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



*Apache  
A State # 43*

**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]**

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[1] **TYPE OF APPLICATION** - Check Those Which Apply for [A]  
 [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication Apache Corporation's  
A State 43  
30-015-38546  
 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.*

Brian Wood  
 Print or Type Name

*Brian Wood*  
 Signature

Consultant  
 Title

12-15-12  
 Date

brian@permitswest.com  
 e-mail Address

**REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL  
NONSTANDARD LOCATION  
APACHE CORPORATION'S  
A STATE 43  
2310' FNL & 1120' FWL  
SECTION 26, T. 17 S., R. 28 E., EDDY COUNTY, NM  
API 30-015-38546**

I. The proposed oil well (see APD as Exhibit A) is on private surface (Bogle Ltd. Company c/o COG) and NM State Land Office oil and gas lease X006470405 (8,746.59 acres). The well is 1,120' from the closest lease line (Exhibit B). The proposed oil well is nonstandard for the Artesia; Glorieta-Yeso (Pool 96830) due to a steep  $\approx 50'$  high slope (Exhibit C).

Apache requests a nonstandard location due to land uses. The well was planned to be staked 2310 FNL & 990 FWL. However, a steep  $\approx 50'$  high slope prevented that location. *to/ro*

A standard location must be at least 330' from the quarter-quarter line. The well bore is 200' from the east quarter-quarter line (see C-102 as EXHIBIT D). It is 130' too far east. It is 330' from the south side of the quarter-quarter and 385' from the southeast corner of the quarter-quarter.

II. Form C-102 showing the well and 40 acre pro ration unit (SWNW Section 26) is attached as Exhibit D.

Exhibit E shows the existing Yeso acreage dedications (dashed lines). There are no existing Yeso dedications in NESE Section 27. The well encroaches 130' too far east toward the SENW Section 26. The encroachment is part of the same state lease.

Apache operates all Yeso wells in the S2NW4 & N2SW4 Section 26. Apache and its partners have 100% of the Yeso working interest in the affected offset quarter-quarters. Closest Yeso well is Apache's D State 58 (30-015-38588), which is 490' southwest at 2400 FSL & 1140 FWL 26-17s-28e.

III. The state oil and gas lease boundary is shown on EXHIBIT B. The well encroaches to the east. The encroachment is part of the same lease. Seven existing Yeso pro ration units (see Exhibit E) touch the proposed pro ration unit. Five of the seven are Apache operated. Apache and its partners have 100% of

the Yeso working interest in the quarter-quarter in which the well is located, the quarter-quarter (SE<sub>1</sub>W<sub>4</sub> Section 26) toward which the well encroaches, and the closest cornering quarter-quarters (N<sub>2</sub>SW<sub>4</sub> Section 26). This information is current and correct.

IV. Exhibit F shows the proposed well, proration unit, and all wells. Yeso wells are circled. Apache does not believe directional drilling to a standard location from an existing pad is cost effective for this well.

V. A steep ≈50' high slope prevents a standard location.

VI. Archaeology is not an issue.

VII. The well was planned to be staked 2310 FNL & 990 FWL. However, a steep ≈50' high slope prevents a standard location.

VIII. Apache does not believe directional drilling to a standard location is cost effective for this well.

IX. I hereby certify that Apache Corporation and its partners have 100% of the Yeso working interest in the lease which comprises the proposed 40 acre spacing unit and the adjacent quarter-quarters (SE<sub>1</sub>W<sub>4</sub> & N<sub>2</sub>SW<sub>4</sub> Section 26) on one or more of the two sides or the single closest corner to the proposed well toward which it encroaches and that the information is current and correct.

I hereby attest that I, on or before the date that the application was submitted to the division, sent notification to the affected persons (see EXHIBIT F) by certified mail, return receipt requested, advising them that if they have an objection it must be filed in writing within 20 days from the date the division receives the application. These affected persons have working or royalty interests in quarter-quarters that border the 40-acre spacing unit. Said notice was sent to:

Concho Resources Inc.  
Khody Land & Minerals Co.  
Mack Energy Corporation  
Yates Petroleum Corp.



State of New Mexico  
 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division  
 1220 S. St Francis Dr.  
 Santa Fe, NM 87505

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, RE-ENTER, DEEPEN, PLUGBACK, OR ADD A ZONE

1. Operator Name and Address APACHE CORP 303 Veterans Airpark Lane Midland, TX 79705		2. OGRID Number 873
		3. API Number 30-015-38546
4. Property Code 308701	5. Property Name A STATE	6. Well No. 045

7. Surface Location

UL - Lot	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet From	N/S Line	Feet From	E/W Line	County
E	26	17S	28E	E	2310	N	1120	W	EDDY

8. Pool Information

ARTESIA; GLORIETA-YESO (O)	96830
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Additional Well Information

9. Well Type New Well	10. Well Type OIL	11. Cable/Rotary	12. Lease Type State	13. Ground Level Elevation 3666
14. Multiple N	15. Proposed Depth 6100	16. Formation Yeso Formation	17. Contractor	18. Spud Date
Depth to Ground water		Distance from nearest fresh water well		Distance to nearest surface water
Pit: Liner: Synthetic <input type="checkbox"/> mls thick Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume: bbls Drilling Method: Closed Loop System <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Water <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brine <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel/Oil-based <input type="checkbox"/> Gas/Air <input type="checkbox"/>				

19. Proposed Casing and Cement Program

Type	Hole Size	Casing Type	Casing Weight/ft	Setting Depth	Sacks of Cement	Estimated TOC
Surf	12.25	8.625	24	400	300	
Prod	7.875	5.5	17	6100	1000	

Casing/Cement Program: Additional Comments

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Proposed Blowout Prevention Program

Type	Working Pressure	Test Pressure	Manufacturer
Hydriil	3000	2000	

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the drilling pit will be constructed according to NMOCD guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> , a general permit <input type="checkbox"/> , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan <input type="checkbox"/> .	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
	Approved By: Randy Dade	
	Title: District Supervisor	
	Approved Date: 3/14/2011	Expiration Date: 3/14/2013
	Conditions of Approval Attached	

Printed Name: Electronically filed by Bobby Smith

Title:

Email Address: bobby.smith@apachecorp.com

Date: 3/10/2011

Phone: 432-818-1020

EXHIBIT A



- Point Locations**
- County Seat
  - ▲ SLO District Offices
  - City, Town or Village
  - ★ Volcanic Vents
  - Highway Mileposts
- NMOCSD Oil and Gas Wells**
- Oil
  - Injection
  - ★ Carbon Dioxide
  - Miscellaneous
  - ☆ Gas
  - ◆ Water
  - ◇ DA or PA
  - △ Salt Water Disposal
- Federal Minerals**
- All Minerals
  - Coal Only
  - Oil and Gas Only
  - Oil, Gas and Coal Only
  - Other Minerals
- State Trust Lands**
- Surface Estate
  - Subsurface Estate
  - Both Estates
- NMSLO Leasing**
- Option Agreement
  - Commercial Lease
  - Minerals Lease
  - Oil and Gas Lease
  - Agricultural Lease
  - Not Available for Oil and Gas Leasing
  - Restriction Influences Oil and Gas Leasing
- Other Boundaries**
- Continental Divide
  - State Boundary
  - County Boundaries
  - Oil and Gas Unit Boundary
  - Participating Areas in Units
  - Geologic Regions
  - Potash Enclave (NMOCSD R-111-P)

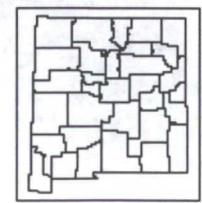
**New Mexico State Land Office**  
**Oil, Gas, and Minerals**

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 Miles  
 Universal Transverse Mercator Projection, Zone 13  
 1983 North American Datum

**EXHIBIT B**

The New Mexico State Land Office assumes no responsibility or liability for, or in connection with, the accuracy, reliability or use of the information provided here, in State Land Office data layers or any other data layer.  
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 logic@slo.state.nm.us

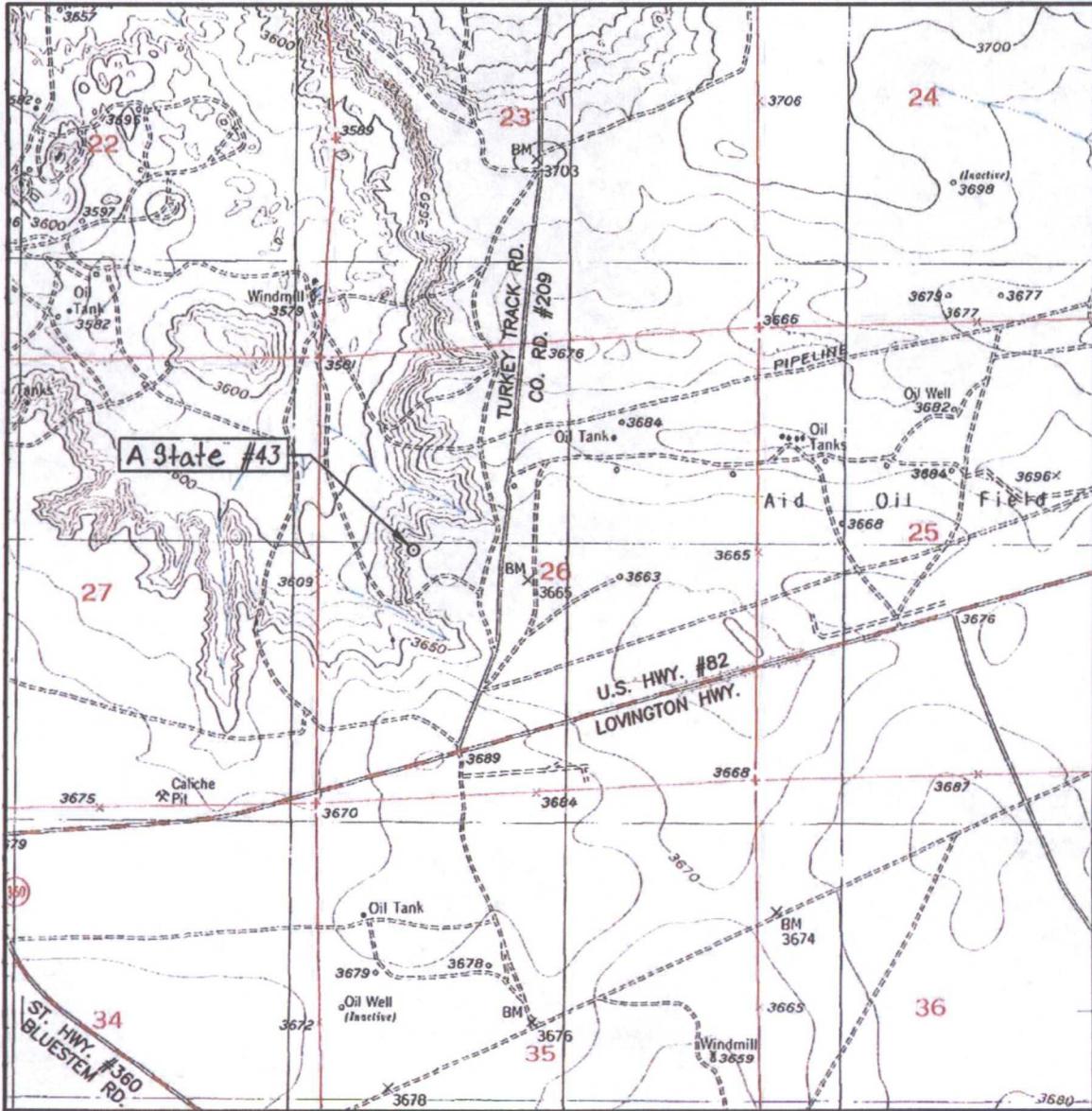
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For detailed legend of the Geologic Map of New Mexico, please see <http://geoinfo.nmt.edu/>

# 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 2310' FNL & 1120' FWL

ELEVATION 3666'

OPERATOR APACHE CORPORATION

LEASE A STATE

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

**EXHIBIT C**



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

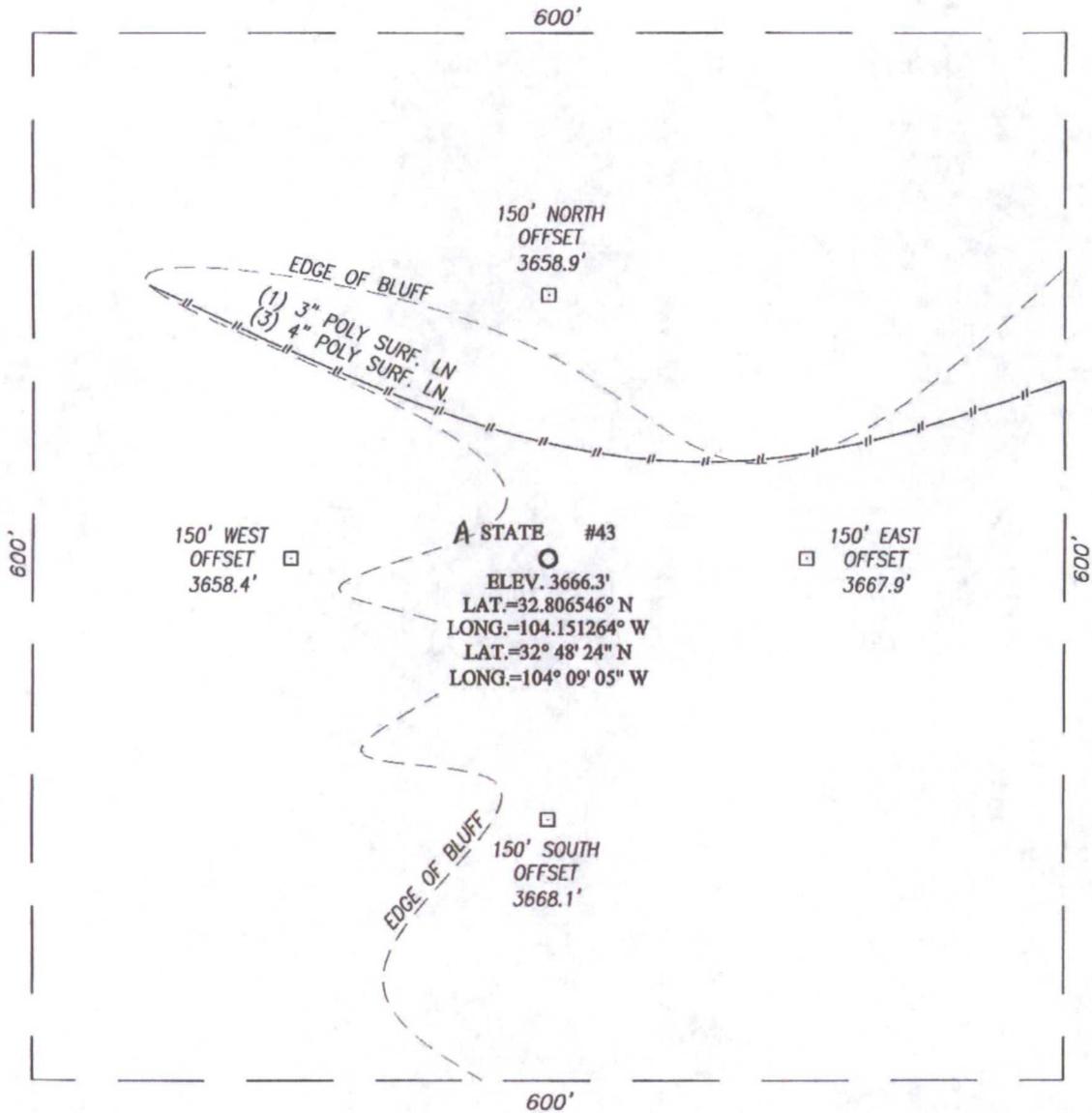
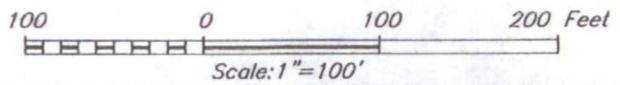


EXHIBIT C

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. HWY. #82 (LOVINGTON HWY.) AND CO. RD. #209 (TURKEY TRACK RD.), GO NORTH APPROX. 0.5 MILES. TURN LEFT AND GO WEST APPROX. 0.1 MILE TO AN EXISTING PAD. CONTINUE WEST APPROX. 0.1 MILE TO THIS LOCATION.



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**APACHE CORPORATION**

**A STATE #43 WELL**  
 LOCATED 2310 FEET FROM THE NORTH LINE  
 AND 1120 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 26,  
 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M.,  
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Survey Date: 1/20/11	Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets
W.O. Number: 11.11.0085	Dr By: DSS
Date: 1/31/11	11110085
	Scale: 1"=100'

Looking west at center stake and top of slope.

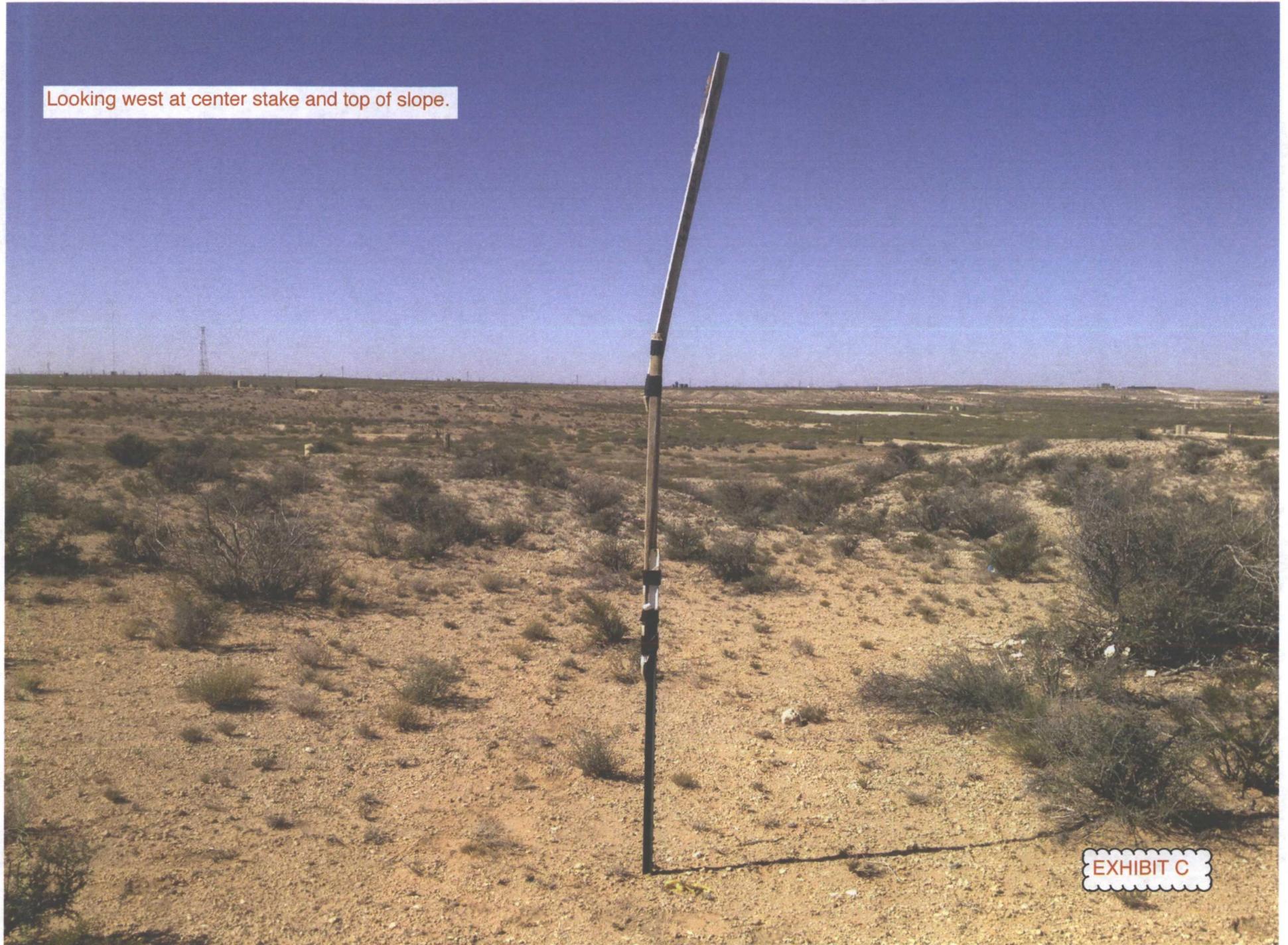


EXHIBIT C

District I

1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
Phone:(505) 393-6161 Fax:(505) 393-0720

District II

1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, NM 88210  
Phone:(505) 748-1283 Fax:(505) 748-9720

District III

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410  
Phone:(505) 334-6178 Fax:(505) 334-6170

District IV

1220 S. St Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505  
Phone:(505) 476-3470 Fax:(505) 476-3462

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-102  
Permit 127508

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 S. St Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

1. API Number 30-015-38546	2. Pool Code 96830	3. Pool Name ARTESIA; GLORIETA-YESO (O)
4. Property Code 308701	5. Property Name A STATE	6. Well No. 043
7. OGRID No. 873	8. Operator Name APACHE CORP	9. Elevation 3666

10. Surface Location

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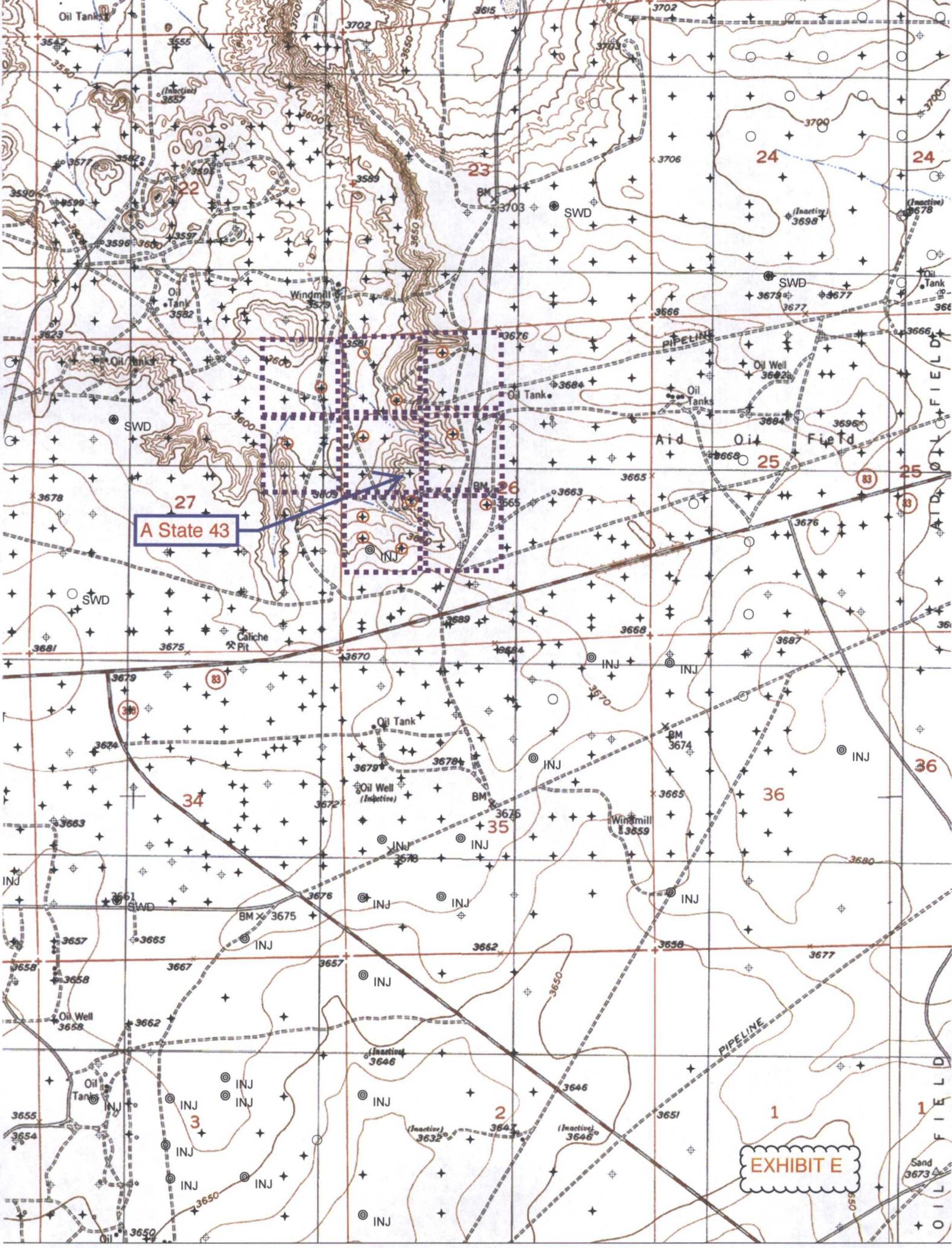
11. Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL - Lot	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet From	N/S Line	Feet From	E/W Line	County
12. Dedicated Acres 40.00		13. Joint or Infill		14. Consolidation Code			15. 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 style="text-align: center;"><b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b></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 bottom hole location(s) 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>E-Signed By: Bobby Smith Title: Date: 3/10/2011</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b></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>Surveyed By: RONALD EIDSON Date of Survey: 1/19/2011 Certificate Number: 3239</p>
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EXHIBIT D



A State 43

EXHIBIT E

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PIPELINE

Aid Oil Field

PIPELINE

Oil Tank

Oil Tanks

Oil Well

# PERMITS WEST, INC.

PROVIDING PERMITS for LAND USERS

37 Verano Loop, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508 (505) 466-8120

December 14, 2012

David Evans  
Concho Resources Inc.  
600 West Illinois Ave.  
Midland, TX 79701

Dear Mr. Evans:

As required by New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Rules, I am notifying you of the following nonstandard location (NSL) for a well. This letter is a notice only. No action is needed unless you have questions or objections.

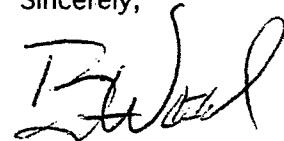
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Proposed NSL Zone: Artesia; Glorieta-Yeso (O)  
NSL Acreage Dedication: 40 acres (SWNW Section 26, T. 17 S., R. 28 E., Eddy County, NM)  
on NMSLO lease X0-0647-0405  
Location:  $\approx 10$  air mile west of Loco Hills, NM at 2310 FNL & 1120 FWL 26-17s-28e)  
Applicant Name: Apache Corporation (432) 818-1167  
Applicant's Address: 303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 300, Midland TX 79705

Submittal Information: Application for a nonstandard location will be filed with the NM Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD). If you have an objection, then it must be filed in writing within 20 days from the date the NMOCD receives the application. The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division address is 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505. Their phone number is (505) 476-3440.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Brian Wood

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37 Verano Loop, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508 (505) 466-8120

December 14, 2012

Khody Land & Minerals Co.  
3817 NW Expressway, Suite 950  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

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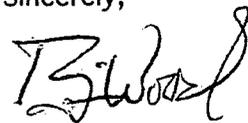
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37 Verano Loop, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508 (505) 466-8120

December 14, 2012

Mack Energy Corporation  
P. O. Box 960  
Artesia, NM 88211

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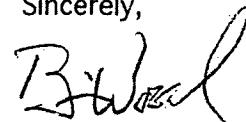
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December 14, 2012

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105 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Artesia, NM 88210

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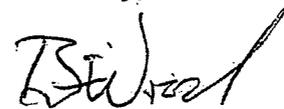
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