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Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
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ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6562
Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG12-02753033

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
OGRID 34114
Gadwall 18 Federal Com. Well No. 2H
API No. 30-015-39141

Proposed Location:

	Footages	Unit	Sec.	Township	Range	County
Surface	150 FNL & 2310 FWL	C	18	25S	27E	Eddy
Penetration Point	250 FNL & 2310 FWL	C	18	25S	27E	Eddy
Terminus	330 FSL & 2200 FWL	N	18	25S	27E	Eddy

Proposed Project Area:

Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
E/2 W/2 of Section 18	120	Cottonwood Draw; Bone Spring	97494

Reference is made to your application received on January 27, 2012.

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 completed interval are less than 330 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 in order to maximize the productive length of 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 [19.15.15.9 NMAC].

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

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia
United States Bureau of Land Management