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Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company
P. O. Box 4289
Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289
Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-3876-A

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application dated February 16, 1998 requesting the amendment of a previously approved order by the Division of an unorthodox Blanco-Mesaverde gas well location by expanding the vertical limits of the provisions in said order to include the deeper Basin-Dakota Pool.

Division Administrative Order NSL-3876, dated September 23, 1997, authorized Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company to drill its San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 40-A at an unorthodox infill gas well location in the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool 1930 feet from the North line and 910 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 12, Township 30 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, within an existing standard 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the W/2 equivalent of said Section 12.

It is our understanding that Burlington now intends to drill to the Basin-Dakota Pool and dually complete said well, and, pursuant to Rule 2(b)1 of the "General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, said location is also considered to be unorthodox. The W/2 equivalent of said Section 12 is also to be dedicated to said well in order to form a standard 320-acre, more or less, gas spacing and proration unit in the Basin-Dakota Pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2(d) of said special pool rules for the Basin-Dakota Pool the above-described unorthodox gas well location for the San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 40-A is hereby approved.

All provisions of said Administrative Order NSL-3876 shall remain in full force and effect until further notice.

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

Sincerely,


Lori Wrotenberg
Director

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