October 18, 1999

Apache Corporation 2000 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77056-4400

Attention:

Jill Scheel

RE:

C-142 Application for New Well Status

Northeast Drinkard Unit Well No. 131, API No. 30-025-34609

Dear Ms. Scheel:

Pursuant to Division Rule 34.C.(3), the deadline for filling for the New Well Tax Incentive is within sixty (60) days of completion of the well as a producer, or by October 1, 1999 for a well commenced after January 1, 1999 and before July 1, therefore your application is hereby denied.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 827-8183.

Sincerely,

Mark Ashley

Petroleum Engineering Specialist