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September 9, 1999

#### **CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

### TO: NOTICE OF THE HEARING OF THE FOLLOWING NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CASE:

### Re: Application of Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company for a non-standard proration and spacing unit and unorthodox well location, San Juan County, New Mexico.

On behalf of Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company, please find enclosed our a copy of its referenced application which seeks approval of a nonstandard unit and unorthodox well location for its McDaniel #1R well to be located 1150 feet FSL and 1235 feet FWL, Section 17, T29N, R11W, San Juan County, New Mexico. This case has been set for hearing on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Examiner's docket now scheduled for October 7, 1999. The hearing will be held at the Division hearing room located at 2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

As party who may be affected by this application, we are notifying you of your right to appear at the hearing and participate in this case, including the right to present evidence either in support of or in opposition to the application. Failure to appear at the hearing may preclude you from any involvement in this case at a later date.

Pursuant to the Division's Memorandum 2-90, you are further notified that if you desire to appear in this case, then you are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division not later than 4:00 PM on Friday, October 1, 1999, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Very truly yours, Thomas Kellahin



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Mr. Michael Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: McDaniel #1R 1150'FSL, 1235'FWL Section 17, T-29-N, R-11-W, San Juan County 30-045-not assigned

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Burlington Resources is applying for administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location for the Fulcher Kutz Pictured Cliffs pool. This application for the referenced location is because there is a housing subdivision which covers most of the legal windows, and a large sand wash which runs through the center of those windows. The proposed location also utilizes part of an existing pad for the McDaniel B #1 (30-045-08232) located at 1080'FSL, 1185'FWL in Section 17.

Production from the Pictured Cliffs pool is to be included in a 160 acre gas spacing and proration unit for the SWSW/4 of Section 17, the SESE/4 of Section 18, the NENE/4 of Section 19, and the NWNW/4 of Section 20 as established under Order R-666 (attached).

The following attachments are for your review:

- Application for Permit to Drill.
- Completed C-102 at referenced location.
- Offset operators/owners plat Burlington is the offset operator
- 7.5 minute topographic map

We appreciate your earliest consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

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Peggy Bradfield Regulatory/Compliance Administrator

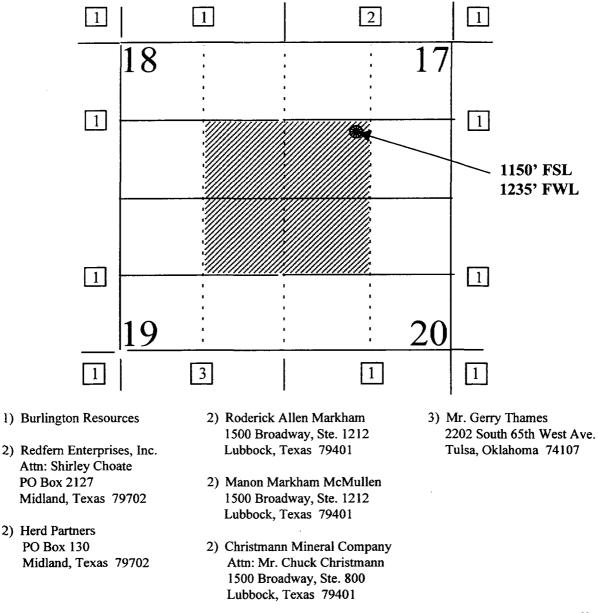
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## BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL AND GAS COMPANY

McDaniel #1R OFFSET OPERATOR / OWNER PLAT Nonstandard Location

**Pictured Cliffs Formation Well** 

Township 29 North, Range 11 West





# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

September 2, 1999

Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company c/o W. Thomas Kellahin P. O. Box 2265 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

> Re: Application for administrative approval for Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company's proposed McDaniel Well No.1-R to be drilled at an unorthodox gas well location in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool 1150' FSL & 1235' FWL (Unit M) of Section 17, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Kellahin:

Per our meeting today, I am setting this application to hearing since the issues involved do not allow this application to be processed administratively. The 160-acre unit that Burlington is proposing to dedicate to this well [the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 17, the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 18, the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 19, and the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, all in Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico] crosses section lines. Further, the old Order No. R-666 that formed a non-standard 160-acre unit with this same acreage for the McDaniel Well No. 1, located 230 feet from the North line and 280 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 19 ceased to exist when this well was plugged and abandoned in 1984. It also appears that notice in this matter was inadequate since no reference was made to the ownership of the N/2 NW/4 and SE/4 NE/4 of Section 17.

The earliest scheduled hearing that this matter can be docketed on will be for the October 7<sup>th</sup> hearing.

Sincerely

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

- cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Aztec U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Farmington Ms. Peggy Bradfield, Burlington – Farmington
  - Kathy Valdes, NMOCD Santa Fe

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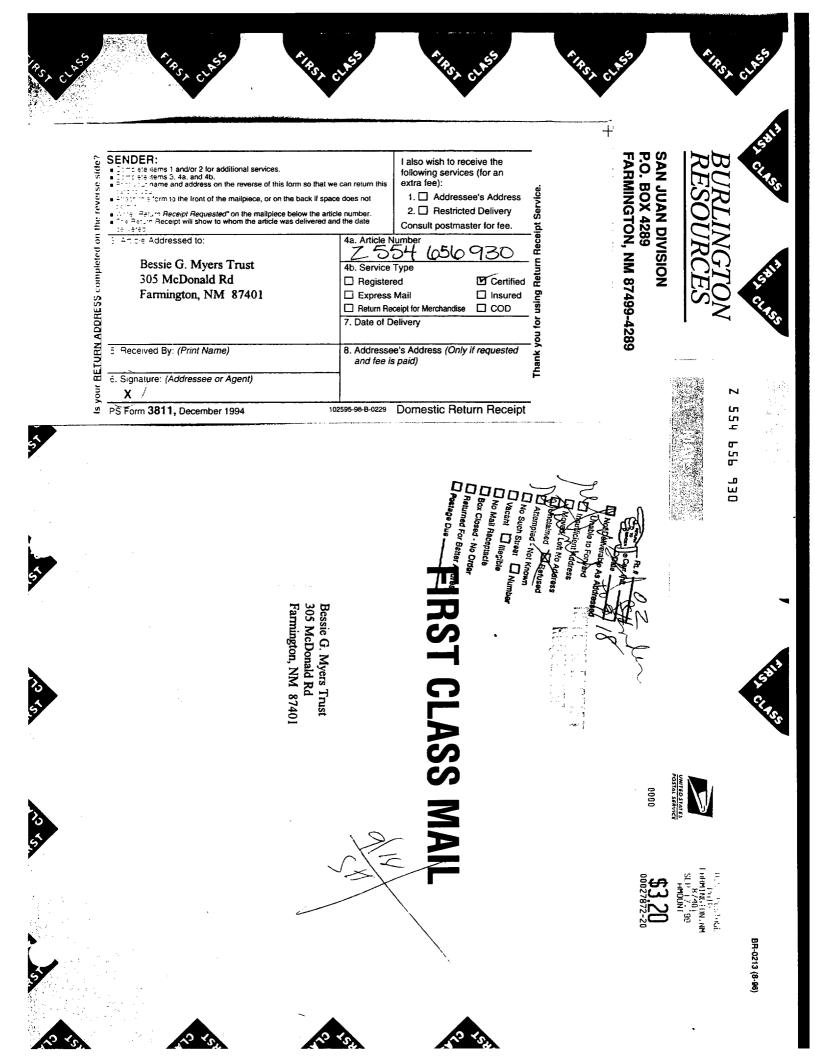
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Date: September 23, 1999

- To: Mr. Gerry Thames 2202 S. 65<sup>th</sup> W. Ave Tulsa, OK 74107 Phone 918 445-3738 Fax 918 445-3744
- From: Shannon Nichols Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company Phone 505 599-4010 Fax 505 326-9781
- Re: McDaniel 1R NSL/NSP Application for NMOCD Hearing Offset Working Interest Notification

Mr. Thames — on September 23 you advised us that you are the successor owner to the interest previously owned by Johney M. Myers and Bossie G. Myers as Trustees Under Trust Agreement dated August 21, 1979. You are being noticed of Burlington's application as an offset working interest owner. According to our title information the aforementioned mentioned trust owned interest in T29N, R11W, Section 19: SE/4 NE/4, NE/4 SE/4, Lots 6 & 7. As you requested, I have also enclosed a map of proposed area we are planning to drill in.

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Please call if you have any questions.

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Re: McDaniel 1R Offset Working Interest Notification

September 30, 1999

Mr. Nichols:

After reviewing the information you furnished, it is my understanding that the proposed drilling location is 1100 to 1200 feet from my interest. I do not object to the non-standard unit and unorthodox well location for the McDaniel #1R well.

I would in turn expect Burlington Resources not to oppose my non-standard application when I re-drill my acreage.

Please call if there are questions.

Regards Hames

Gerry Thames