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October 12, 1990

BHP Petroleum 5847 San Felipe Suite 3600 Houston, TX 77057

Attention: Chuck Williams

Administrative Order NSL-2892

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Dear Mr. Williams:

Reference is made to your application dated September 5, 1990 for a non-standard coal gas well location for your Gallegos Canyon Unit Well No. 397 to be located 1555 feet from the South line and 1965 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 36, Township 29 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, Basin Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. The W/2 of said Section 36 shall be dedicated to the well forming a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of the Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

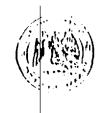
Sincerely,

William J. LeMay

Director

WJL/MES/ag

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec NM State Land Office - Santa Fe



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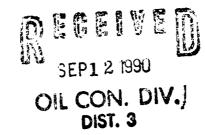
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Date: 10-3-90 ATTN: 201. Stogner
Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2006 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088
Re: Proposed MC Proposed DMC Proposed MSL Proposed SWD Proposed WFX Proposed PMX
Gentlemen:
I have examined the application dated 9-12-90
for the the Conservable Jones & Well No.
K-36-19N-13W and my recommendations are as follows:
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Yours truly,
Juin Bunels

September 5, 1990





State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

RE:

Unorthodox Location, Administrative Approval Request Gallegos Canyon Unit #397
NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 36 T29N R13W
San Juan County, New Mexico



Gentlemen:

BHP Petroleum respectfully requests that a non standard location be administratively approved to allow the GCU #397 well to be drilled 1555' FSL and 1965' FWL to be completed in the Fruitland Coal formation.

The non standard location is requested due to topographical reasons. A standard location is not possible due to steep terrain and massive rock out croppings.

The subject location is immediately adjacent to the existing Amoco well location # 189-E producing from the Dakota formation.

BHP is the operator of all offsetting proration units.

Ernie Busch visited the subject location with J. C. Harris and myself on August 10, 1990 and concurred that the subject location was the most feasible.

For both economical and mechanical reasons BHP doesn't think that directionally drilling the proposed well to a standard location is feasible. Economically it is not feasible based on the extra expense of drilling a directional hole compared to the anticipated production. Our experience has shown that a rod pump will have to be installed to remove excess water from the well bore and a directionally drilled hole would greatly hinder or prohibit that.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chuck Williams

Field Services Administrator

Chuck Williams

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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

APPROVED BY

State of New Mexico

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89°57'W

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section Operator Well No GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC. 397 Township Unit Letter Section Range County 29 N 13 W K 36 San Juan **NMPM** Actual Footage Location of Well: 1555 South 1965 feet from the West line and feet from the line Ground level Elev. Producing Formation Dedicated Acreage: 5473 Fruitland Coal 1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below. 2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty). 3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interest of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.? Yes ີ No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if neccessary. No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division. 330 990 1320 1650 1980 2310 2640 500 **OPERATOR CERTIFICATION** I hereby certify that the information 80.16cm contained herein in true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Printed Name Chuck Williams ECEIVE Position Field Services Administrator Company BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc. SEP1 2 1990 August 3, 1990 OIL CON. DIV. DIST 3 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the well location shows on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervison, and that the same is true a correct to the best of my knowledge is belief. 7-13-90 Date Surveyed William B. Mahnke II Signature & Sear of MAHA ω . 1965' 3 0 PROFESSIONAL

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BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC. GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT NO. 397 1555' FSL & 1965' FWL SECTION 36 T29N-R13W SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TEN POINT PROGRAM

1. Surface Formation: Ojo Alamo

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3. <u>Estimated Formation Tops:</u>

<u>Formation</u>	Top	Expected Production
Kirtland Fruitland	56 992	
Basal Fruitland Coal	1259	Gas
Pictured Cliffs	1286	Gas
Total Depth	1436	

Casing and Cementing Program: A string of 7" 20# K-55 casing with ST&C couplings is to be set at ±130' in an 8 3/4" hole and cemented to the surface in a single stage with 50 sx Class 'H' cement (yield = 1.15 ft³/sx) containing 3 % CaCl, and ½ #/sx celloflake. Slurry volume assumes a 100 percent excess over calculated hole volume. Centralizers will be run on the bottom two joints as long as boulders are not encountered while drilling the surface hole. If boulders are encountered while drilling the surface hole, no centralizers will be run as it has been BHP P(A)'s experience centralizers have a tendency to knock off boulders and hang up the casing while running in the hole. Minimum clearance between collars and hole is 1.094". Prior to drilling out shoe, casing and BOPE will be tested to a minimum of 2000 psi. Safety factors utilized in the design of this casing string were: Burst = 1.1, Collapse = 1.125, and Tension = 1.8 or 100,000# overpull whichever was greater.

A production string of $4\frac{1}{2}$ " 10.5# K-55 casing with ST&C couplings will be run from the surface to total depth in a $6\frac{1}{4}$ " hole. This string will be cemented to the surface with a minimum of 132 sx of 50-50 pozmix containing 2 % gel, 0.5 % fluid loss additive and $\frac{1}{4}$ #/sx celloflake (yield = 1.26 ft³/sx) followed by 50 sx of Class 'G' cement containing low fluid loss additives (yield = 1.15 ft³/sx). Slurry volume assumes a 50 percent excess over calculated hole volume. Cement volume is subject to change after review and recalculation of hole volume from the open hole calipers. Centralizers will

be spaced such that a minimum of two are located above and two are located below the Basal Fruitland Coal; and, if any Ojo Aloma is present in the open hole section at the top of the hole, a minimum of one centralizer will be run just below the base and another into the base of Ojo Alamo. Minimum clearance between collars and hole is 1.25". Prior to perforating the casing for any attempted completion, the casing will be tested to a minimum of 2500 psi. Safety factors utilized in the design of this casing string were: Burst = 1.1, Collapse = 1.125, and Tension = 1.8 or 100,000# overpull whichever was greater.

A chronological log following the completion of the cementing operations detailing the pump rate, pump pressure, slurry density, and slurry volume for each job will be submitted in a Sundry Notice.

5. Pressure Control Equipment: (See attached schematic diagrams) A minimum of a 2M BOPE well control system will be utilized. BOP's and choke manifold will be installed and pressure tested before drilling out under surface casing and then will be checked daily as to mechanical operation condition. Ram type preventors will be tested to 70 percent of the internal yield pressure of the casing. The annular preventor will be tested to 50 percent of its working pressure.

A full opening internal blowout preventor or drill pipe safety valve will be on the drilling floor at all times and will be capable of fitting all connections.

6. Mud Program: A fresh water Low Solids, Non-Dispersed mud system will be used to drill this well. Sufficient materials will be on location at all times to maintain mud properties and to control any unforeseen lost circulation problems or abnormal pressures in the Farmington Sands of the Kirtland Formation. All drilling fluids will be contained in a steel pit. At the completion of drilling, the drilling fluid will be hauled off to be used for another well. The remaining accumulation of solids in the pit will be dumped into a small earthen pit beside the steel pit. As soon as this pit dries up, it will be covered up.

Mud program summary is as follows:

Interval	Mud Weight	Viscosity
<u>(feet)</u>	(#/gal)	<u>(sec/qt)</u>
0 - 1000	8.4 or less	30 - 38
1000 - TD	9.3 or less	40 - 55

7. Auxiliary Equipment:

An upper Kelly Cock will be utilized. At a minimum, a flow sensor will be installed in the system and the mud volume constantly be visually monitored.

8. <u>Logging Program:</u> SP-DIL and GR-FDC-CNL logs will be run from TD to surface casing shoe.

Coring Program: No cores are planned.

Testing Program: No tests are planned.

<u>Stimulation Program:</u> Perf the Basal Fruitland Coal with 2 JSPF and frac with 50,000 gals of either a 70 quality nitrogen foam or a crosslinked-gelled water containing a minimum of 50,000 lbs of 20-40 mesh sand.

9. <u>Abnormal Pressure:</u> Although not expected, abnormal pressures are possible in the Farmington Sands of the Kirtland Formation.

Estimated Bottom Hole Pressure: 400 psi.

10. <u>Anticipated Starting Date:</u> As soon as all required approvals are received.

<u>Duration of Operation:</u> It is anticipated a total of 4 days will be required for drilling operations and 5 days for completion operations.

BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC. GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT #397 1555'FSL & 1965'FWL Sec.36, T29N, R13W San Juan Co., N.M.

