



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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July 18, 2011

Apache Corporation  
Attn: Mr. David Catanach  
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Tulsa, OK 74136

**Administrative Order NSL-6425**  
**Administrative Application Reference No. pWVJ11-18932710**

**Apache Corporation**  
OGRID 873  
A State Well No. 48  
API No. 30-015-38549

**Proposed Location:**

<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
1000 FNL & 890 FEL	A	25	17S	28E	Eddy

**Proposed Unit:**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
NE/4 NE/4 Sec. 25	40	Artesia Glorieta-Yeso	96830

Reference is made to your application received on July 7, 2011.

You have requested to drill or re-complete this well at an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A [19.15.15.9.A NMAC], which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is less than 330 feet from a unit boundary.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 [19.15.15.13 NMAC] and 4.12.A(2) [19.15.4.12.A(2) NMAC].

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location to avoid interference with an existing well.

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It is also understood that notice to offsetting operators or owners is unnecessary due to common ownership.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9 [19.15.15.9 NMAC].

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jami Bailey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jami" and last name "Bailey" clearly distinguishable.

Jami Bailey  
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia  
New Mexico State Land Office