/mlm

Enclosures

cc: A. R. Kendrick, Supervisor District III
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, NM 87410

P. T. McGrath United States Geological Survey P. O. Box 965 Farmington, NM 87401

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VERIFICATION AND AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF COLORADO)
: SS.
COUNTY OF DENVER)

R. B. Giles, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on his oath, deposes and says:

That he is employed in an engineering capacity by Amoco Production Company in its Denver, Colorado office; that he has been qualified as an expert engineering witness by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and his qualifications have been made of record; that he has testified numerous times before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on well spacing matters; that Amoco's application for approval to drill and to produce its A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8 as a Pictured Cliffs well located 1910' FNL and 1490' FEL of Section 10-T29N-R9W, as an unorthodox location in the Blanco Pictured Cliffs pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, was prepared under his direction and supervision; that the matters and things therein set forth are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and beliefs; and that a copy thereof was sent by certified mail from Applicant's Denver, Colorado Office on December 18, 1979, to the following affected offset operator, at the address shown herein, to wit:

> John A. Ahlm El Paso Exploration Company P. O. Box 289 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

and to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, the operator above named is the only operator to whom notice of such application is required to be given in accordance with Rule 104 of the Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

R. B. Giles

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December, 1979.

My Commission expires:

My Grammission Supires Aug. 15, 1980

Notary Public

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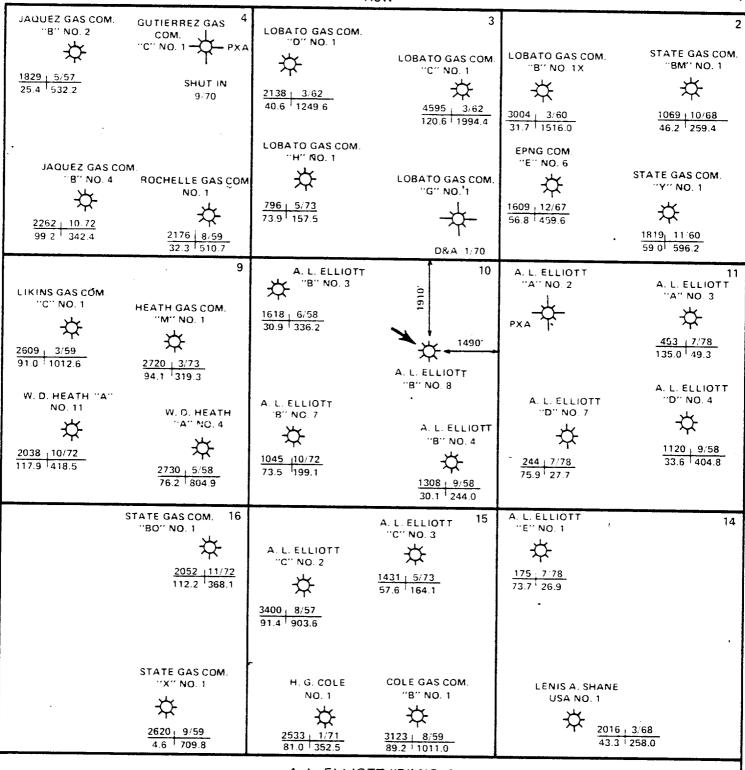
STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

Form C-107 Revised 10-1-78

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