

Amoco Production Company Denver Region

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December 18, 1979

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Joe D. Ramey, Director (3) Department of Energy and Minerals Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87501

File: HAS-289-986.511

Dear Mr. Ramey:

SANTA SE DIVISION

Application for Unorthodox Well Location, <u>A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8,</u> <u>NE/4 Section 10, T29N, R9W,</u> <u>Blanco Pictured Cliffs Well</u>, *Poo /* <u>San Juan County, New Mexico</u>

By this verified application submitted in triplicate, Amoco requests approval to drill an unorthodox location and to produce gas from the Pictured Cliffs formation at its A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8 to be located <u>1,910' FNL and 1,490' FEL</u> of <u>Section 10, T29N, R9W</u>. Permissible location for a Blanco Pictured Cliffs well must be at least 660' from the outer boundary line of the 160-acre proration unit and be at least 330' from the inner subdivision lines of the quarter section. It is the 330' setback requirement that creates the need for this exception request.

The reason for the unorthodox location is highly irregular topography involving cliffs (refer to diagram on Form C-107). The unorthodox location selected is therefore in a low area below the cliffs.

The only affected offset operator, other than Amoco, is El Paso Natural Gas Company, owner of the SW/4 of Section 2, T29N, R9W, with its "E" No. 6 well located thereon (refer to the location plat that is attached). By the attached Verification and Affidavit that is a part of this application, El Paso is being notified by certified mail of this DECOM Joe D. Ramey December 18, 1979 Page Two

from El Paso within twenty (20) days after you have received this application, and provided you have no objection to this application, we shall appreciate receiving your administrative approval of this letter application. Of course, if there is an objection, please set the matter for hearing after giving proper notice.

Very trul yours Giles R.

RBG/mlm

Enclosures

cc: A. R. Kendrick, Supervisor District III New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, NM 87410

> P. T. McGrath United States Geological Survey P. O. Box 965 Farmington, NM 87401

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## VERIFICATION AND AFFIDAVIT

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STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF DENVER

ss.

R. B. Giles, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on his oath, deposes and says: |

That he is employed in an engineering capacity by Amoco Production Company in its Denver, Colorado office; that he has been qualified as an expert engineering witness by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and his gualifications have been made of record; that he has testified numerous times before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on well spacing matters; that Amoco's application for approval to drill and to produce its A. L. Elliott "B" No. 8 as a Pictured Cliffs well located 1910' FNL and 1490' FEL of Section 10-T29N-R9W, as an unorthodox location in the Blanco Pictured Cliffs pool in San Juan County, New Mexico, was prepared under his direction and supervision; that the matters and things therein set forth are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and beliefs; and that a copy thereof was sent by certified mail from Applicant's Denver, Colorado Office on December 18, 1979, to the following affected offset operator, at the address shown herein, to wit:

> John A. Ahlm El Paso Exploration Company P. O. Box 289 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

and to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, the operator above named is the only operator to whom notice of such application is required to be given in accordance with Rule 104 of the Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Giles

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December, 1979.

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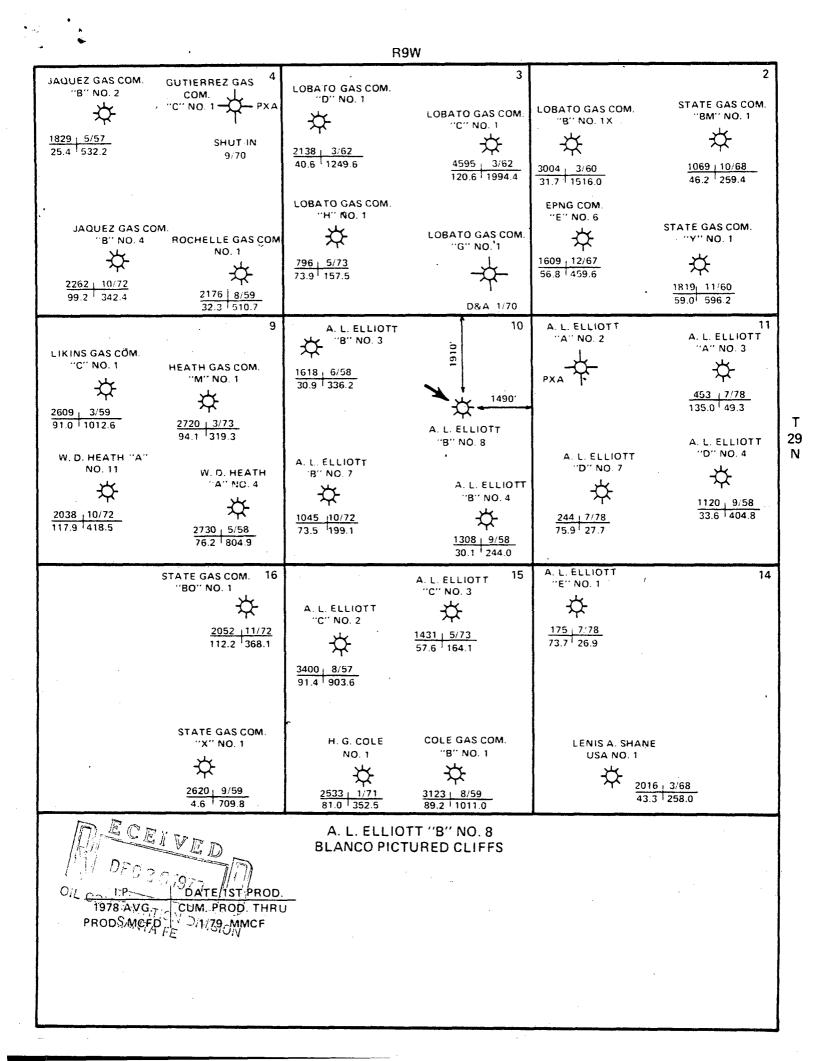
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## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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## Tenneco Oil

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CERTIFIED MAIL Return Receipt Requested

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, New Mexico 87401

Attention: Mr. A. R. Kendrick

Re: Application for Unorthodox Location Tenneco Hughes "A" #6 Proposed Dakota Gas Well San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Attached in duplicate (to each office) are a well location plat C-102 with a sketch of the surrounding topography and an ownership plat for the above captioned Dakota gas well.

Penthouse

720 South Colorado Blvd.

Denver, Colorado 80222 (303) 758-7130

December 7, 1979

CONTO JA

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The Hughes "A" #6 proposed site is 2025' FWL, 2195' FNL, Sec. 33 T29N-R8W, San Juan County, New Mexico. This places the well only 445' from the nearest governmental quarter boundary line. This was the only feasible site due to topographical conditions as sketched on the C-102.

A copy of this application is being submitted to all offset operators by certified mail with a request that they furnish your Santa Fe office with a waiver of objection.

Pursuant to authority of Rule 104-F, we respectfully request your approval of an exception to the standard well location requirements.

Very truly yours,

January 2

TENNECO OIL COMPANY

J. M. Lacev Division Production Manager

1980

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Enclosures

WAIVER

El Paso Exploration Co. hereby waives objection to Tenneco Oil Company's application for unorthodox location for their Hughes "A" #6 approposed above.

By: Date:



P. O. BOX 289 FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO 87401 PHONE: 505-325-2841

January 2, 1980

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Attention: Mr. J. D. Ramey-Director Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Re: Amoco Production Request for Unorthodox Location, Blanco PC A. L. Elliott B No. 8 1910' FNL, 1490' FEL Section 10, T29N, R9W San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

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This is to advise that El Paso Exploration Company, as owner of offsetting acreage to the captioned request, does not object to the proposal by Amoco.

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

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cc: Amoco Production-Denver, CO OCC-Aztec, NM Yours very truly,

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John A. Ahlm Regional Land Manager Exploration-Land



P. O. BOX 289 FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO 87401 PHONE: 505-325-2841

January 2, 1980

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Attention: Mr. J. D. Ramey, Director Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Re: Caulkins Oil Company Breech E #581 1925' FSL, 720' FWL Section 5, T26N, R5W Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

This is to advise that El Paso Exploration Company, as owner of offsetting acreage, does not object to an unorthodox location for a recompleted gas well in the captioned request by Caulkins.

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JAA:1d cc: Caulkins Oil Co. OCC-Aztec, NM Yours very truly,

John a. allo

John A. Ahlm Regional Land Manager Exploration-Land

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION anter DISTRICT

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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Gentlemen:

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	Operator	Lease and Well No.	Unit, S-T-R

and my recommendations are as follows:

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Yours very truly,

AR Genfrick

Frank Charles