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July 14, 1993

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
Attn: Mike Stogner  
P O Box 2088  
Santa Fe, N.M. 87504

RE: Application for Unorthodox Location  
Nassau Resources, Inc.  
Carracas Unit-PC 35B #8  
1340' FNL - 1085' FEL  
Sec. 35, T32N, R4W, NMPM  
Rio Arriba County, NM

Gentlemen:

Nassau Resources, Inc., hereby requests administrative approval of an unorthodox location for the captioned well. This is the only location in the NE quarter that the United States Forest Service will approve.

This is a resubmittal of an application dated February 10, 1993, and withdrawn April 19, 1993.

All interest owners, as shown on the attached lease plat, have been notified of this application by certified mail. The only offsetting operator, McHugh companies, is an operating affiliate with Nassau Resources, Inc.

Also attached are copies of the surveyor's plat, topographic map, production map, and Forest Service guidelines.

Please contact us if anything further is required to complete this application.

Respectfully submitted,

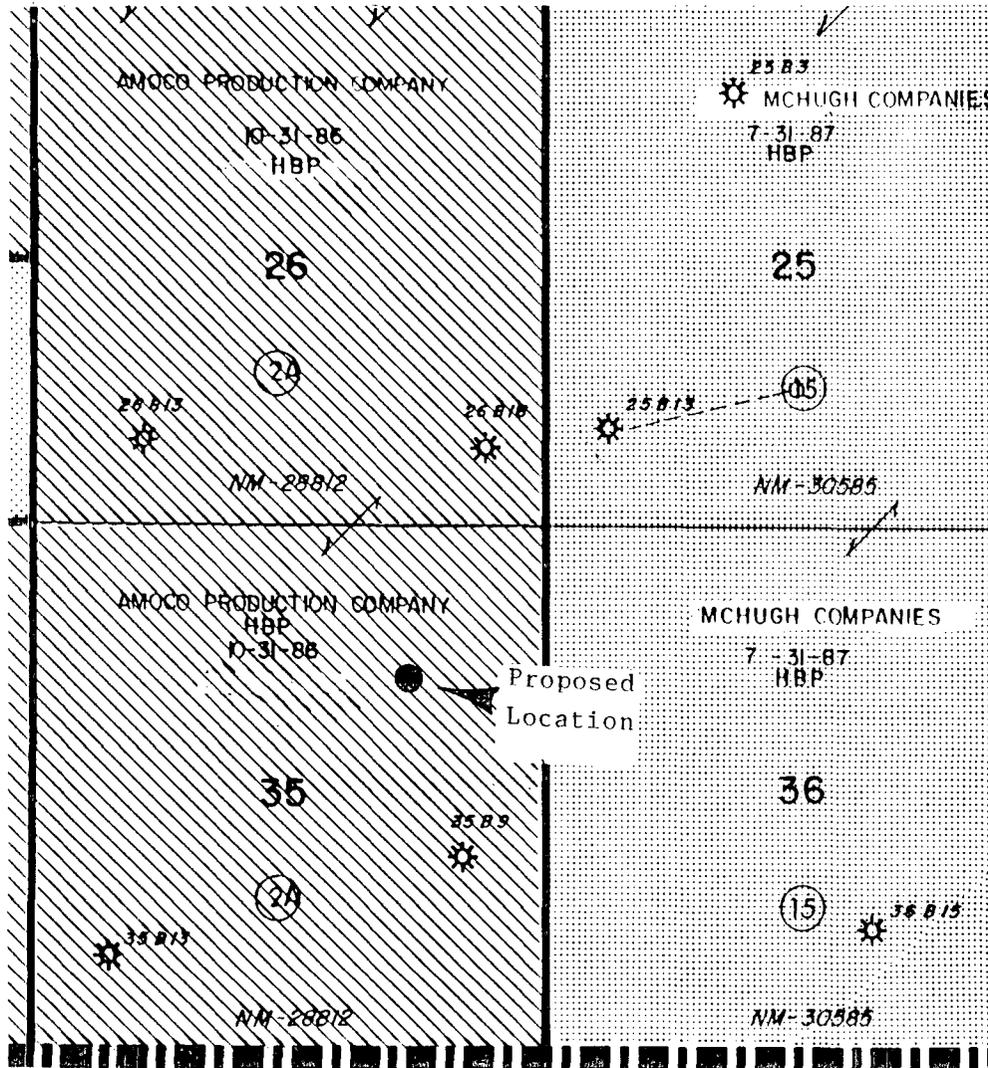
*Fran Perrin*

Fran Perrin  
Admin. Asst.

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Attachments

XC: Ernie Busch, NMOCD, Aztec, NM.  
Amoco Production Co.  
Frontier Energy Corp.  
McHugh Companies

LEASE PLAT



NM-28812

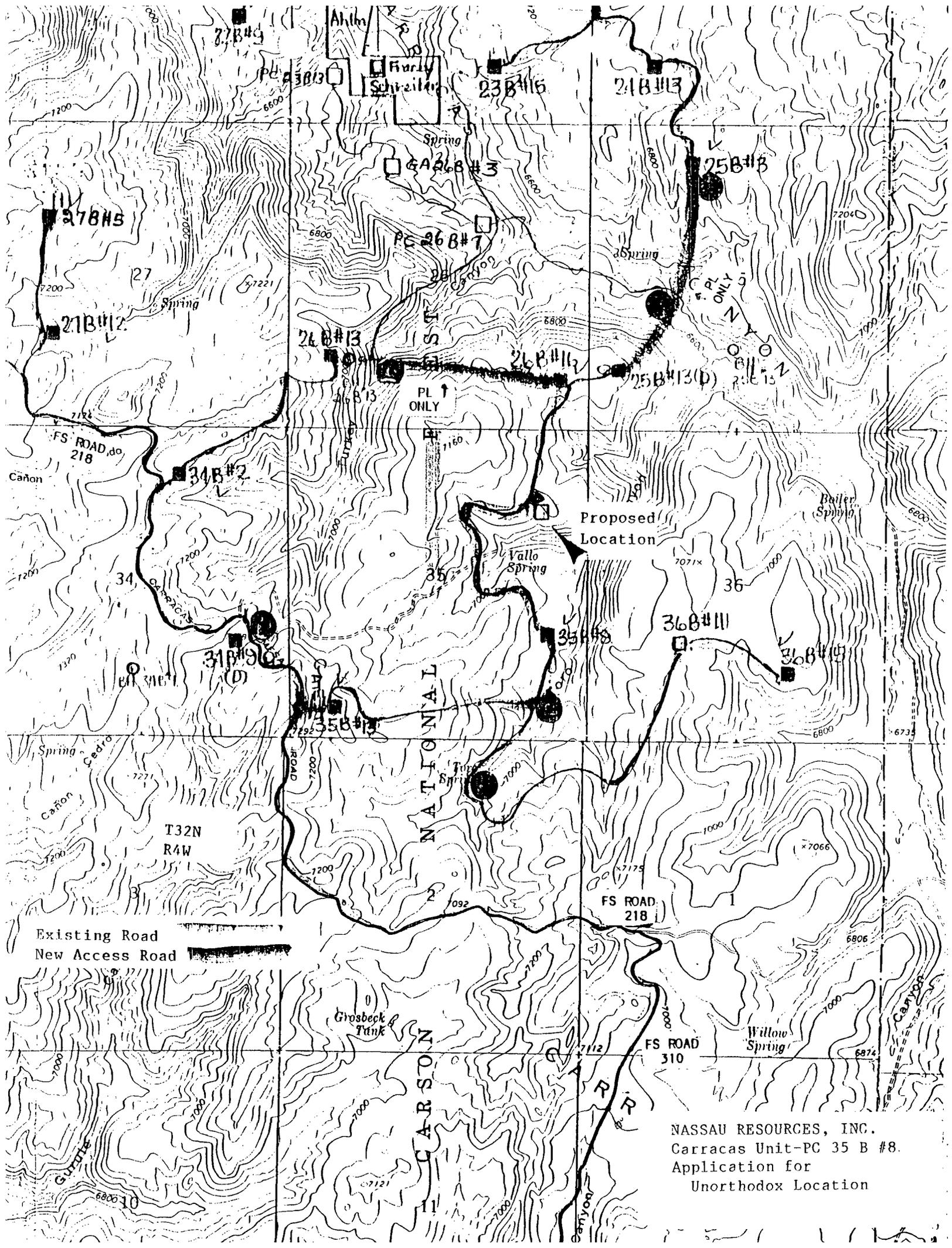
Amoco Production Co. 12.5%  
 Frontier Energy Corp. 12.5%  
 McHugh Companies 75%

*Standard  
 640-acre Section*

NM-30585

McHugh Companies 100%

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Existing Road  
 New Access Road

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CU 26B  
#13 &  
CU-PC  
26B #13

CU 26B  
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Proposed  
CU 35B  
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CU 35B #9

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Submits Appropriate  
District Office  
State Lease - 4 copies  
Fee Lease - 3 copies

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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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 Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

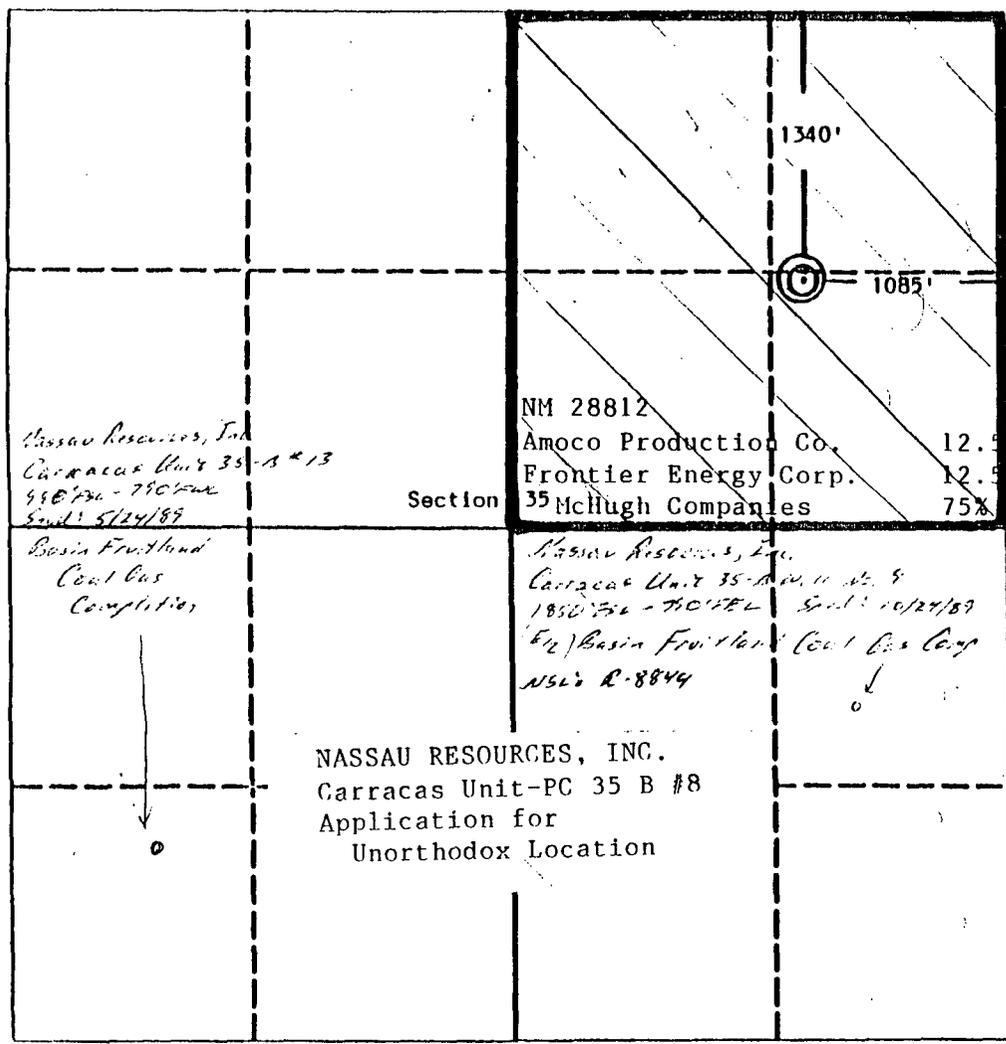
All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section

Operator Nassau Resources, Inc.			Lease Carracas Unit-PC 35 B			Well No. 8		
Unit Letter H	Section 35	Township 32 North	Range 4 West	County NMPM		Rio Arriba		

Actual Footage Location of Well:  
1340 feet from the North line and 1085 feet from the East line

Ground level Elev. 7010	Producing Formation Pictured Cliffs	Pool Undesignated Pictured Cliffs	Dedicated Acreage: 160.0 Acres
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- Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure 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 communization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.?  
 Yes     No    If answer is "yes" type of consolidation \_\_\_\_\_  
 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 communization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division.



**OPERATOR CERTIFICATION**

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

Signature: *Fran Perrin*  
 Printed Name: Fran Perrin  
 Position: Regulatory Liaison  
 Company: Nassau Resources, Inc.  
 Date: 2/2/93

**SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION**

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

Date Surveyed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: *Edgar L. Risenhoover*  
 Professional Surveyor No. 3979  
 Certificate No. 3979  
 Edgar L. Risenhoover, P.S.

Reply to: 2820

Date: August 3, 1988

Mr. James Hazen  
Nassau Resources, Inc.  
P.O. Box 809  
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

Dear James:

It was brought to my attention by Mike Atchison that you will be needing to apply for some unorthodox locations for some of the wells in the Carracas Unit. The current location in need of unorthodox approval is the well location just northwest of the Carracas Administrative site, Section 18, T. 32 N., R. 4 W. The need for moving the location to the new site is based upon wildlife habitat protection and in keeping within the guidelines set forth in the Carson Forest Plan. The Plan, as you know, has a major emphasis in wildlife and wildlife habitat. Also key to this request for moving the location is the current Off-Road-Vehicle restriction policy in place over the entire Carracas Unit. This restriction is in place to limit off-road-vehicle travel within a key wildlife management area so that security area will not be lost by unnecessary road construction.

Whenever possible, locations will be required to be placed along open access roads. Further unorthodox locations can be expected within the Carracas Unit to keep in line with the management direction set forth for this area.

Because of this management direction and the probability of future relocations, I would hope the approval of these unorthodox locations can become routine. If not, please don't hesitate to contact me for further help or if needed to appear in person before the approving officer. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

*Philip R. Settles*

PHILIP R. SETTLES  
District Forest Ranger

THE PRIMARY REASON FOR THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION IS THE NECESSITY OF A TREE SCREEN PROTECTION FOR TURKEY CANYON; HOWEVER, THE TREES WILL ALSO BENEFIT THE MEXICAN SPOTTED OWL AND GOSS HAWKS, PER JIM TENSFIELD AND PHIL SETTLES. JP

Jerome P. McHugh  
Farmington, N.M.

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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Amoco Production Co.  
Attn: J W Hawkins - Land Department, Proration Group  
P O Box 800  
Denver, CO 80201

RE: Application for Unorthodox Location  
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Rio Arriba County, N.M.

Dear Mr. Hawkins:

Enclosed is a copy of the subject Application for Unorthodox Location. Amoco Production Co. is an interest owner in Lease No. NM 28812.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

Thank you,



Fran Perrin  
Admin. Asst.

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Enclosure

XC: NMOCD, Santa Fe, N.M.

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Frontier Energy Co.  
Attn: Dennis Jones  
1717 St. James Place, Suite 380  
Houston, Texas 77056

RE: Application for Unorthodox Location  
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Rio Arriba County, NM

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed is a copy of the subject Application for Unorthodox Location. Frontier Energy Co. is an interest owner in Lease No. NM 28812.

Please feel free to call if you have any question.

Thank you,



Fran Perrin  
Admin. Asst.

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United States  
Department of  
Agriculture

Forest  
Service

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Ranger District

Gobernador Route  
Blanco, NM 87412

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Reply to: 2820

Date: May 11, 1993

Mr. Michael Stogner  
Oil Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Dear Mike:

In response to your letter of April 22, 1993, and our phone conversation on May 10, 1993, the following comments are addressing our and your concerns:

1. At the initial stages of development of the Carracas Unit, we were very cautious in approving certain activities and placement of well locations as we did not have much data concerning their effects upon wildlife. Since then we have gained information to better ascertain how to manage these activities. We are now better able to provide proper management direction. There were some locations that were proposed in the initial development that we couldn't approve but with this added information are now able to approve. Other options need to be considered for other locations.
2. 22B #4 (Shown on attached map ) - We have accessed this proposed well and are in agreement with its location.
3. 27B #8 (Shown on attached map ) - This is one of the locations that still requires looking at other options. Some of the options we have looked at are:
  - a) Moving this well to the west side of the canyon (as shown ) and accessing the well from the new road into the 22B #14 and directional drilling.
  - b) Another option is to move the initial location to the south and directional drill both the proposed well and the future proposed well 27B #15 from the same pad (as shown ). Since these are PC wells we feel that this option exists and is feasible.
4. 28B #7 (Shown on attached map ) - This proposed location is okay if moved as far south as possible to alleviate the need for another locked gate. If possible, this well could be directional drilled and that would be best.

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5. 35B #8 (Shown on attached map [redacted]) - We have accessed this proposed well and are in agreement with its location.

One important concern to keep in mind is Nassau Resources must consider the possibility of Mexican spotted owls (now a Federally listed species) being present and comply with all necessary surveys, mitigation measures and restrictions. All of these locations are adjacent to suitable MSO habitat.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on their proposed wells.

Sincerely,

*Philip R. Settles*

PHILIP R. SETTLES  
District Forest Ranger

cc:  
Fran Perrin,  
Nassau Resources

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June 23, 1993

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
Attn: Mike Stogner  
P O BOX 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Dear Mr. Stogner:

At the on-site inspection for the new Carracas Unit-PC 35B #8 location, the United States Forest Service, Jicarilla District asked that we move the location back to its original site. The rationale behind restaking the well was your letter dated March 17, 1993 and subsequent phone conversations between the Oil Conservation Division and Nassau personnel leading us to believe the original Carracas Unit-PC 35B #8 location would not be approved as staked.

Nassau is now in a quandary as how to proceed in future stakings. Associated costs will not allow us to stake wells and wait for on-site approval or disapproval. Questions over orthodox and unorthodox locations will be more numerous as added restrictions over the endangered status of the spotted owl come into play. It is apparent that Nassau needs direction as to how to best coordinate OCD and USFS concerns, so we can make logical and economical decisions on future drilling activities.

We appreciate your cooperation in the past and would greatly appreciate any help you could give us.

Sincerely,



Murphy Brasuel

xc: Phil Settles

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AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE

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DATE 8-9-93

*att: Mike Stogner*

RE: Proposed MC \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed DHC \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed NSL A \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed SWD \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed WFX \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed PMX \_\_\_\_\_

Gentlemen:

I have examined the application dated 7-16-93

for the NASSAU RESOURCES, INC CARRACAS UNIT-PC-35B#8  
Operator Lease and Well No. Unit, etc.

*H-35-32N-4w*

and my recommendations are as follows:

Approve  
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Yours truly,

*Lynia Bush*