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March 1, 2013

ConocoPhillips Company
Attn: Ms. Donna Williams

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6755
Administrative Application Reference No. pPRG1303657491

ConocoPhillips Company
OGRID 217817
Buck 17 Federal Well No. 6H
API No. 30-025-40901

Proposed Location:

	<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Twsp</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
Surface	28 FSL & 2604 FEL	O	17	26S	32E	Lea
Penetration Point	330 FSL & 2604 FEL	O	17	26S	32E	Lea
Terminus	330 FNL & 2340 FEL	B	17	26S	32E	Lea

Proposed Project Area:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
W/2 E/2 of Section 17	160	Jennings; Upper Bone Spring Shale	97838

Reference is made to your application received on February 1, 2013.

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.

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 effectively drain the hydrocarbons underlying this section.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jami Bailey".

Jami Bailey
Director

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