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Santa Fe, NM 87505

Attention: Brian Wood

Administrative Order NSL-2720

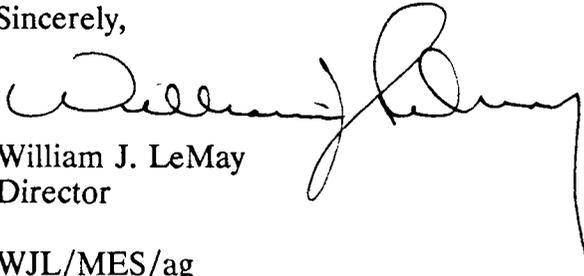
Dear Mr. Wood:

Reference is made to your letter dated November 27, 1989 requesting approval of an unorthodox coal gas well location for Richmond's Federal 9 Well No. 1 to be located 510 feet from the North line and 210 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 9, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that this well location was originally approved by Division Order No. R-9033 to be drilled at an unorthodox coal gas well location 360 feet from the North line and 120 feet from the East line (Unit A) of said Section 9; however to appease certain federal government mandates, this location was moved to the aforementioned location which is less unorthodox than the location approved by said Order No. R-9033.

Pursuant to Decretory Paragraph No. 15 of said Division Order No. R-9033, the above described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,


William J. LeMay
Director

WJL/MES/ag

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
NM Oil and Gas Engineering Committee - Hobbs
US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
US Bureau of Reclamation - Durango