



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
2040 South Pacheco Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505
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July 8, 1999

Koch Exploration Company
P.O. Box 2256
Wichita, Kansas 67201

Attention: Shelly Wilber

RE: C-142 Application for New Well Status
Carle No. 1, API No. 30-045-09395
Carle No. 2, API No. 30-045-09400

Dear Ms. Wilber:

Division Rule 34, New Well Tax Incentive, states:

34.A. Applicability

These rules apply to any new natural gas or oil well for which drilling commenced after January 1, 1999 and before July 1, 2000.

34.B. Definitions

"New well" means a crude oil or natural gas producing well for which drilling commenced after January 1, 1999 and before July 1, 2000, or a horizontal crude oil or natural gas well that was recompleted from a vertical well by drilling operations that commenced after January 1, 1999 and before July 1, 2000, that has been approved and certified as such by the Division.

Pursuant to Division Rule 34, vertical recompletions/reentries do not qualify as new wells, therefore your applications are hereby denied.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-8183.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Ashley".

Mark Ashley
Petroleum Engineering Specialist