



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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March 18, 2003

**Koch Exploration Company, LLC**  
20 East Greenway Plaza  
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Attention: Lance F. Harmon

Telefax No. (713) 544-6161

*Administrative Order NSL-4853 (SD)*

Dear Mr. Harmon:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on February 18, 2003 (*application reference No. pKRV0-304956847*); (ii) the Division's initial response by letter dated March 6, 2003 from Mr. Michael E. Stogner, Engineer in Santa Fe; (iii) your response by letter dated March 14, 2003 with information satisfactory to complete this application; and (iv) the records of the Division in Aztec and Santa Fe: all concerning Koch Exploration Company, LLC's ("Koch") request for an exception to the well location requirements [Rule 7 (a) (1)] provided within the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, for a non-standard infill gas well location within an existing standard 329.40-acre stand-up gas spacing unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool (71629) comprising Lots 1 through 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 30, Township 28 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of: (i) Rule 7 (b) of the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool*"; (ii) Division Rule 104.F, revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission ("Commission") in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999; and (iii) Rule 1207.A (2), revised by Division Order No. R-11205, issued by the Commission in Case No. 12177 on June 17, 1999.

This unit is currently dedicated to Koch's Christina Com "30" Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-28111), located at a standard gas well location 854 feet from the South line and 1190 feet from the West line (Lot 4/Unit M) of Section 30.

By the authority granted me under the applicable provisions of the special pool rules governing the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool and Division Rule 104.F (2), the following described well to be drilled as an unorthodox infill coal gas well on this 329.40-acre gas spacing unit is hereby

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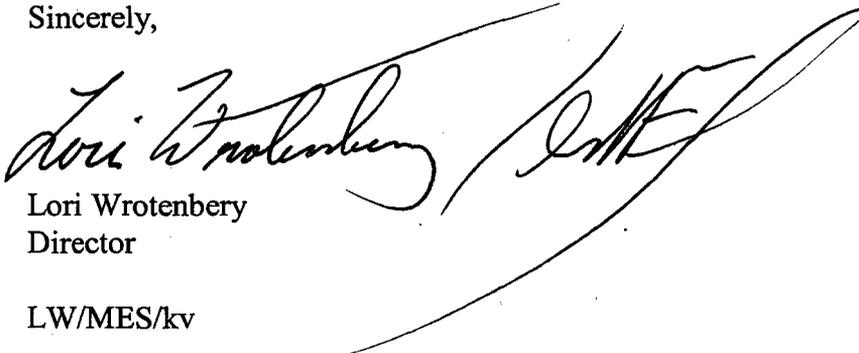
approved:

**Christina Com "30" Well No. 1-A  
290' FNL & 865' FWL (Lot 1/Unit D)**

Further, Koch is hereby authorized to simultaneously dedicate production attributed to the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool from its existing Christina Com "30" Well No. 1 with the proposed Christina Com "30" Well No. 1-A.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

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Lori Wrotenbery  
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington