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February 21, 1990

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. 429R
225' FNL - 1640' FEL, Sec. 17, T30N, R7W
Rio Arriba Co., New Mexico

Dear Mr. LeMay;

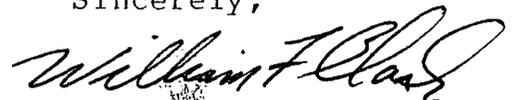
Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. requests administrative approval of an exception to the footage requirements of Rule 7, R-8768 for the subject well, located in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool.

This request is for exception due to topography. A Vicinity Map and C-102 are attached for your reference. Blackwood & Nichols staked this location at the non - standard footage in order to use as much of the existing pad as possible. This well pad is offset in all directions by archeological sites which necessitates the use of the existing pad. The area on the bench below (South) of the present location has the same problem with archeology. This area was investigated earlier in an attempt to stake a Mesa Verde location. The nearest Fruitland Coal well is 2400' away.

The north half of Section 17, T30N, R7W, will be dedicated to this well. Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. owns or operates all the offset proration units.

Your prompt consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,



William F. Clark
Operations Manager
Blackwood & Nichols
Co., Ltd.

Submit to Appropriate
District Office
State Lease - 4 copies
Fee Lease - 3 copies

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102
Revised 1-1-89

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P.O. Box 2088

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

DISTRICT I
P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II
P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

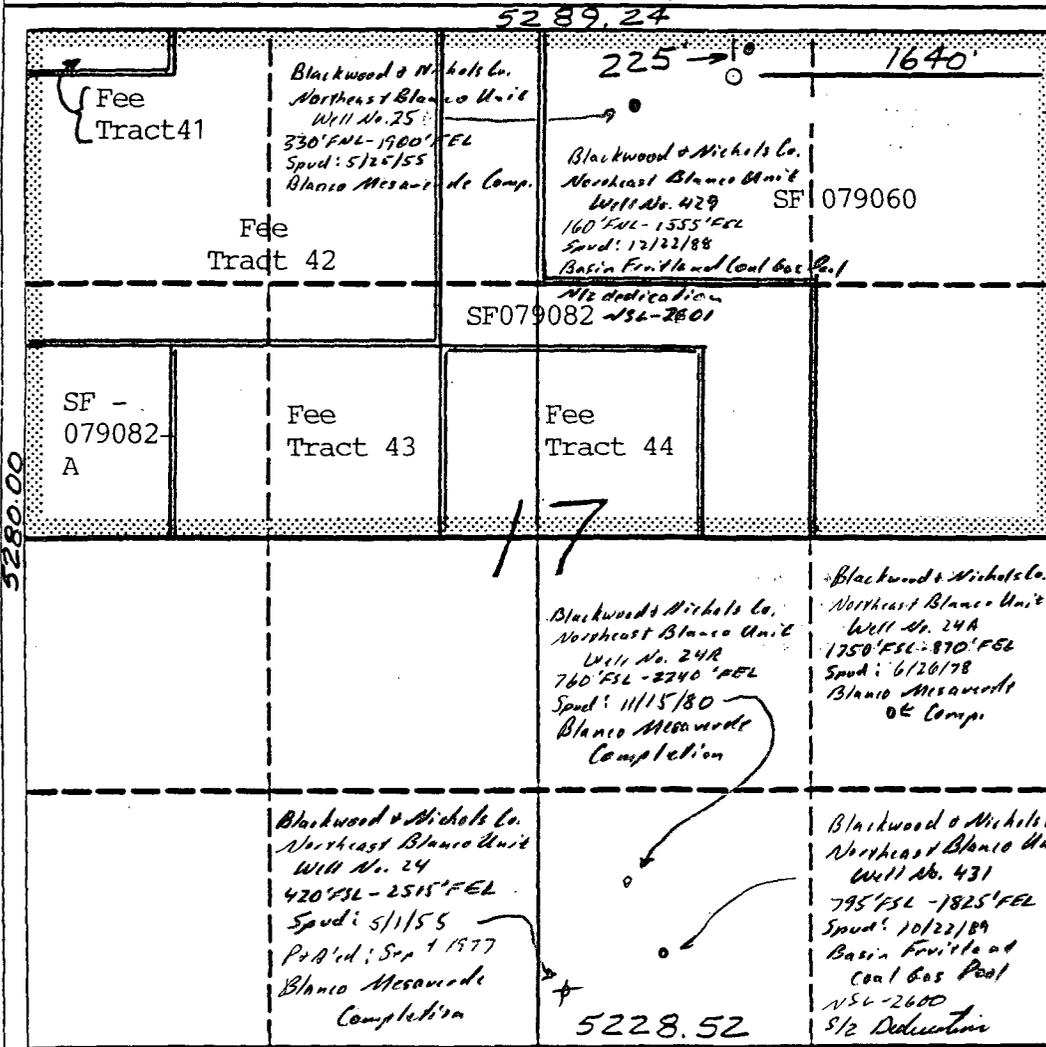
DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brizos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section

Operator Blackwood & Nichols Co., LTD.		Lease Northeast Blanco Unit		Well No. 429 R
Unit Letter B	Section 17	Township 30 North	Range 7 West	County Rio Arriba
Actual Footage Location of Well: 225 feet from the North line and 1640 feet from the East line				
Ground level Elev. 6265'	Producing Formation Fruitland Coal	Pool Basin Fruitland Coal	Dedicated Acreage: 320 Acres	

- Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or lacquer marks on the plat below.
 - If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).
 - If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interest of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.?
 - Yes No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation Unitization
- If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.)
- No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard tract, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division.



OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature
William F. Clark

Printed Name
William F. Clark

Position
Operations Manager

Company
Blackwood & Nichols Co.

Date

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

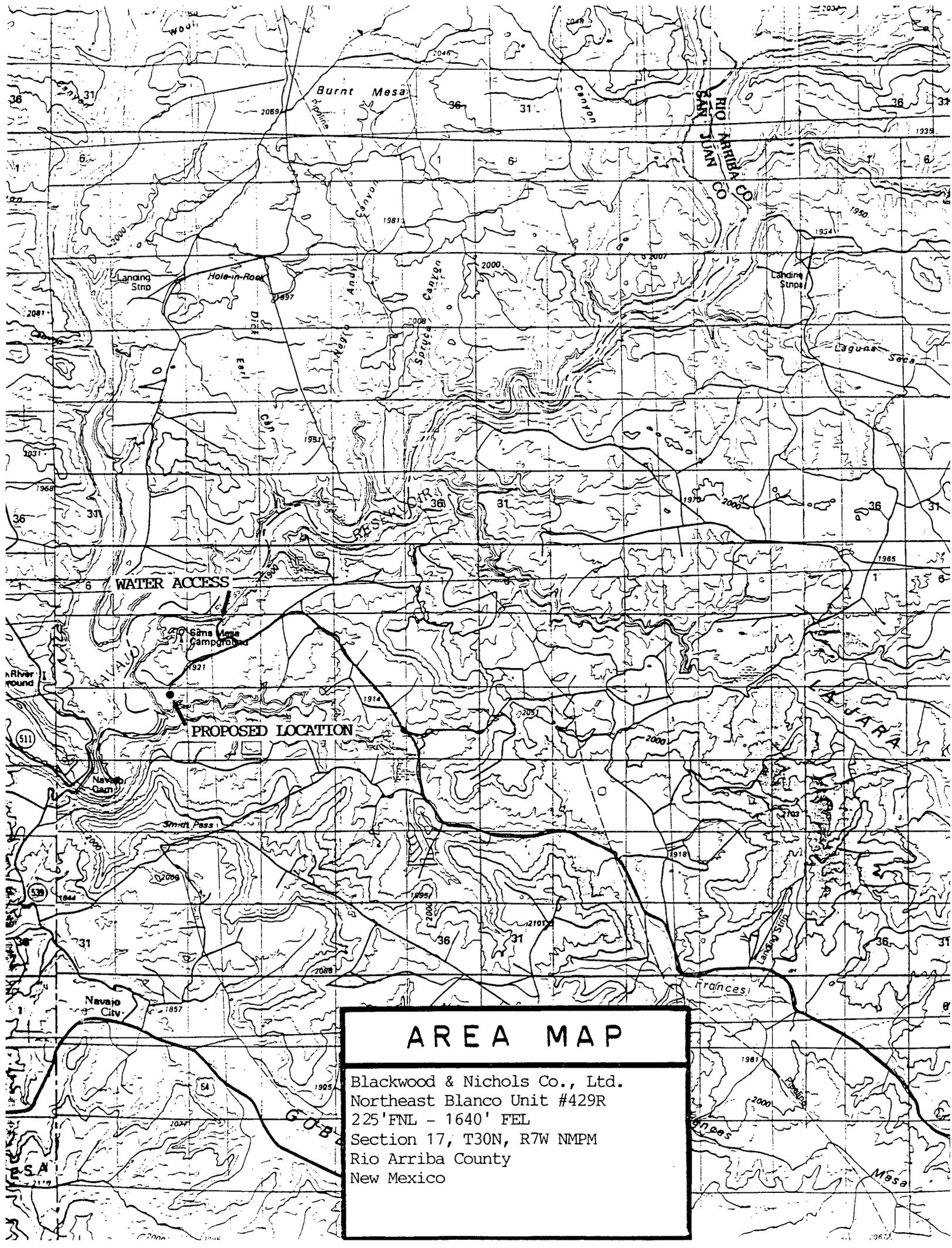
I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes, actual surveys made by me or under supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Surveyed
1-26-96

Signature of Surveyor
NEALE C. EDWARDS

Professional Surveyor
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR

Certificate No.
6857

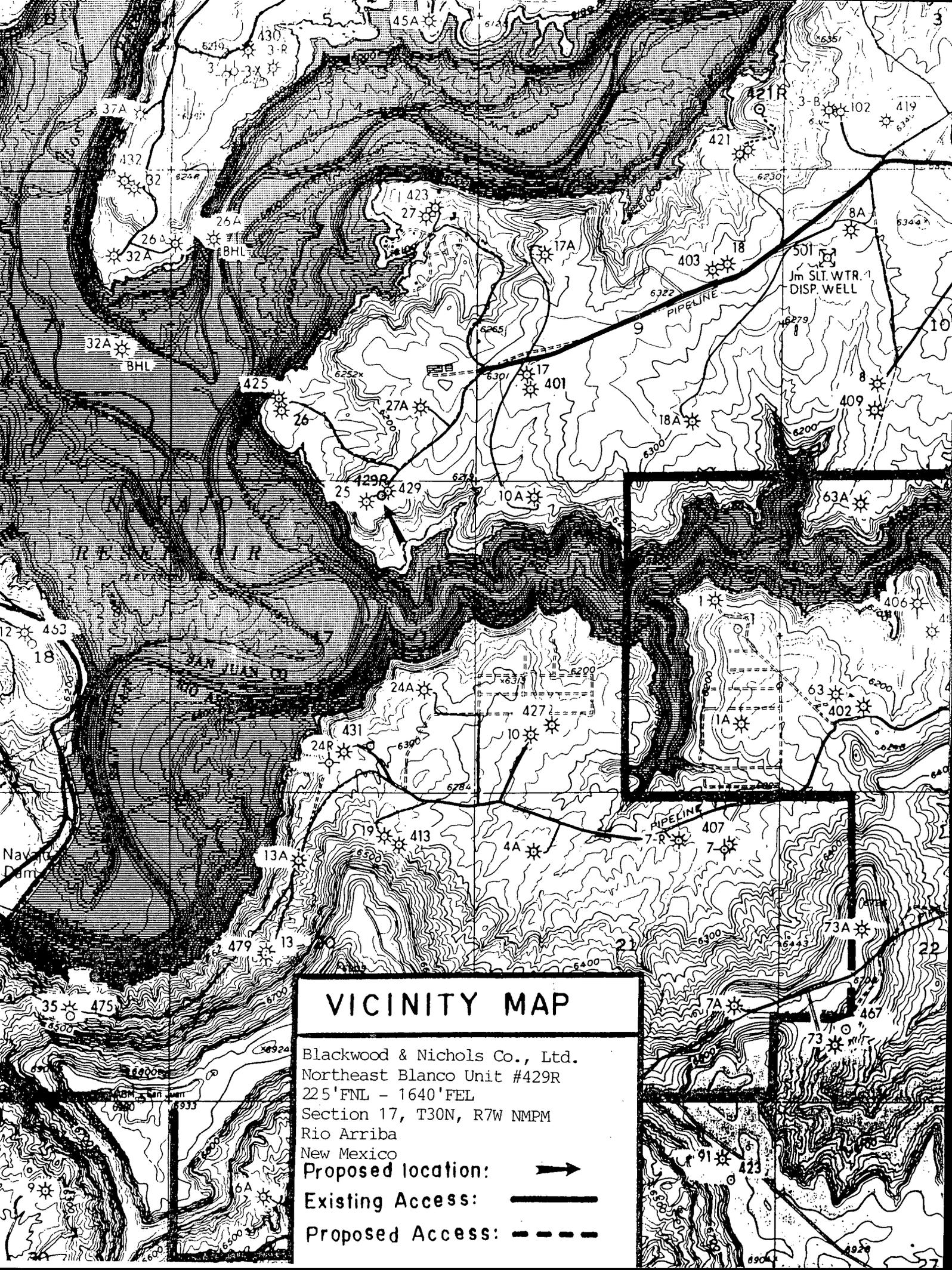


WATER ACCESS

PROPOSED LOCATION

AREA MAP

Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd.
Northeast Blanco Unit #429R
225' FNL - 1640' FEL
Section 17, T30N, R7W NMPM
Rio Arriba County
New Mexico



VICINITY MAP

Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd.
 Northeast Blanco Unit #429R
 225'FNL - 1640'FEL
 Section 17, T30N, R7W NMPM
 Rio Arriba
 New Mexico

Proposed location: 

Existing Access: 

Proposed Access: 



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT
 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
 AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

ARREY CARRUTHERS
 GOVERNOR

1000 OLD BRAZOS ROAD
 AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410
 (505) 334-6170

Date: 2-26-90

ATTN:
 MIKE STOGNER

Oil Conservation Division
 P.O. Box 2088
 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Re: Proposed MC _____
 Proposed DHC _____
 Proposed NSL X _____
 Proposed SWD _____
 Proposed WFX _____
 Proposed PMX _____

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Gentlemen:

I have examined the application dated 2-23-90
 for the Blackwood & Nichols Co. LTD. N.E.B.U. #4294
 Operator Lease & Well No.

B-17-30N-2W and my recommendations are as follows:
 Unit, S-T-R

Approve

Yours truly,

Janice B. [Signature]

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March 19, 1990

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
State Land Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Attention: Mr. Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

Re: Northeast Blanco Unit No. 429R
225' FNL, 1600' FEL, Section 17, T30N, R7W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

In answer to your letter dated March 7, 1990, the NEBU Well No. 429R will be a replacement well for the NEBU No. 429.

The NEBU No. 429 was drilled through the Fruitland coal with weighted mud and 5-1/2" casing was run and cemented in place. The casing was perforated in the coal zones and the well was fracture stimulated with sand and 30# X-link borate gel. After the frac the well had a natural flow of 470 MCFD.

The NEBU No. 429 is in an area where open hole completed wells have gauged between 2600 MCFD and 18,800 MCFD. The proposed replacement well, the NEBU No. 429R will be completed open hole with an anticipated minimum gauge of 3200 MCFD.

The present status of the NEBU No. 429 is waiting on tie-in. When the NEBU No. 429R is drilled, the NEBU No. 429 will either be converted to a pressure observation well or plugged and abandoned, depending upon partner approval.

Sincerely,



William F. Clark
Operations Manager



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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

GARREY CARRUTHERS
GOVERNOR

POST OFFICE BOX 2088
STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504
(505) 827-5800

March 7, 1990

Blackwood & Nichols Co.
P.O. Box 1237
Durango, CO 81302

Attention: William F. Clark,
Operations Manager

*RE: Unorthodox gas well location, Northeast Blanco
Unit No. 429-R, 225' FNL - 1640' FEL, B-17-
T30N-R7W, Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, Rio
Arriba County, New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Clark:

This application appears to be a replacement well for your No. 429 located 160 feet from the North line and 1555 feet from the East line (Unit B) of said Section 17, which is an unorthodox coal gas well location previously authorized by Division Administrative Order NSL-2601, dated November 8, 1988. However, your application failed to address what the status of the No. 429 well is at this time.

So that the file may be complete for this application, please provide detailed information on the No. 429 well and the reason a second well is needed for this proration unit.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Stogner", written over a horizontal line.

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

MES/ag

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
William J. LeMay, Director
US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
US Bureau of Reclamation - Durango



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March 7, 1990

US Bureau of Reclamation
Durango Projects Office
P.O. Box 640
Durango, CO 81302-0640

Attention: Steve Sacks
Projects Manager

RE: *Unorthodox coal gas well location, Blackwood
& Nichols Co., Ltd., Northeast Blanco Unit
Well No. 429R, 225' FNL - 1640' FEL, B-
17-T30N-R7W, San Juan County, New
Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Sacks:

Enclosed please find a copy of an unorthodox coal gas well location request that the NMOCD received on February 26, 1990. This information is being provided for your records since the well is within your jurisdiction. Should you have any comments or suggestions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Stogner", written over a horizontal line.

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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cc: US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
William J. LeMay - OCD Director
Blackwood & Nichols Co., Ltd. - Durango