



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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September 27, 2011

XTO Energy, Inc.  
Attn: Mr. Aaron Austin

**Administrative Order NSL-6482**  
**Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG11-24351307**

**XTO Energy, Inc.**  
OGRID 5380  
**Breech E Well No. 70H**  
**API No. 30-039-**

**Proposed Location:**

	<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
Surface	1612 FNL & 150 FEL	H	4	26N	6W	Rio Arriba
Penetration Point	same as surface location					
Terminus	1750 FNL & 1980 FEL	G	5	26N	6W	Rio Arriba

**Proposed Project Area:**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
<b>Section 4:</b> All	960 + or -	Basin Mancos Gas	97232
<b>Section 5:</b> E/2			

Reference is made to your application received on August 30, 2011

You have requested to drill this horizontal well at an unorthodox gas well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. Spacing in this pool is governed by the Special Rules for the Basin-Mancos Gas Pool, as promulgated in Order R-12984, issued on September 3, 2008, which provide for 320-acre units, with wells located at least 660 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed producing interval are less than 660 feet from an outer boundary of the project area.

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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 for engineering reasons, in order to penetrate the maximum amount of the target zone within the producing area with the wellbore lateral.

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 – Aztec  
United States Bureau of Land Management