

PECOS DISTRICT DRILLING CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Cimarex Energy Company
LEASE NO.:	NMLC061873B
WELL NAME & NO.:	4H-Cotton Draw 9L Federal
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	459'/S & 776'/W
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	330'/N & 804'/W
LOCATION:	Section 9, T.25 S., R.32 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Lea County, New Mexico

Potash	<input checked="" type="radio"/> None	<input type="radio"/> Secretary	<input type="radio"/> R-111-P
Cave/Karst Potential	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Low	<input type="radio"/> Medium	<input type="radio"/> High
Variance	<input type="radio"/> None	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Flex Hose	<input type="radio"/> Other
Wellhead	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Conventional	<input type="radio"/> Multibowl	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 String Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Capitan Reef	<input type="checkbox"/> WIPP

A. Hydrogen Sulfide

1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Drilling Plan shall be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the **Delaware** formation. As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.

B. CASING

1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 781 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface.
 1. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
 2. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum of 8 hours or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater. (This is to include the lead cement)
 3. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
 4. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 9-5/8" inch intermediate casing is:
 - Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.
3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:
 - Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

C. PRESSURE CONTROL

- A. Variance approved to use flex line from BOP to choke manifold. Manufacturer's specification to be readily available. No external damage to flex line. Flex line to be installed as straight as possible (no hard bends).'
- B. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M)** psi.
- C. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the 9-5/8" intermediate casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M)** psi.

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