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October 27,1988

CIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

Mr. William LeMay New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O.Box 2088 Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

Re:Unorthodox Gas Well Location Northeast Blanco Unit No. 431 795'FSL - 1825'FEL, Sec.17, T30N, R7W Rio Arriba Co., New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay;

Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. requests administrative approval of an exception to the location requirements of Rule 7, R -8768 for the subject well, located in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool.

This request is for exception due to topography. A Vicinity Map and C-102 are attached for your reference. As evidenced by the Vicinity Map, there are no standard locations above the high water line of Navajo Reservoir in the southwest quarter. In the alternative the well was staked at a standard location in the southeast quarter.

The south half of Section 17 will be dedicated to this well. All offset proration units are operated by Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd.

Your prompt consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely

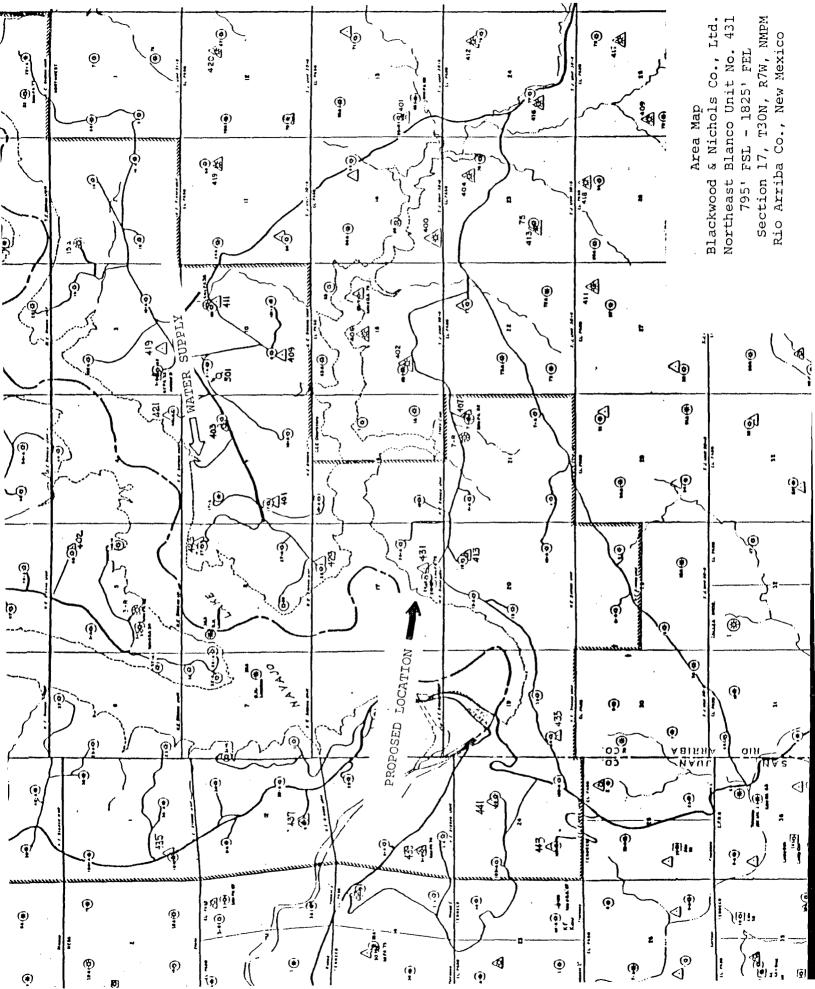
William F. Clark Operations Manager Blackwood & Nichols

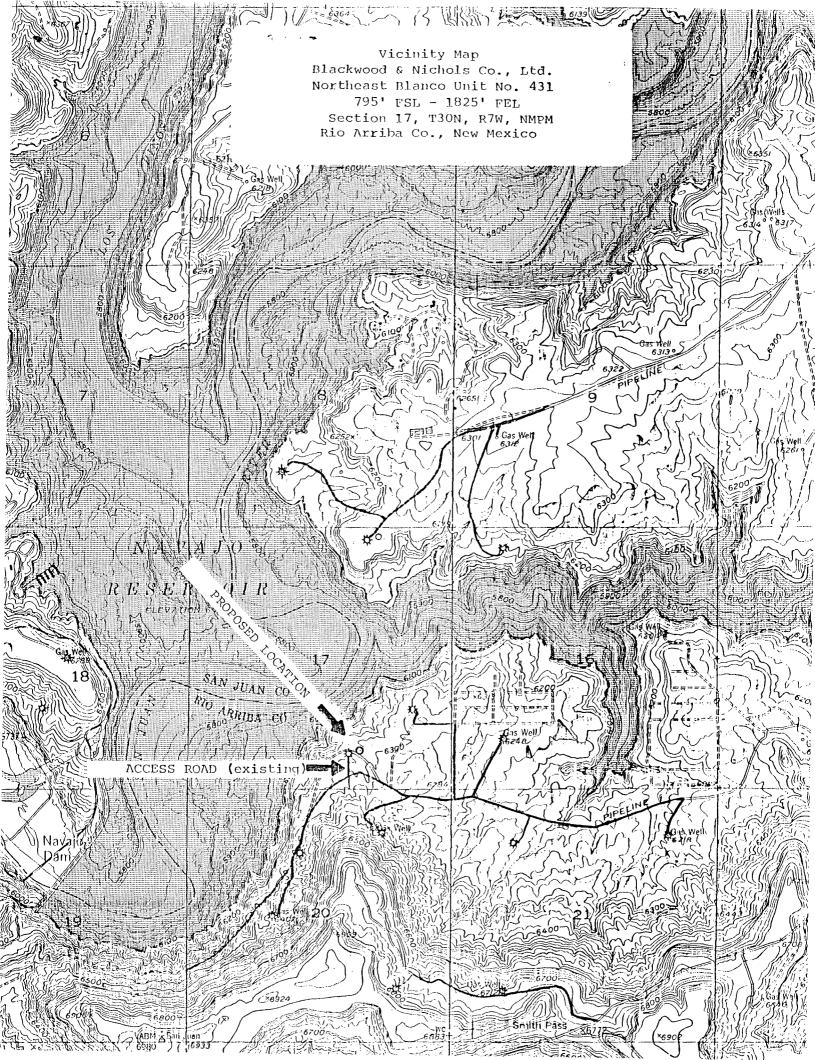
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Gentlemen:
I have examined the application dated 10-31-88
for the Blackwood twicker's NEBU # 431 0-17-30N-76 Operator Lease and Well No. Unit, S-T-R
Operator Lease and Well No. Unit, S-T-R
and my recommendations are as follows:
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Yours truly,