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Reply to 2820

Date August 3, 1988

Mr. James Hazen  
Nassau Resources, Inc.  
P.O. Box 809  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

Dear James:

It was brought to my attention by Mike Atchison that you will be needing to apply for some unorthodox locations for some of the wells in the Carracas Unit. The current location in need of unorthodox approval is the well location just northwest of the Carracas Administrative site, Section 18, T. 32 N., R. 4 W. The need for moving the location to the new site is based upon wildlife habitat protection and in keeping within the guidelines set forth in the Carson Forest Plan. The Plan, as you know, has a major emphasis in wildlife and wildlife habitat. Also key to this request for moving the location is the current Off-Road-Vehicle restriction policy in place over the entire Carracas Unit. This restriction is in place to limit off-road-vehicle travel within a key wildlife management area so that security area will not be lost by unnecessary road construction.

Whenever possible, locations will be required to be placed along open access roads. Further unorthodox locations can be expected within the Carracas Unit to keep in line with the management direction set forth for this area.

Because of this management direction and the probability of future relocations, I would hope the approval of these unorthodox locations can become routine. If not, please don't hesitate to contact me for further help or if needed to appear in person before the approving officer. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

*Philip R. Settles*

PHILIP R. SETTLES  
District Forest Ranger

Jerome P. McHugh  
Farmington, N.M.

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Application for Directional  
Drilling  
Carracas Unit 17 B #14