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December 26, 2013

ConocoPhillips Company Attn: Ms. Susan Maunder

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6977 Administrative Application Reference No. pPRG1333948854

ConocoPhillips Company OGRID 217817 Ruby Federal Well No. 8 API No. 30-025-40521

Proposed Location: Section Township Footages Unit Range County Surface 1000 FSL & 620 FEL 17S 32E Ρ 18 Lea **Bottom Hole** 990 FSL & 1099 FEL 18 17S 32E Lea Ρ

Proposed Unit:			
Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
SE/4 SE/4 of Section 18	40	Maljamar;Yeso, West	44500
SE/4 SE/4 of Section 18	40	Maljamar; Grayburg-San Andres	43329

Reference is made to your application received on December 5, 2013.

You have requested an administrative approval an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pools or formations. This location is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A [19.15.15.9.A NMAC], which provides for 40-acre units with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is less than 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. Since July 30, 2012, the vertical well has produced from the previously mentioned pools. Then a deviated borehole was drilled on September 16, 2013. Presently, both boreholes are now producing from the pools, based on consultation with District I, and OCD records. The District I geologist has recommended approval of this non-standard location. December 20, 2013 Page 2

This well is already subject to DHC Order 4627, which was issued administratively on July 15, 2013.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 [19.15.15.13 NMAC] and 4.12.A(2) [19.15.4.12.A(2) NMAC].

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location to recover additional oil and gas reserves.

It is also understood that notice of this application to offsetting operators or owners is unnecessary due to common ownership.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9 [19.15.15.9 NMAC].

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

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Jami Bailey Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs Bureau of Land Management-Carlsbad