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Mewbourne Oil Company
c/o James Bruce, Attorney

Administrative Order NSL-6449
Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG11-21054991

Mewbourne Oil Company
OGRID 38630
West Draw 5 IA Well No. 1H
API No. 30-015-39058

Proposed Location:

	<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
Surface	1440 FSL & 400 FEL	I	5	20S	25E	Eddy
Penetration Point	1540 FSL & 400 FEL	I	5	20S	25E	Eddy
Terminus	330 FNL & 400 FEL	A	5	20S	25E	Eddy

Proposed Project Area:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
E/2 NE/4 & NE/4 SE/4 Section 5	120.26	North Seven Rivers; Glorieta-Yeso	97565

Reference is made to your application received on July 29, 2011.

You have requested to drill this horizontal 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, and Rule 15.16.14.B(2) [19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC] concerning directional wells in designated project areas. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed producing interval are less than 330 feet from an outer boundary of the project area.

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].

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It is our understanding that you are seeking this location for engineering reasons, in order to penetrate the maximum portion of the target zone, within the producing area, with the lateral portion of the wellbore.

It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

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 [19.15.5.9 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 a large initial "J" and "B".

Jami Bailey
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia