

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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El Paso Natural Gas Company
P. O. Box 997
Farmington, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. E. S. Oberly

Administrative Order NSL-149

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for approval of an unorthodox well location for your Johnston State Well No. 3 (PM) to be located 1273 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line and in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 32, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, Blanco Mesaverde and South Blanco Pictured Cliffs Pools, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that this unorthodox well location is based upon extreme topographic conditions in the NE/4 of said section.

Inasmuch as the proposed location does not fall within a 790 foot radius of any lease held by any other offset operator, it is possible for immediate approval to be granted. Therefore, by authority granted me under provisions of Rule 4 (f) of the Commission Rules and Regulations, you are hereby granted an exception to Rule 4 (d) (2) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for the above described unorthodox well location. You must also obtain like approval from the U. S. Geological Survey, if the well is located on land subject to the jurisdiction of the U. S. Geological Survey.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.,
Secretary-Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Commission - Aztec
U. S. Geological Survey - Farmington

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