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Chevron U.S.A., Inc
Attn: Mr. Casey R. Mobley
11111 S. Wilcrest, Rm S1037
Houston, TX 77099

Administrative Order NSL-5808

Re: RR Sims A Well No. 10
API No. 30-025-
Unit N, Section 4-23S-37E
Lea County

Dear Mr. Mobley:

Reference is made to the following:

(a) your application (**administrative application reference No. pKVR08-07354377**) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico on March 13, 2008, and

(b) the Division's records pertinent to this request.

Chevron U.S.A., Inc. (Chevron) has requested to drill the above-referenced well at an unorthodox oil well location, 990 feet from the South line and 1430 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 4, Township 23 South, Range 37 East, N.M.P.M., in Lea County, New Mexico. The SE/4 SW/4 of Section 4 will be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 40-acre spacing unit in the Langlie-Mattix-Seven Rivers/Queen/Grayburg Pool (37240). This pool is governed by statewide Rule 104.B(1), which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is less than 330 feet from the western unit boundary.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 1210.A(2).



It is our understanding that you are seeking this location because your geologic interpretation indicates that the well can tap into stranded reserves located on the margins of the existing spacing unit that cannot be effectively drained by wells located at standard locations.

It is also understood that notice of this application to offsetting operators or owners is unnecessary because the only potentially affected person has submitted a written waiver.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 40.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mark E. Fesmire", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.
Director

MEF/db

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs