



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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August 18, 2004
Bureau of Land Management
620 East Greene St.
Carlsbad, N.M. 88220-6292
Attn: Craig Cranston or To Whom It May Concern

RECEIVED
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OIL-ARTESIA

RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA

OPERATOR: Bass Enterprises Production Company
LEASE NAME: James Ranch Unit # 93
LOCATION: SEC. 7 TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST,
660' FNL & 660' FEL
EDDY COUNTY, NM, NMPM

PROPOSED DEPTH: 14,800'

Dear Craig or To Whom It May Concern,

The application for permit to drill identified above has been filed with this office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. Pursuit to the provisions of Oil Conservation Division Order 111-P, please advise this office whether or not this application is within an established Life-of Mine Reserve area filed with and approved by your office. If not, please advise whether it is within the buffer zone established by this order.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Bryan G. Arrant
PES, District II Artesia NMOCD

BEFORE EXAMINER STOGNER
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Mesaic EXHIBIT NO. *MZ*
CASE NO. *13368, 13367, 13372*

In LMR Yes No
In Buffer Zone Yes No

Comments:

In IMC's LMR
Signature: *[Signature]* Date: *8-19-04*