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October 25, 1993

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Administrative Application for Unorthodox Location, Non-Standard Proration Unit, and Simultaneous Dedication for Conoco's State F-1 No. 9 Well, Located at 330' FSL & 330' FWL, Section 1, T-21S, R-36E, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay:

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Unorthodox Location Discussion:

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Current studies of this area show that the Penrose produces water-free from adjacent wells that are structurally lower than the State F-1 No. 1. Therefore, it has been concluded that the original No. 1 completion must have had a water channel from below the Penrose and that there are likely still Penrose gas reserves in this part of the State F-1 lease that will not be recovered by any current well completions. The risk and potential costs of re-entering the No. 1 well to access these potential reserves or drilling a new well for them does not appear to be economically feasible.

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Since Conoco's proposed recompletion is offset only by essentially depleted and abandoned locations that have already produced large cumulative recoveries, the correlative rights of these offset locations should not be affected. However, the opportunity to recovery salvage reserves from Conoco's State F-1 Lease that may have been bypassed by the abandoned No. 1 well will ensure protection of this lease from potential waste.

EXHIBIT B is a list of the offset operators to the proposed proration unit for the State F-1 No. 9. A copy of this application has been sent to each of these operators by certified mail.

Non-Standard Proration Unit & Simultaneous Dedication Discussion:

EXHIBIT C is a plat illustrating the current approved proration units for Conoco's State F-1 Lease. The 80-acre NSPU-1114 (in red) was established for Well No. 1, the 160-acre NSPU-1115 (in green) for Well No. 7, and the 160-acre NSPU-1116 (in blue) for Well No. 8. This plat also includes cumulative production and daily producing rates for all Eumont wells in these four sections.

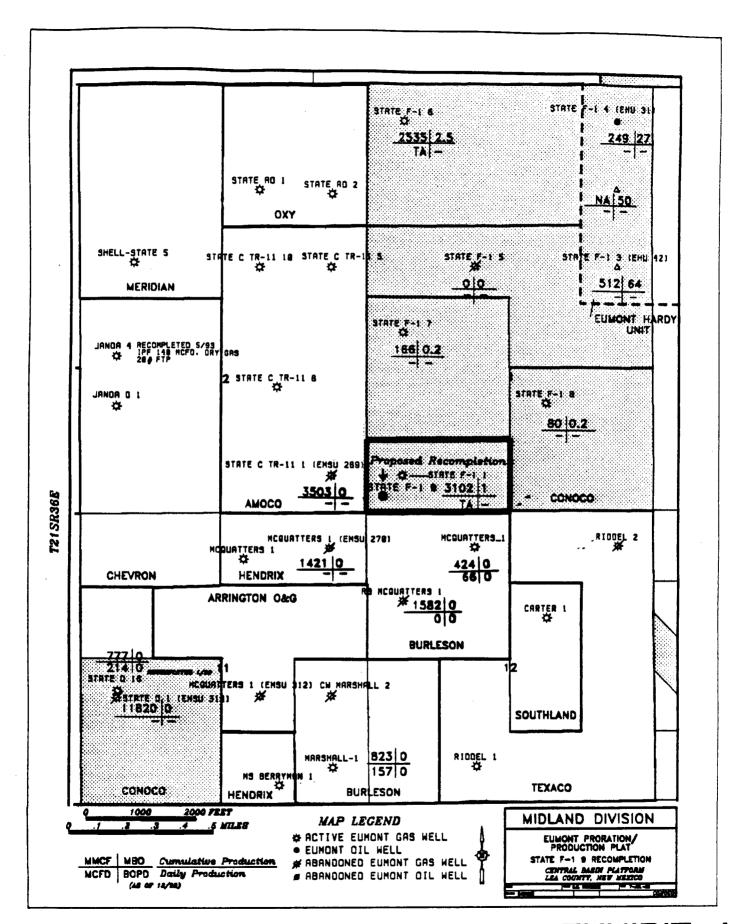
It is requested that the order for NSPU-1114 be vacated and these 80 acres be combined with the 160 acres of NSPU-1115 to form a new 240-acre non-standard proration unit under an amended order for NSPU-1115. EXHIBIT D shows this requested change in non-standard proration units with the proposed, amended NSPU-1115 shown in red. While Well No. 7 is temporarily abandoned, it is a candidate for remedial work. Both wells No. 7 and the recompleted No. 9 will be marginal wells should be simultaneously dedicated to the new 240 acre NSPU-1115.

Very truly yours,

Jerry W. Hoover

Sr. Conservation Coordinator

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CONOCO INC. State F-1 Lease Well No. 9

Unorthodox Location and Simultaneous Dedication Application Eumont Gas Pool 330' FSL and 330' FWL Section 1, T-21S, R-36E Lea County, New Mexico

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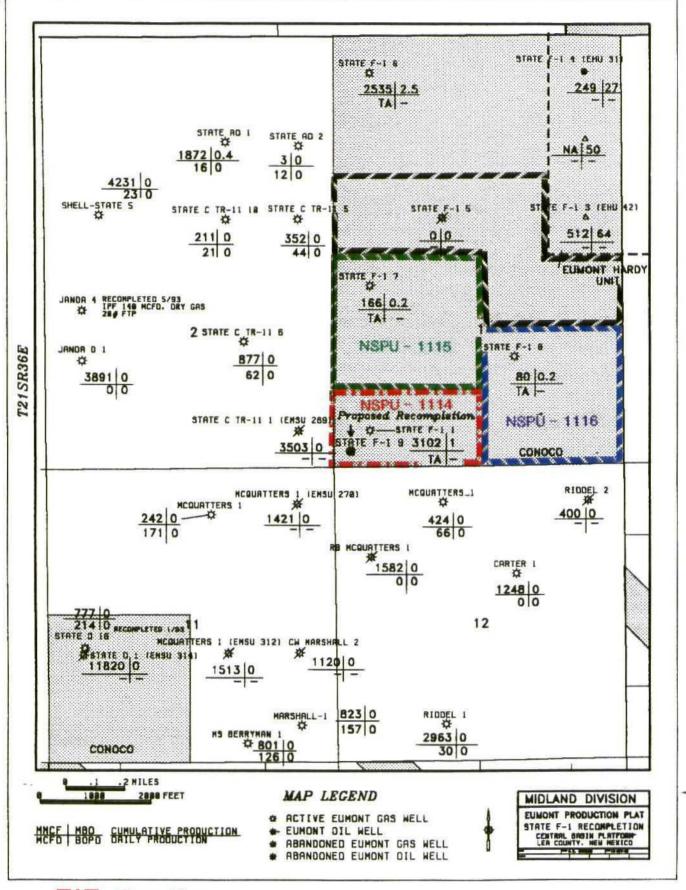
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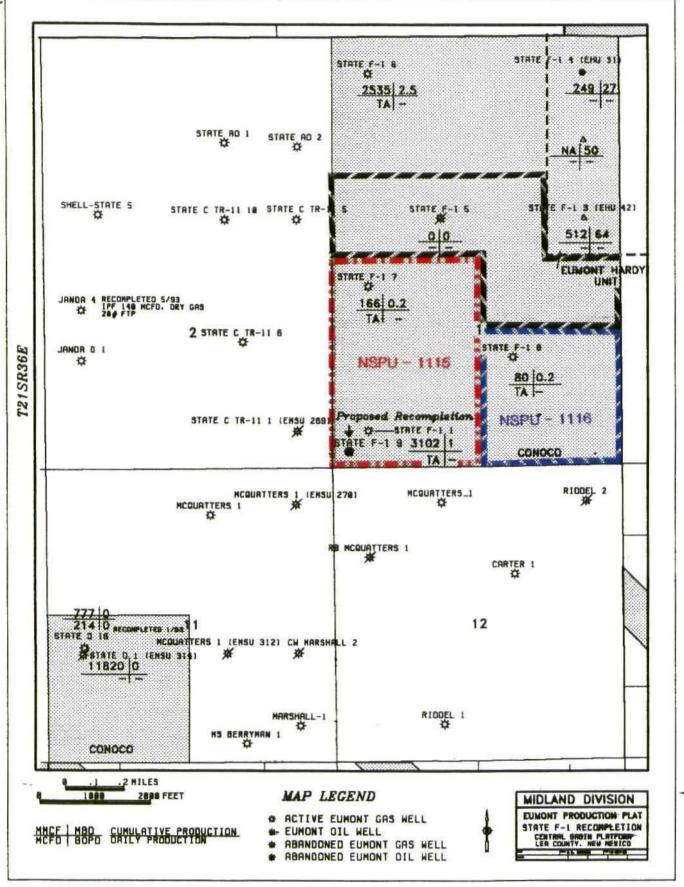
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Dear Mr. LeMay:

The attached application is a corrected version of the same application that was recently sent under a cover letter dated October 22, 1993. In the original application the well location was typed incorrectly in both the (a) subject block of the letter and (b) in the heading of EXHIBIT B.

Please discard the October 22, 1993 dated application and replace it with the attached application dated October 25, 1993.

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Dear Mr. LeMay:

You have received two previous applications for this unorthodox location. The first, under a cover letter dated October 22, 1993, also included a request to establish a new non-standard proration unit for this well. A second, corrected copy of this original application was sent, under a cover letter dated October 25, 1993, to correct the township and range given for this well, which had been mistyped. Please discard both copies of this original application received under the dates of October 22 & 25.

One of the offset operators has responded to Conoco concerning this original application and indicated, that while they have no objection to the unorthodox location for this recompletion if the currently approved 80-acre non-standard proration unit is dedicated to it, they would object to the original request for a new larger NSPU and simultaneous dedication.

Therefore, Conoco is filing a revised application, as attached, requesting approval only for the unorthodox location for the State F-1 No. 9 well, and dedication to the already existing 80-acre nonstandard proration unit authorized under administrative order NSPU-1114.

I trust this note of explaination will help clarify your receipt of three applications for this well. If there are any further questions, please contact me at (915) 686-6548. Thank you.

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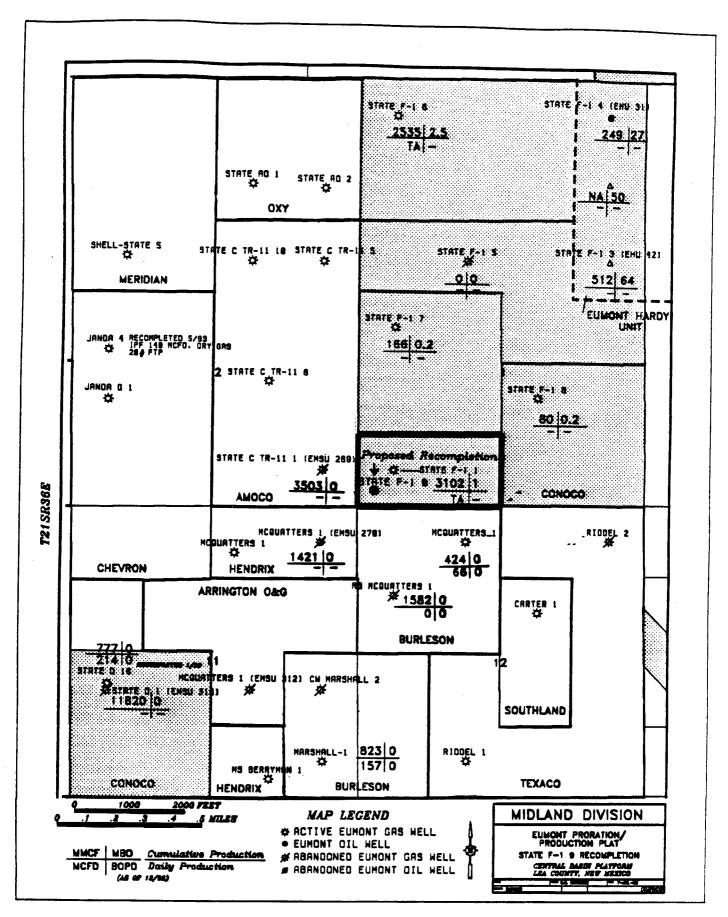
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It is requested that the 80 acres, currently approved as a non-standard proration unit by administrative order NSPU-1114, that was previously dedicated to the abandoned State F-1 No. 1 well now be dedicated to the State F-1 No. 9.

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