



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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April 23, 2002

Lori Wrotenbery
Director
Oil Conservation Division

El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.
P. O. Box 190
Raton, New Mexico 87740
Attention: Don Lankford

Administrative Order NSL-4251-A

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated March 27, 2002 (*application reference No. pKRV0-209239444*), which was received by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe on April 1, 2002; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s request to drill its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "F" Well No. 17 at an unorthodox coal gas well location 1907 feet from the South line and 777 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 20, Township 32 North, Range 21 East, as projected into the (Public unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico. This well location being necessary for topographic reasons is non-standard because it is closer than 660 feet from the northern boundary of the State of New Mexico.

The SE/4 of Section 20 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 160 acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Stubblefield Canyon Raton-Vermejo Coal Gas Pool (96970).

The subject application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.C (3), and as further specified for the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104 F (2), the above described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this pool.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Santa Fe
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Attention: Donald R. Lankford
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-B

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606040757*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for exceptions to Division Rule 104.C (3) and the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 203 (API No. 30-007-20712) to be drilled at an unorthodox (coal) gas well location 2082 feet from the South line and 1645 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 3, Township 29 North, Range 18 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico. This unorthodox well location is necessary for topographic reasons.

The SW/4 of Section 3 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Undesignated Van Bremmer Canyon-Vermejo (Coal) Gas Pool (97047).

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 1210.A (2) [formerly Division Rule 1207.A (2), see Division Order No. R-12327-A, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 13482 on September 15, 2005], and as further specified within the special provisions for the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104 F (2), the above described unorthodox (coal) gas well location is hereby approved.

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Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this pool.

Sincerely,


Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.
Director

MEF/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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U. S. Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico State Office – Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-C

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606045267*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for exceptions to Division Rule 104.C (3) and the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 211 (**API No. 30-007-20714**) to be drilled at an unorthodox (coal) gas well location 1470 feet from the South line and 196 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 30, Township 30 North, Range 18 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico. This unorthodox well location is necessary for topographic reasons.

The SE/4 of Section 30 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 1210.A (2) [formerly Division Rule 1207.A (2), see Division Order No. R-12327-A, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 13482 on September 15, 2005], and as further specified within the special provisions for the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251.

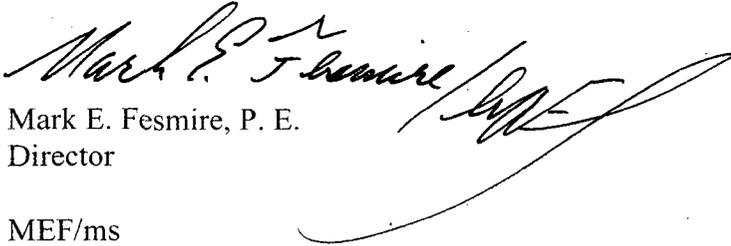
By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104 F (2), the above described unorthodox (coal) gas well location is hereby approved.

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Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,



Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.
Director

MEF/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-D

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606045638*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for exceptions to Division Rule 104.C (3) and the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 218 (**API No. 30-007-20717**) to be drilled at an unorthodox (coal) gas well location 643 feet from the North line and 1048 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 22, Township 30 North, Range 17 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico. This unorthodox well location is necessary for topographic reasons.

The NE/4 of Section 22 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 1210.A (2) [formerly Division Rule 1207.A (2), see Division Order No. R-12327-A, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 13482 on September 15, 2005], and as further specified within the special provisions for the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104 F (2), the above described unorthodox (coal) gas well location is hereby approved.

El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.

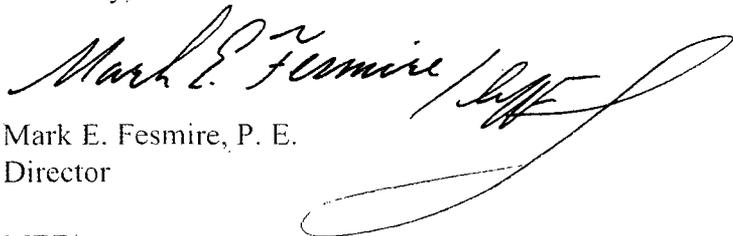
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Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark E. Fesmire" followed by a stylized flourish.

Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.
Director

MEF/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-E

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMESO-606045981*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for an exception to the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 219 (**API No. 30-007-20718**) to be drilled at a location 778 feet from the North line and 1063 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 22, Township 30 North, Range 17 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico.

This well location, chosen for topographic reasons, is only 339 feet from the southwestern (metes and bounds) boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease; however, is considered "standard" under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (3).

The NW/4 of Section 22, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation, and is subject to a compensatory royalty agreement, is to be dedicated to this well.

The location of El Paso's above-described Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 219 is hereby approved. Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner,
Engineering Assistant to the Division Director

MES/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-F

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606046386*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for an exception to the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 217 (**API No. 30-007-20716**) to be drilled at a location 799 feet from the North line and 1218 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 23, Township 30 North, Range 17 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico.

This well location, chosen for topographic reasons, is only 339 feet from the southwestern (metes and bounds) boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease; however, is considered "standard" under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (3).

The NW/4 of Section 23, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation, and is subject to a compensatory royalty agreement, is to be dedicated to this well.

The location of El Paso's above-described Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 217 is hereby approved. Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner,
Engineering Assistant to the Division Director

MES/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-G

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606046666*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for an exception to the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 215 (**API No. 30-007-20715**) to be drilled at a location 1410 feet from the South line and 1890 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 24, Township 30 North, Range 17 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico.

This well location, chosen for topographic reasons, is only 385 feet from the southwestern (metes and bounds) boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease; however, is considered "standard" under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (3).

The SW/4 of Section 24, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation, and is subject to a compensatory royalty agreement, is to be dedicated to this well.

The location of El Paso's above-described Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 215 is hereby approved. Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner,
Engineering Assistant to the Division Director

MES/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-H

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-606046965*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for an exception to the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 209 (API No. 30-007-20713) to be drilled at a location 863 feet from the North line and 1716 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 18 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico.

This well location, chosen for topographic reasons, is 625 feet from the southwestern (metes and bounds) boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease; however, is considered "standard" under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (3).

The NW/4 of Section 32, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Vermejo formation, and is subject to a compensatory royalty agreement, is to be dedicated to this well.

The location of El Paso's above-described Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 209 is hereby approved. Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this formation/pool.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner,
Engineering Assistant to the Division Director

MES/ms

cc: Roy Johnson, Supervisor District IV- New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Santa Fe
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Administrative Order NSL-4251-I

Dear Mr. Lankford:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application (*administrative application reference No. pMESO-606047247*) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 15, 2006; and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe, including the file in Division Administrative Order NSL-4251: all concerning El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C.'s ("El Paso") request for an exception to the special provisions of Division Administrative Order NSL-4251, dated April 5, 1999, limiting the distance of wells to the outer boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease in Colfax County, New Mexico [see Ordering Paragraph No. (2) on page 3 of said Administrative Order], for its proposed Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 201 (API No. 30-007-20711) to be drilled at a location 1872 feet from the North line and 844 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 10, Township 29 North, Range 18 East, as projected into the (publicly unsurveyed) Maxwell Land Grant by private survey conducted by PennzEnergy Company, Colfax County, New Mexico.

This well location, chosen for topographic reasons, is 573 feet from the southwestern (metes and bounds) boundary of the Vermejo Park Ranch lease; however, is considered "standard" under the provisions of Division Rule 104.C (3).

The NE/4 of Section 10, being a standard 160-acre gas spacing unit within the Undesignated Van Bremmer Canyon-Vermejo (Coal) Gas Pool (97047), and is subject to a compensatory royalty agreement, is to be dedicated to this well.

The location of El Paso's above-described Vermejo Park Ranch "B" Well No. 201 is hereby approved. Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to this pool.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner,
Engineering Assistant to the Division Director

MES/ms

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