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Attention: **Richard Corcoran**
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Administrative Order NSL-5379-A

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated May 17, 2006 that was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on May 19, 2006 (*administrative application reference No. pTDS0-613956394*); and (ii) the Division's records in Aztec and Santa Fe, including the file on Division Administrative Order NSL-5379 (*administrative application reference No. pTDS0-612332907*): all concerning CDX Rio, L.L.C.'s ("CDX") request for exceptions to the well location requirements provided within the:

(A) "*Special Rules for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-A, issued in Case No. 12069 and dated February 1, 1999, as amended by Division Order No. R-10987-A (1), dated December 2, 2002; and

(B) "*Special Rules for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-B, issued in Case No. 12290 and dated June 30, 2000, as amended by Division Orders No. R-10987-B (1), dated August 10, 2000, and R-10987-B (2), dated January 29, 2002.

CDX proposes to drill its Jicarilla "A" Well No. 2-M at an unorthodox infill gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde (72319) and Basin-Dakota (71599) Pools 2245 feet from the South line and 305 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 18, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Gas production from the deeper Basin-Dakota Pool is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the E/2 of Section 18, which is currently dedicated to CDX's three: (i) Jicarilla "A" Well No. 2 (API No. 30-039-08136), located at a standard gas well location 790 feet from the North line and 1850 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 18; (ii) Jicarilla "A" Well No. 2-E (API No. 30-039-22581), located at a standard infill gas well location 1120 feet from the South line and 1520 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 18; and (iii) Jicarilla "A" Well No. 2-F (API No. 30-039-29690), located at an unorthodox infill gas well location 540 feet from the North line and 665 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 18.

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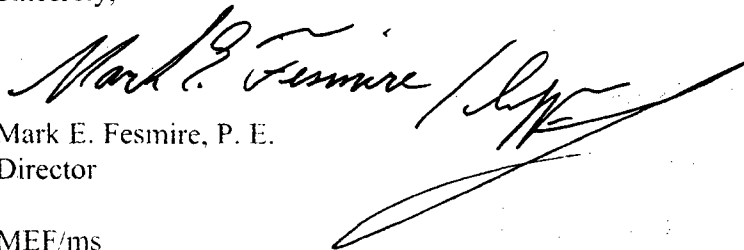
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Gas production from the shallower Blanco-Mesaverde Pool is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up GPU that also comprises the E/2 of Section 18 and is currently dedicated to CDX's two above-described Jicarilla "A" Wells No. 2 and 2-F.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing both pools.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox Basin-Dakota/Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location for CDX's proposed Jicarilla "A" Well No. 2-M is hereby approved. All of the aforementioned wells and both spacing units will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest New Mexico.

Sincerely,



Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.
Director

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cc: U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Farmington
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec
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