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April 28, 2006

### Hand Delivered

Michael E. Stogner Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to Division Rule 104.F(2), Apache Corporation applies for administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for the following well:

Well Name:

Hawk B-1 Well No. 51

Well Location:

1280 feet FSL & 2515 FWL

Well Unit:

SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 8 Township 21 South, Range 37 East,

N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

The well will test the Grayburg formation (Penrose Skelly Pool). The pool is developed on statewide rules, with 40 acre spacing and wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to a quarter-quarter section line. (The well be drilled to the San Andres formation, but will not be produced from that zone at this time.)

The application is based on engineering reasons. A complete discussion, with exhibits, is attached as Exhibit A (which includes a Form C-102). The well is located approximately equidistant between four Grayburg wells. The well data shows that wells in the Grayburg drain less than 40 acres. Therefore, the proposed location will recover undrained reserves in the Grayburg. The SW¼NE¼ will be simultaneously dedicated to the proposed well and the existing Hawk B-1 Well No. 16.

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660 FSL - 1980 Fue

Exhibit B is a land plat. The Hawk B (federal) lease, which has common ownership in the Grayburg and San Andres formations, covers, among other acreage, the SE½ and E½SW¼ of

Section 8. No offset owner is adversely affected by the application, and notice has not been provided to anyone.

Please call me if you need any further information on this matter.

Very truly yours,

lames Bruce

Attorney for Apache Corporation

Application of Apache Corporation for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location:

40 acres – 1280' FSL & 2515' FWL
Section 8, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM
Lea County, New Mexico

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE: GRAYBURG

SECONDARY OBJECTIVE: SAN ANDRES

### In support:

1. Apache Corporation (Apache) is the operator of the proposed **Hawk B-1 #51** well (**Exhibit 1**). The proposed total depth is 4400' in the San Andres formation.

2. The location encroaches toward the following Penrose Skelly; Grayburg Oil wells (Exhibit 2).

OPER	WELL	LOC	RESERVOIR	CUM	DAILY
				O/G/W	O/G/W
Apache	Hawk B-1 #22	08-J	Grayburg	10/71/89	17/281/373
Apache	Hawk B-1 #29	08-K	Grayburg	11/171/373	10/322/795
Apache	Hawk A #16	08-N	Grayburg	12/101/13	3/77/4
Apache	Hawk B-1 #12	08-O	Grayburg	78/823/40	2/24/2

Oil in MBO BOPD
Gas in MMCFG MCFGPD
Water in MBW BWPD

3. The proposed **Hawk B-1 #51** unorthodox Grayburg location of 1280' from south line and 2515' from west line is based on drainage considerations.

### a) Grayburg Reservoir

The Grayburg is a series of alternating subtidal and supratidal dolomites, with the subtidal rock having porosity and hydrocarbons and the supratidal rock being tight. The Grayburg environments varied rapidly so that porous and tight intervals do not necessarily correlate well-to-well. Tight dolomite and/or anhydrite intervals within the Grayburg additionally create vertical hydraulic barriers between different zones of porosity. Average porosity of the Grayburg is less than 10%, and average permeability is less than 1 millidarcy. Grayburg wells are thus not capable of draining the 40 Acre Spacing Unit.



The reservoir was analyzed by mapping hydrocarbon pore volume (SoPhiH) (Exhibit 3). SoPHiH is the product of feet of net pay (H) times average porosity (PhiA) times oil saturation (So). The values were obtained as follows:

- Net Pay was read from modern neutron-density logs which have contractor calculated cross-plotted porosity (XPhi) using a minimum of 6% and a maximum of 18%. Additionally, gamma ray (40 APIU) and water saturation (10% - 50%, using a standard equation with a=1 and m=n=2) cutoffs were also employed.
- 2. Average Porosity was calculated for intervals meeting those criteria.
- Oil Saturation is the additive inverse of water saturation.

The following table provides drainage areas calculated from the SoPhiH map and reserves of the offsetting wells.

OPER	WELL	LOC	AREA A	EUR MBO	EUR MMCFG
Apache	Hawk B-1 #22	08-J	27	107	1180
Apache	Hawk B-1 #29	08-K	8	49	861
Apache	Hawk B-1 #16	08-N	4	22	254
Apache	Hawk B-1 #12	08-O	17	87	943

The intent of the well is to recover reserves that cannot be recovered by the existing wells. The location was placed in the center of the vacant area between the existing wells. The location was then moved due to surface conditions and cultural obstructions.

Reserves for the proposed location were calculated by planimetering the undrained area of the SoPhiH isopach which lies under a drainage circle (the size of which is the average of the direct offset drainage areas) centered on the proposed location. Any competitive drainage is shared between the proposed well and the existing offset wells. The results are as follows:

WELL	LOC	SoPhiH	AREA	EUR	EUR
			Α	MBO	MMCFG
Hawk B-1 #51	08-N	6.32	14	64	515

### 4. Notice

Apache is the operator of the Grayburg wells toward which the proposed well will encroach. It is contained within one oil and gas lease (Hawk A Federal NM 031741(a) which includes, among other acreage, all of E/2SW/4 §8 and all of SE/4 §8) with common working and revenue interest owners. Therefore, there are no adversely affected parties and no one was notified of the application.

5.	Approval of this application	on will affor	d the interest	owners in thes	e spacing units
	Approval of this application an opportunity to recover	oil and gas	which would	not otherwise	be recovered.
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### State of New Mexico

DISTRICT I LOZS N. FRENCH DR., HORBS, NM 86240 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102

DISTRICT IV

DISTRICT II 1301 W. GRAND AVENUE, ARTESIA, NW 80210 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 SOUTH ST. FRANCIS DR. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Revised JUNE 10, 2003 Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

DISTRICT III

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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ST. PRANCIS DR., SANTA FE. NM 87	505	AMENDED RI	
API Number	Paol Cade	Pool Name	
Property Code	Property Name	Weit Number	
	HAWK B-1	51	
OGRID No.	Operator Name	Elevation	
	APACHE CORPORATION	3511'	

### Surface Location

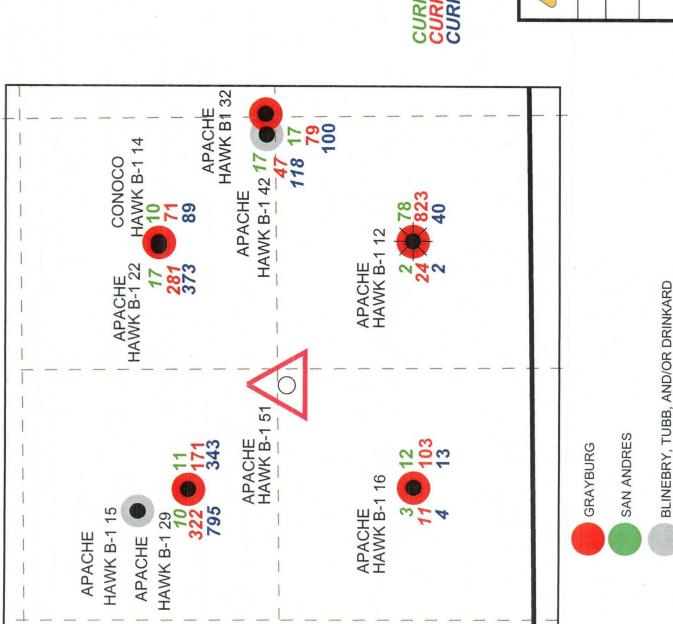
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### Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

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### NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED

OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HA	S BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION
	OPERATOR CERTIFICATION  I hereby certify the the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEODETIC COORDINATES	Signature
NAD 27 NME	Printed Name
Y=543730.2 N X=854061.6 E	Title
LAT.=32°29'22.51" N LONG.=103°11'06.25" W	Date SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
	I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervison and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.
3514.4' 3515.4' 3515.4' 3515.4' 3505.6' 3507.4'	NOVEMBER 30, 2005  Date Surveyed Manual JR  Signature & Scal 510 Min.  Professional Surveyor 0  Davy 15-14705  05.11 819
	Certificate No. Ronald 1 Elisson 3239 GARY EDSON 12841



### WELL SYMBOLS

- Location Only

Oil Well

- ☆ Gas Well

## POSTED WELL DATA

WELL LABEL **OPERATOR** 

MBO

CURRENT BOPD CURRENT MCFD CURRENT BWPD

MMCFG MBW

### CONTRAL REGION

TWO WARREN PLACE, SUITE 1500 6120 SOUTH YALE TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136-4224

## HAWK B-1

SEC 8-TZ15-R37E LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

### WELL INFORMATION EXHIBIT

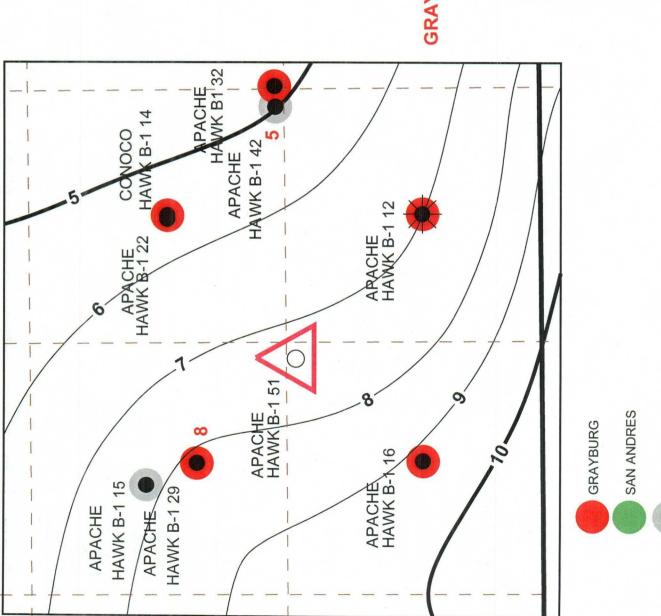
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### WELL SYMBOLS

- Location Only
- Oil Well
- ☆ Gas Well
  - 0 Dry

## POSTED WELL DATA

OPERATOR WELL LABEL

# **GRAYBURG SOPHIH**



TWO WARREN PLACE, SUITE 1500 6120 SOUTH YALE TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136-4224

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SEC 8-TZ1S-R37E LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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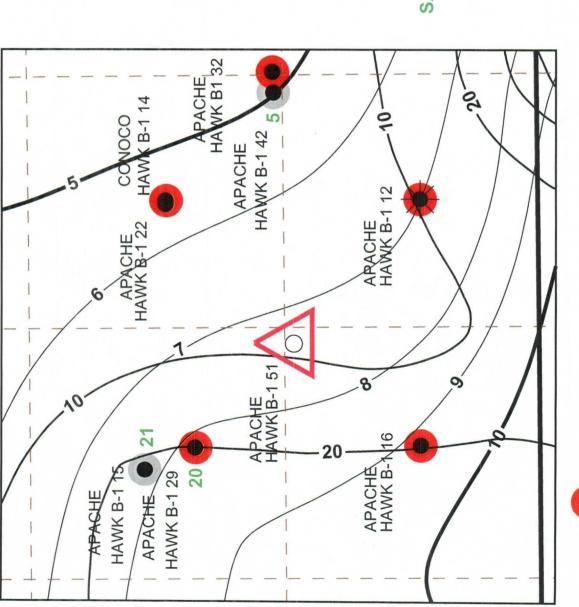
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### WELL SYMBOLS

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## POSTED WELL DATA

OPERATOR WELL LABEL

SAN ANDRES PAY



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# **HAWK B-1** 51

SEC 8-TZ1S-R37E LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

## **EXHIBIT 4**

SAN ANDRES PAY

DATE: 12/20/05

DWG: CURTIS/GBSA-NSL/WELL (EX4)

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SAN ANDRES

GRAYBURG

