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Chevron U.S.A. Production Company
P. O. Box 1150
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Attention: Lloyd V. Trautman

Re: *Application for administrative approval for Chevron U.S.A. Production Company's existing G. C. Matthews Well No. 12 (API No. 30-025-05953) located 330' FSL & 990' FEL (Unit P) of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, to be deepened to the Undesignated West Monument-Tubb Gas Pool and completed at the above-described unorthodox gas well location within the SE/4 of Section 6, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing and proration unit for this pool.*

Dear Mr. Trautman:

In reviewing the subject application I can't help but notice the availability of several other Chevron owned wells within the SE/4 of Section 6 located at standard gas well locations that could be deepened or others that would require a recompletion to add the Tubb interval. Why was this well chosen?

Sincerely

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs