



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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Conoco, Inc.
10 Desta Drive - Suite 100W
Midland, Texas 79705-4500
Attention: Kay Maddox

Administrative Order NSL-3974

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Reference is made to your application dated February 19, 1998, which was received by the Division in Santa Fe on February 23, 1998, for an unorthodox gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools for the proposed Jicarilla "E" Well No. 12-M to be drilled 30 feet from the North line and 1150 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 22, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The existing standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool comprising the W/2 of said Section 22, which is presently dedicated to Conoco Inc.'s Jicarilla "E" Well No. 12 (API No. 30-039-21515), located at a standard gas well location 1850 feet from the South and West lines (Unit K) of said Section 22, and the W/2 of said Section 22 being a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin Dakota Pool, are to be dedicated to said well.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2(d) of the "General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, the above-described unorthodox gas well location for the Jicarilla "E" Well No. 12-M is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Wrotenberg".

Lori Wrotenberg
Director

LW/MES/kv

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
W. Thomas Kellahin, Counsel - Santa Fe
Jimmy D. Carlile, Conoco, Inc. - Midland, Texas