## State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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February 18, 2016

OXY USA INC. Attn: Mr. David Stewart

## ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION

## Administrative Order NSL-7389 Administrative Application Reference No. pMAM1604839461

OXY USA INC OGRID 16696 Cedar Canyon "22" Federal Com. Well No. 4 H API No. 30-015-PENDING

## **Proposed Location:**

•	Footages	Unit	Sec.	Twsp	Range	County_
Surface	2540` FSL & 260` FE	LI	22	24S	29E	Eddy
Penetration Point	2570°FSL & 335° FE	LI	22	24S	29E	Eddy
Final perforation	2570° FSL & 335° FV	VL L	22	24S	29E	Eddy
Terminus	2570` FSL & 80` FW	L L	22	24S	29E	Eddy
Proposed Project Area:						
Description	Acres	Pool				Pool Code
N/2 S/2 of Section 22	160	Pierce C	rossing; Bon	e Spring	g, East	96473

Reference is made to your application received on January 19, 2016.

You have requested to drill and complete this horizontal well at an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 19.15.15.9.A NMAC, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary, and Rule 19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC concerning directional wells in designated project areas. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed completed interval are closer to outside boundaries of the proposed project area than any location that would be a standard location under the applicable pool rules.

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

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location to allow efficient spacing for horizontal wells and thereby preventing waste.

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It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 19.15.4.12 A (2) NMAC, in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 9.15.15.13 (B) NMAC, the abovedescribed 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 19.15.5.9 NMAC.

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

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on February 18, 2016.

DAVID R. CATANACH Director

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