STATE OF NEW MEXICO



ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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April 28, 1997

Amoco Production Company San Juan Business Unit P.O. Box 800 Denver, Colorado 80201

Pamela Staley, Regulatory Affairs Engineer **Attention:**

Administrative Order NSL-2162-A

Dear Ms. Staley:

Reference is made to your application dated April 15, 1997 for a non-standard Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for your existing Gallegos Canyon Unit Well No. 235-E (API No. 30-045-26348), which was drilled in 1985 and completed in the Basin-Dakota Pool at a standard "infill" gas well location 1190 feet from the South line and 1840 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 13, Township 28 North, Range 13 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that the Dakota interval is to be plugged off and said well will then be recompleted up-hole into the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, which pursuant to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, is also unorthodox. Further, the W/2 of said Section 24 is to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of said Order No. R-8768, as amended, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely.

William J. LeMay

Director

WJL/MES/kv

Oil Conservation Division - Aztec cc:

U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

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REMARKS: By Administrative Order NSL-2162, dated October 1, 1985 the Division granted Amoco Production Company an exception to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Totah-Gallup Oil Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-1882, as amended, which requires 80-acre spacing and well locations to be within 150 feet of the center of a quarter-quarter section. To date no completion has not been attempted in the Gallup interval; therefore, said original Administrative Order NSL-2162 shall be placed in abeyance until further notice.