## AZTER OIL & GAS COMPANY

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. A. L. Porter, Secretary-Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. O. Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

> Re: Application of Aztec Oil & Gas Company for Administrative Approval for an Exception to Rules 2 and 3 of Order R-1800 Approving an Unorthodox Well Location and a Non-Standard Provation Unit for the Aztec Hagood No. 29-G Well in the Cha Cha-Gallup Oil Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico

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Dear Mr. Porter:

Aztec Oil & Gas Company hereby submits its application, in triplicate, for administrative approval of an exception to Rules 2 and 3 of Order  $\mathbf{B}$ -1800 with respect to the drilling of its Hagood No. 29-G well.

In support of its application, applicant resepctfully states and shows the following:

- The proposed unorthodox drilling location has been staked four hundred and fifty feet (450') from the South line and three thousand six hundred feet (3600') from the East line of Section 30, T-29-N, R-13-W, San Juan County, New Mexico, and its unorthodox location is necessitated by topographical conditions.
- 2. Elliot, Inc. is the only other operator in the section in which the well has been located and offsetting operators are Humble Oil & Refining Company and Tenneco Oil Company.
- 3. The non-standard proration unit to be assigned to the well is as follows:

T-29-N, R-13-W, N.N.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico Section 30: Lot 4,  $ME_{4}^{+}SE_{4}^{+}$ ,  $SW_{4}^{+}SE_{4}^{+}$ (containing 86.02 acres, more or less)

- 4. As outlined in its application approved by Administrative Order NWV 403-410, relating to non-standard proration units located in Sections 18 and 19, T-29-N, R-13-W, N.M.P.M., and its application designated Case No. 2325, approved by Administrative Order NWU-423 relating to acreage in Section 30, T-29-N, R-13-W, N.M.P.M., Applicant has been designating non-standard proration units for Gallup wells located along the West side of Sections 18, 19 and 30, T-29-N, R-13-W, N.M.P.M., consisting of two contiguous quarter-quarter sections and the adjoining lot of five or six acres in order to vary as little as possible from the existing spacing pattern. This Application is for a similar non-standard proration unit.
- 5. Rule 4 of Order R-1800 provides authority for the Secretary-Director to grant approval administratively of such non-standard proration unites.

Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that this Application be promptly considered, that approval be administratively granted pursuant to Rule 104(f) and Rule 4 of Order R-1800 for the unorthodox well location and non-standard proration unit described above.

Yours very truly,

AZTEC OIL & GAS COMPANY

By Kenneth A. Swanson

Kenneth A. Swanson Attorney

Copies of this Application and the Plat attached as Exhibit "A" have been mailed by Certified mail to the following parties:

Elliot, Inc. P. O. Box 1355 Roswell, New Mexico

Humble Oil & Refining Company P. O. Box 3082 Durango, Colorado

Tenneco Oil Company P. O. Box 1714 Durango, Colorado