

VIA FAX - 505-476-3462

MURCHISON OIL & GAS, INC.
MURCHISON PROPERTIES, INC.

December 4, 2003

Mr. Michael Stogner Chief Hearing Examiner State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. Saint Francis Santa Fe. NM. 87505

(30-015-32548

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OCD-ARTESIA

RE: REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF A NON-STANDARD LOCATION

Dear Mr. Stogner:

The Nash Unit #53 is located in the Nash Unit which is a Federal and State approved unit consisting of 8 sections. A map of the unit is attached. The Nash Unit #53 was drilled directionally from a drilling pad to avoid active potash mines, playa lakes, and archeological sites. The down hole location was proposed to be 1980' FNL & 660' FEL of Sec. 12 (Form C-102 is attached). The actual bottom hole location of the well based on directional surveys is 2056' FNL & 692' FEL. The well is perforated from 13,690' to 13,977' (measured depth). The bottom hole location of the top perforation is 2100' FNL & 812' FEL and the bottom perforation is 2073' FNL & 736' FEL.

The well missed the proposed bottom hole location by approximately 82' and it is not within the spacing requirement of NMOCD Rule 104. The well is producing 600 MCFD and 34 BBL of water per day. It appears that the water production is declining, but slowly and we are concerned that shutting-in the well may cause irreparable damage. We are seeking administrative approval of a non-standard location for this well.

We believe the following circumstances offer support for our request. The bottom hole location of the well and perforations are over a mile from the nearest unit boundary. The bottom hole location of this well is within the tolerance of a bottom hole location of a straight hole drilled at a surface location of 1980' FNL & 660' FEL under normal operations.

This well required a complicated drilling procedure and the deviation in bottom hole and perforation location was unintentional on our part. If you need more data or wish to meet with me to discuss any technical issues, please let us know as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

MURCHISON OIL & GAS/INC.

Michael S. Daugherty

Vice President Operations

MSD/ct/NashUnit#53-Non-StndLoc

Encl.

cc: Mr. Bryan Arrant – Artesia Mr. Tim Gum - Artesia



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Oil Conservation Division

December 2, 2003

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Murchison Oil & Gas, Inc. 1100 Mira Vista Blvd. Plano, TX 75093-4698 OCD-ARTESIA

Attn: Mr. Michael S. Daugherty

RE:

Murchison Oil & Gas, Inc.'s gas well completion of the

Nash Unit # 53, located in Section 12 of Township 23 South,

Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Bottom Hole Location: 2056' FNL & 692' FEL

API # 30-015-32548

Dear Mr. Daugherty,

In reference to the above directionally well, the top and bottom producing intervals of the Morrow formation as well as the bottom hole location is non-standard according to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Rule 104 for deep gas wells in southeast New Mexico. I cannot find a non-standard location approval for this well allowing for Morrow gas production. Until such an approval is issued, this well will need to be shut-in. Please refer to NMOCD's Rule 104 C. (2) for further clarification or please give me a call to discuss this matter further.

Yours truly,

Bryan G. Arrant PES

Cc:

Michael Stogner, Chief Hearing Examiner-Santa Fe

Tim Gum, District Supervisor-Artesia

# OPERATOR'S COPY

Form 3160-3 (September 2001)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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FORM APPROVED OMB No. 1004-0136 Expires January 31, 2004

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5. Lease Serial No. NM 14140 BAL

NM 0556859-A SHL

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRI	LL OR REENTECD-ART	ESIA	G. If Indian, Allottee or Tri	be Name	
la. Type of Work: DRILL REENTER			7. If Unit or CA Agreement	, Name and No.	
			NASH UNIT		
1b. Type of Well: Oil Well Gas Well Other	Single Zone Multip	ole Zone	8. Lease Name and Well No NASH UNIT #53	•	
2. Name of Operator			9. API Well No.		
MURCHISON OIL & GAS, INC					
	3b. Phone No. (include area code)		10. Field and Pool, or Explo	ratory	
1100 MIRA VISTA BLVD., PLANO, TX. 75093-4698	(972) 931-0700		NASH DRAW		
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with an	ny State requirements. *)		11. Sec., T., R., M., or Blk.	and Survey or Area	
At surface 1663' FSL & 2185' FWL					
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14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office*			12. County or Parish	13. State	
17 MILES SOUTHEAST OF CARLSBAD			EDDY	NM.	
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft.	16. No. of Acres in lease	17. Spacin	g Unit dedicated to this well		
(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 660' BHL	320		320 N/2		
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.	19. Proposed Depth	20. BLM/E	BIA Bond No. on file		
2965' BHL	14000 TVD	<u> </u>	ROTARY		
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.)	22. Approximate date work will st	tart*	23. Estimated duration		
2986' GL	9/1/02		70 DAYS		
	24. Attachments C	arisbad (	Controlled Water Bas	រិត្	
The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshor	e Oil and Gas Order No.1, shall be at	tached to this	s form:		
<ol> <li>Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.</li> <li>A Drilling Plan.</li> <li>A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System I SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).</li> </ol>	Item 20 above).  S. Operator certific	ation. specific info	s unless covered by an existi	•	
25. Signaturo Michell / augunt	Name (Printed/Typed) MICHAEL S. DAUG	HERTY_	Date	6/21/02	
Title  VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS			·	•	
Approved by Signalivre)	Name (Printed/Typed)	1/1.	Date 1	1/29/12	

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Office

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

APPROVAL FOR 1 YEAR

NM STATE OFFICE

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

\*(Instructions on reverse)

Title

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS ATTACHED 1980, Hobbe, NX 88241-1980

#### State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised February 10, 1994 Submit to Appropriate District Office

State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

DISTRICT II. P.O. Drawer DD, Artesis, NM 86211-0719

1000 Rio Braxos Rd., Axtec, NM 87410

P.O. DOX 2006, SANTA FE. N.M. 87504-2008

DISTRICT III

DISTRICT IV

#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

P.O. Box 2088

Santa Fc. New Mexico 87504-2088

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#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	Pool Code	Pool 1	lame
Property Code	•	erty Name H UNIT	Well Number 53
OGRID No. 015363		ator Name DIL & GAS INC.	Elevation 2986'

#### Surface Location

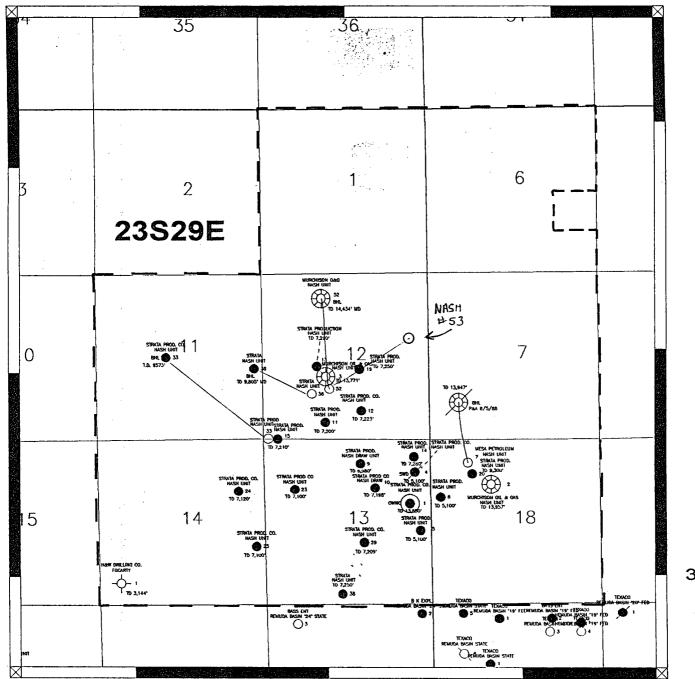
Ţ	UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
	K	12	23~S	29-E		1663'	SOUTH	2185'	WEST	EDDY

#### Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Fact from the	North/South line	Feet from the	Enst/West line	County
н	12	23-S	29-E	·	1980'	NORTH	660 <b>'</b>	EAST	EDDY
Dedicated Acres	Joint o	r Infill	Consolidation (	odc Or	der No.				
320	}								

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	OPERATOR CERTIFICATION
	1) hereby certify the the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belter.
	BHL   MICHAEL S. DAUGHERTY
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	SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
SURFACE LOCATION ) , 2934 DISPL	ACEMENT  ACEMENT  ACEMENT  ACEMENT  ACEMENT  Correct to the best of my belief.
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	CENTICAL NO. RONALD FEDSON 3230 GARY EMBON 12841

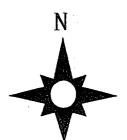


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### NASH UNIT OUTLINE



## PARTICIPATING AREA



Scale 1:36000.

1000. 0. 1000. 2000. 3000. 4000, 5000. feet

0.1 0. 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 miles

MURC	HISON OIL & GA	S, INC.
	NASH UNIT EDDY CO., NM UNIT OUTLINE	
DIANA HUNTINGTON		3/19/2009
	Scale 1:36000	