S. J. Okerson
District Superintendent

March 3, 1982

Amoco Production Company (USA)

Post Office Box 68 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

File: SJ0-986.51 X WF-335

Re:

Request for Administrative Approval for

Unorthodox Location, Nonstandard Proration Unit and Simultaneous Dedication son the Empire Morrow

Empire South Deep Unit #22
Eddy County, New Mexico

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Oil Conservation Division of The New Mexico Department of Energy and Minerals P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87502

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### Gentlemen:

Amoco Production Company requests administrative approval for an unorthodox location, nonstandard proration unit, and simultaneous dedication for our Empire South Deep Unit No. 22. The well is located 888 FNL x 1980 FWL, Section 31, T-17-S, R-29-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. The unorthodox location is resultant from the well site being 289.89 feet from the quarter-quarter section line. The half-section in question is less than 320 acres (297.49 acres) resulting in the less than 330 feet distance between proposed well site and quarter-quarter section line. A plat is enclosed showing the owner-ship of leases offsetting the unorthodox location and also all wells completed thereon.

The necessity of the nonstandard proration unit arises, as mentioned above, from the fact that the north half of the section consists of only 297.49 acres. This nonstandard proration unit was approved by Administrative order NSP-983, December 23, 1974, for our Empire South Deep Unit #5.

Approval of simultaneous dedication is required since the subject well shares acreage with our Empire South Deep Unit #5, located 1980' FNL, 2180 FEL, Section 31, T-17-S, R-29-E.

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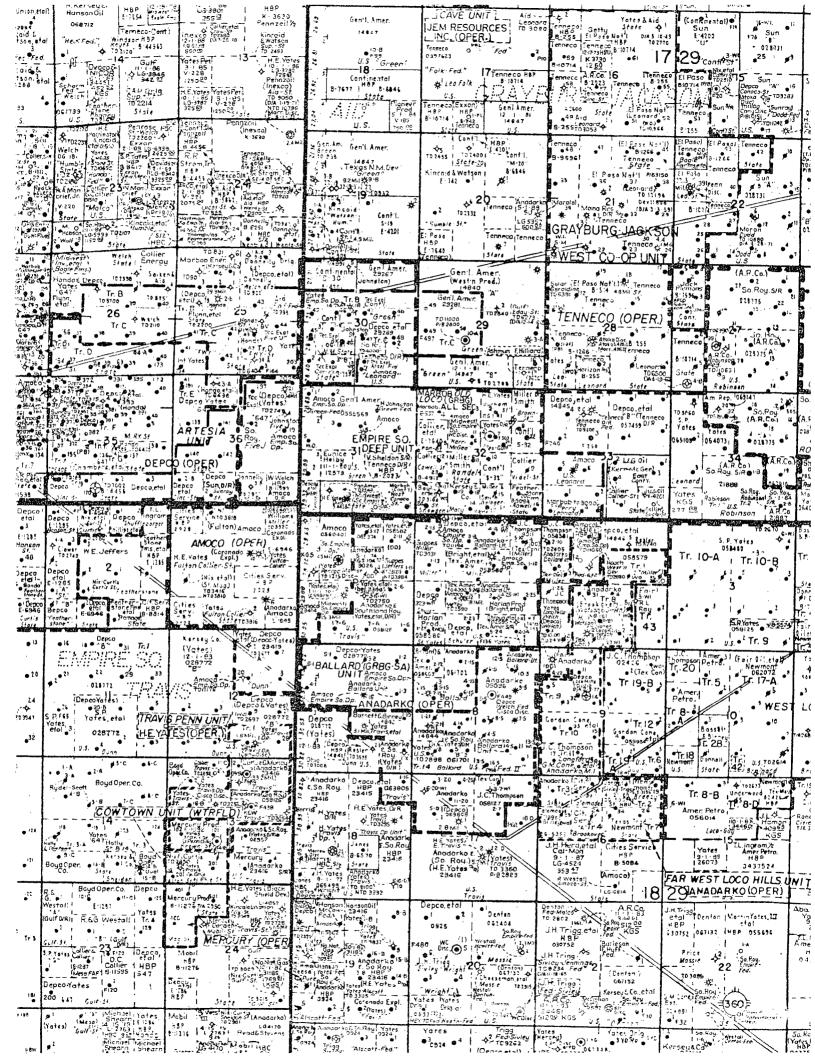
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All offset operators have been notified by registered mail and receipts are attached.

Yours very truly,

Attachments

cc: NMOCD-Artesia, NM USGS-Roswell, NM



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# NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

Form C-102 Supersedes C-128 Effective 14-65

"All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section Well No. 22 UNIT PRODUCTION Co. EMPIRE SOUTH DEEP Township Unit Letter Section **EDDY** SOUTH 29 EAST 17 31 Actual Footage Location of Well: WEST 1980 888 NORTH feet from the feet from the Ground Level Elev. Producing Formation Pool Dedicated Acreage: 3656.7 Morrow South Empire Morrow 297.49 Acres 1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below. 2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty). 3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc? If answer is "yes," type of consolidation \_\_\_\_Unitization If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.). No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Commis-<del>---</del> 2262, 18**-**-—2638.13**-**CERTIFICATION Lot 1 W.I. Owners Amo¦co on attached I hereby certify that the Information con-28.63 0655569 sheet1 tained herein is true and complete to the Acres best of my knowledge and belief. 1980 1326.89 Lot 2 The \$00' x 800' area was 280866 Admin. Analyst M-Scoped and the only Acres pipelines located are those Amoco Production Company shown in the sketch below. **2-11-**82 5300.75 Royalty-US Gov. Non standard proration Acreage shared approved Dec 23, with well No. 5 shown on this plat was plotted from field second well on propation unit. true and correct to the best of my 300 2-8-82



### STATE OF NEW MEXICO

# ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

BRUCE KING GOVERNOR LARRY KEHOE SECRETARY

May 6, 1982

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

Amoco Production Company (USA)
P. O. Box 68
Hobbs, New Mexico

Re: Withdrawal of

Administrative Order NSL-1502

Gentlemen:

By Administrative Order No. NSL-1502 a non-standard gas well location 888 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, was approved for your Empire Deep Unit Well No. 22.

This application received immediate approval based upon a map interpretation that there was no offset operator. On March 29, 1982, an objection to the location was received from Hondo Oil and Gas Company, who claims to be an offset operator. A review of the application and the map of the area does not clearly establish that Hondo Oil and Gas is an offset operator as contemplated by the regulations.

However, as Amoco has given notice by its letter of April 30, 1982, that it does not plan to drill this well, final determination of the status of Hondo as an offset operator is not now necessary.

Pending clarification of the offset operator issue and reapplication of Amoco to drill the Empire South Deep Unit Well No. 22, the approval for an unorthodox gas well location granted by Administrative Order No. NSL-is hereby withdrawn.

Sincerely,

JOE D. RAMEY

Director

JDR/RLS/og

cc: Bill Gressett





## Amoco Production Company (USA)

500 Jefferson Building P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

April 30, 1982

File: JCA-986.51NM-080

Re: Request for Unorthodox Location

Non Standard Proration Unit

Dedication of Acreage

Empire South Deep Unit Well No. 22

Eddy County, New Mexico

Hondo Oil and Gas Company Box 1610 Midland, TX 79701

Attention: Mr. J. L. Tweed, District Engineer

### Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of March 24, 1982 addressed to our Hobbs District Office concerning the above captioned subject. We do not agree with your position a second well on a proration unit is prohibited by Statewide Rules. This is simply not true. Statewide Rules in New Mexico permit more than one well and simultaneous dedication of acreage on a gas proration unit unless field rules specifically provide otherwise.

However, due to changed economic conditions, Amoco does not plan to drill the ESDU Well No. 22. Working Interest Owners have been advised by separate correspondence.

By copy of this letter we are advising the Oil Conservation Division no further action to drill the subject well will be taken.

Yours very truly.

D. M. Basinger

Division Operations Duperintendent

JCA/fp

cc: State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Attention: Mr. R. L. Stamets

Hondo Oil & Gas Company

Box 1610

Midland, Texas 7970 MAR 29 1982

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

March 24, 1982

Amoco Production Company (USA) P.O. Box 68 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Gentlemen:

RE: Requested Waiver of Consent for Unorthodox Location,
Nonstandard Proration Unit, and
Simultaneous Dedication
Empire South Deep Unit #22
Eddy County, New Mexico

As a direct offset operator to the subject proration unit, we must object to the drilling of a second well in the N/2 Section 31, T-17-S, R-29-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. Statewide Rules specify that there will be one well per proration unit, and this proration unit is assigned to the Empire South Deep Unit No. 5. We believe that the addition of a second well to this proration unit would be a violation of our correlative rights as working interest owner in the South Empire (Morrow) Field.

Very truly yours,

J. L. Tweed

District Engineer

CMT:JLT:cn

cc: Depco, Inc. Husky Oil Co. H. E. Yates

NMOCD-Artesia/Santa Fe





S. J. Okerson
District Superintendent

March 3, 1982

File: SJ0-986.51-337

Re:

Waivers Consent for Unorthodox Location,

Nonstandard Proration Unit, and

Simultaneous Dedication Empire South Deep Unit #22 Eddy County, New Mexico

Hondo P. O. Box 1610 Midland, TX 79701

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March 3, 1982

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We request that you approve and return signed copy of this letter to be our office and to the NMOCD in Santa Fe. Self-addressed, stamped envelopes are enclosed.

Yours very truly,

Enclosures

cc: USGS-Roswell

NMOCD-Artesia



S. J. Okerson District Superintendent

March 3, 1982

Re:

File: SJ0-986.51-336

Waivers Consent for Unorthodox Location,

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Amoco Production Company (USA)

Post Office Box 68 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240



General American Oil Meadows Bldg. Dallas, TX 75206

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General American Oil Company of Texas

APPROVED: R-L Crow

TITLE: Western Region Monager

DATE: 3/9/82