



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Attention: **Jan Preston Spradlin, CPL**  
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*Administrative Order NSL-5174*

Dear Ms. Spradlin:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated February 28, 2005 (*administrative application reference No. pSEM0-506638896*); (ii) your e-mail on Monday morning, March 28, 2005 checking on the status of this application; and (iii) the records of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Artesia and Santa Fe, including the file in Division Case No. 11912: all considering COG Operating LLC's ("COG") request for an unorthodox Delaware oil well location for its proposed Gold Rush "30" Federal Well No. 8 (**API No. 30-015-29949**) to be drilled 2630 feet from the South line and 2310 feet from the East line (Unit J) of Section 30, Township 23 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The NW/4 SE/4 of Section 30 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit within the Nash Draw-Delaware Pool (**47545**).

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F, revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox Delaware oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely

Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.  
Director

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad  
File: Case No. 11912