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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
 - Engineering Bureau -
 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



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ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

Application Acronyms:

- [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]
- [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]
- [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]
- [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]
- [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]
- [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

- [1] **TYPE OF APPLICATION** - Check Those Which Apply for [A]
- [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication
 NSL NSP SD
- Check One Only for [B] or [C]
- [B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement
 DHC CTB PLC PC OLS OLM
- [C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery
 WFX PMX SWD IPI EOR PPR
- [D] Other: Specify _____
- [2] **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply
- [A] Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
- [B] Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
- [C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
- [D] Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
- [E] For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
- [F] Waivers are Attached
- [3] **SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.**
- [4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

David Catanach
 Print or Type Name

David Catanach
 Signature

Agent for Apache Corporation
 Title

7/7/11
 Date

drctanach@netscape.com
 E-Mail Address

July 7, 2011

Hand Delivered

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attention: Ms. Jami Bailey, CPG
Division Director

Re: Application for Unorthodox Well Location
D State No. 58
API No. (30-015-38588)
2460' FSL & 1140' FWL (Unit L)
Section 26, T-17 South, R-28 East, NMPM,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.15.15.13, Apache Corporation ("Apache") respectfully requests administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for its proposed D State No. 58. This well will be drilled as a development oil well in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool (96830) at an unorthodox oil well location 2460 feet from the South line and 1140 feet from the West line of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The proposed D State No. 58 will be dedicated to an existing standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool comprising the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26. This unit is currently dedicated to the existing Apache D State No. 6 (API No. 30-015-32482) located 2210 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the West line, and the Apache DAD State No. 38 (API No. 30-015-33480) located 1655 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line.

The Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool is currently governed by Division Rule 19.19.15.9 which requires standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration units with wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the spacing unit.

The attached vicinity map shows that the proposed unorthodox well location is necessary in order to avoid a surface drainage feature within the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26.

The affected offset acreage includes the S/2 NW/4 and NE/4 SW/4 of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 28 East. All three of these affected tracts are existing 40-acre

spacing units in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool, and all are operated by Apache. Please note however, that the working interest ownership between the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26 and the affected offset tracts is not common. Consequently, Apache is providing notice of this application to all working interest owners in the affected offset tracts. These working interest owners include COG Operating LLC, Khody Land & Minerals Company, Marathon Oil Company, and Yates Petroleum Corporation.

Attached is a Form C-102, vicinity map, notice letter and notice list.

In summary, approval of the application will provide Apache Corporation the opportunity to recover additional oil and gas reserves from the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool underlying the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26 that may otherwise not be recovered by the existing wells, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (505) 690-9453.

Sincerely,



David Catanach, Agent
Apache Corporation
6120 S. Yale, Suite 1500
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136

Xc: OCD-Artesia

District I
 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
 1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
 Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
 1220 South St. Francis Dr.
 Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102
 Revised July 16, 2010
 Submit one copy to appropriate
 District Office
 AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-38588	Pool Code 96830	Pool Name Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool
Property Code 308712	Property Name D State	Well Number 058
OGRID No. 873	Operator Name Apache Corporation	Elevation 3,665'

Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
L	26	17 South	28 East		2460'	South	1140'	West	Eddy

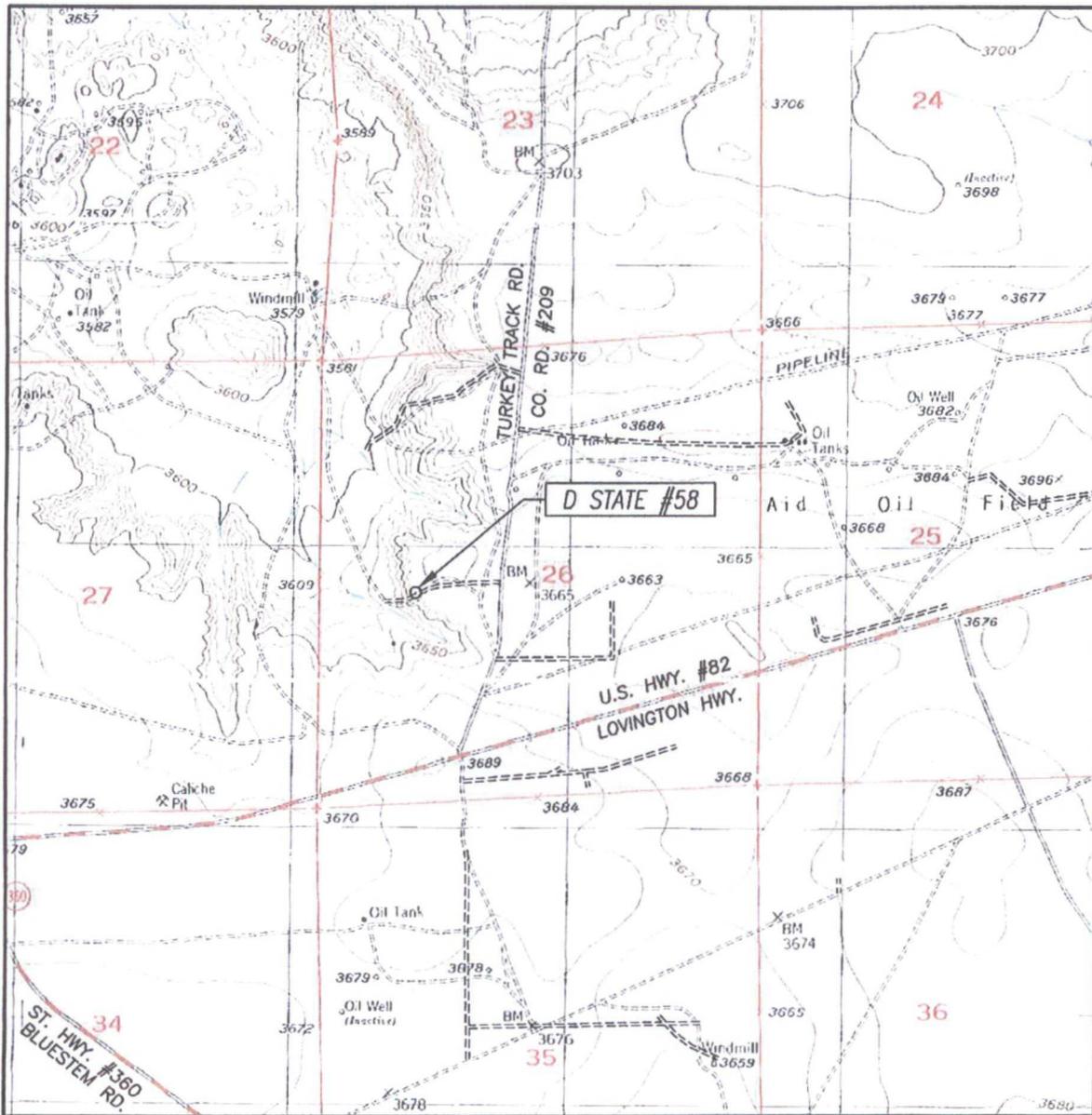
Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres 40		Joint or Infill		Consolidate Code		Order No.			

No Allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the Division

	<p align="center">OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p><i>I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottomhole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the Division.</i></p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p> <p>Printed Name _____</p> <p>E-mail Address _____</p>
	<p align="center">SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p><i>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.</i></p> <p>Date of Survey _____</p> <p>Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor: _____</p> <p>Certificate Number _____</p>

LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:
RED LAKE, N.M. - 10'

SEC. 26 TWP. 17-S RGE. 28-E

SURVEY _____ N.M.P.M.

COUNTY EDDY STATE NEW MEXICO

DESCRIPTION 2460' FSL & 1140' FWL

ELEVATION _____ 3665'

OPERATOR APACHE CORPORATION

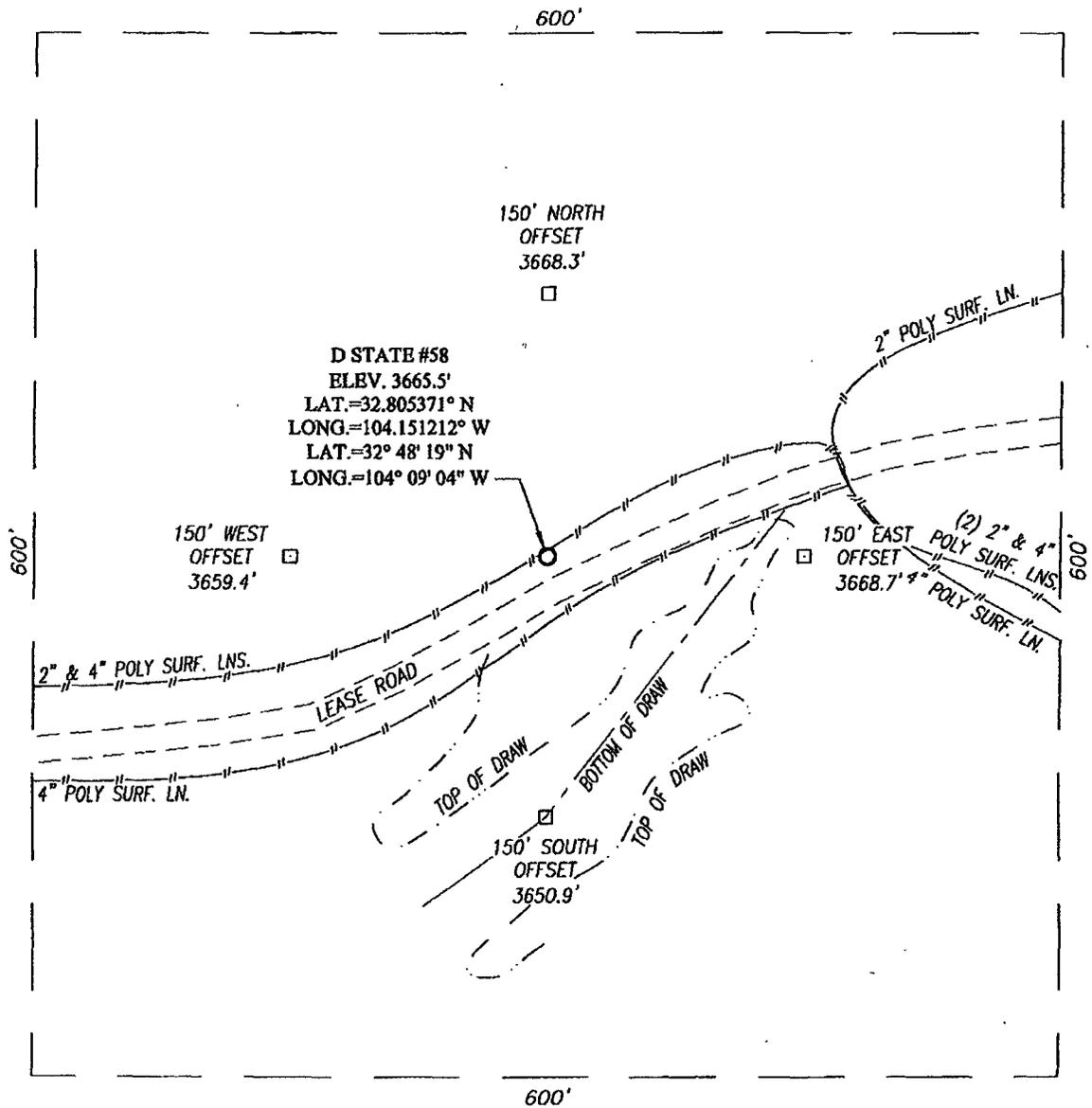
LEASE _____ D STATE

U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
RED LAKE, N.M.



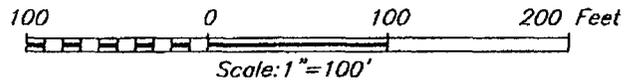
PROVIDING SURVEYING SERVICES
SINCE 1946
JOHN WEST SURVEYING COMPANY
412 N. DAL PASO
HOBBS, N.M. 88240
(575) 393-3117

SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. HWY. #82 (LOVINGTON HWY.) AND CO. RD. #209 (TURKEY TRACK RD.), GO NORTH APPROX. 0.4 MILES. TURN LEFT AND GO SOUTHWEST APPROX. 0.2 MILES. THIS LOCATION STAKE IS APPROX. 10 FEET NORTH OF LEASE ROAD.



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APACHE CORPORATION

D STATE #58 WELL
 LOCATED 2460 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE
 AND 1140 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 26,
 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Survey Date: 2/19/11	Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets
W.O. Number: 11.11.0338	Dr By: DSS
Date: 3/3/11	11110338
	Scale: 1"=100'

July 7, 2011

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: OFFSET WORKING INTEREST OWNERS-SEE ATTACHED LIST

Re: Apache Corporation
Unorthodox Oil Well Location
D State No. 58
2460' FSL & 1140' FWL (Unit L)
Section 26, T-17 South, R-28 East, NMPM,
Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool
Eddy County, New Mexico

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find a copy of the application filed by Apache Corporation ("Apache") for authorization to drill its D State No.58 at an unorthodox oil well location in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool 2460 feet from the South line and 1140 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The well will be dedicated to an existing 40-acre spacing and proration unit in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool comprising the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26. This unit is currently dedicated to the existing Apache D State No. 6 and Apache DAD State No. 38. The unorthodox location is necessary in order to avoid surface obstructions within the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 26.

As the owner of an interest that may be affected by the proposed unorthodox oil well location, you are being provided notice as per Division rules and regulations. Objections must be filed in writing at the Division's Santa Fe office within 20 days from the date this notice was sent to you. If no objection is received within twenty days after the filing of this application and proof of notice with the Division, the application may be approved.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (505) 690-9453.

Sincerely,



David Catanach
Agent-Apache Corporation
6120 S. Yale
Suite 1500
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136

Enclosure

Notice List
Apache Corporation
Application for Unorthodox Well Location
D State No. 58 (API No. 30-015-38588)
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Section 26, T-17 South, R-28 East, NMPM

COG Operating, LLC
Attn: David Evans
550 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1300
Midland, Texas 79701

Khody Land and Minerals Company
Attn: Land Department
3817 NW Expressway, Suite 950
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112

Marathon Oil Company
Attn: Joe Rusnak
200 North Loraine, Suite 1222
Midland, Texas 79701

Yates Petroleum Corporation
Attn: Chuck Moran
105 South Fourth Street
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

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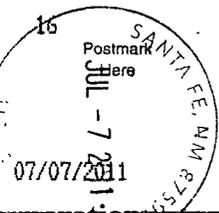
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ARTESIA, NM 88210 **OFFICIAL USE**

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Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	\$ 2.30	Postmark Here
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	\$ 0.00	JUL - 7 2011
Total Postage & Fees	\$ 6.23	07/07/2011

Sent To **Yates Petroleum Corporation**
Attn: Chuck Moran
 Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **105 South Fourth Street**
 City, State, ZIP+4 **Artesia, New Mexico 88210**

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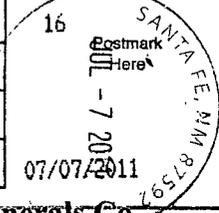
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Sent To **Khody Land & Minerals Co.**
Attn: Land Department
 Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **3817 NW Expressway, Suite 950**
 City, State, ZIP+4 **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112**

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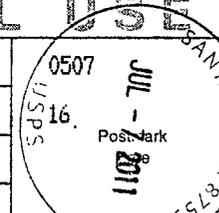
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Sent To **COG Operating, LLC**
Attn: David Evans
 Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **550 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1300**
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Sent To **Marathon Oil Company**
Attn: Joe Rusnak
 Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. **200 North Loraine, Suite 1222**
 City, State, ZIP+4 **Midland, Texas 79701**

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