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Attention: Mike Hanagan, Geologist

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Administrative Order NSL-4568

Dear Mr. Hanagan:

Reference is made to your application dated March 16, 2001 for an unorthodox Devonian oil well location for Manzano Oil Corporation's ("Manzano") proposed Rum Point State Well No. 1 to be drilled 330 feet from the North line and 1200 feet from the East line (Lot 1/Unit A) of Section 2, Township 14 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Lot 1 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 41.43-acre oil spacing and proration unit for the King-Devonian Pool.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F, revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999.

It is our understanding that Manzano is seeking this location exception based on a 3-D seismic survey of the immediate area, whereby it contends that a well drilled at this location, will be at a more favorable geologic position within the Devonian formation underlying the subject 40-acre unit.

Further, it appears that the area comprising the NE/4 equivalent of Section 2 is a single state lease issued by the New Mexico State Land Office (State Lease No. VO-5839) in which Manzano is the leasehold operator; therefore, it is assumed that there are no effected offsets to the subject 40-acre tract other than Manzano.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,



Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe

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