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March 14, 2000

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Mr. Michael Stogner, Chief Hearing Officer 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Request for Non-Standard Location Rosa Unit #500 990' FNL, 970' FWL Section 23(D)-T31N-R4W Rio Arriba, NM Basin Fruitland Coal



Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to the request of the Carson National Forest Service, Jicarilla Ranger District, Williams Production Company (WPX) respectfully requests administrative approval of a non-standard location for the above location.

Attached is a copy of the Forest Service letter requesting the utilization of an existing well bore for a Fruitland Coal well in the western half of Sec. 23-T31N-R4W. WPX supports the Forest Service's request for several reasons.

The attached topographical map shows the difficult terrain in the SW quarter. Although the topography is not so extreme as to rule out all possible locations, Carson Forest and WPX would prefer to utilize the existing road and location. Additionally, rugged terrain necessitated drilling a coal well in the SE quarter of Sec. 22 and WPX would like to distance the Rosa Unit #500 from the existing Rosa Unit #305.

Also attached is a plat showing the proposed spacing unit along with a drawing outlining the drill blocks in this section. Williams is the only offset operator for this location, so no notification of offset operators would be necessary.

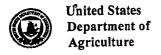
Thank you for your consideration of this application. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (918) 573-3913.

Sincerely

Lance A. Hobbs

Production and Drilling Engineer

CC: BLM - Farmington NMOCD - Aztec



Forest Service Southwestern Region 3 Carson National Forest Jicarilla Ranger District

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File Code: 2820 Date: 2/23/2000

Lance Hobbs Williams Production Company One Williams Center, POB 3102 Tulsa, OK 74101

RE: Unorthodox location for well: Rosa #500, recompletion to Fruitland coal

Dear Mr. Hobbs,

The Jicarilla Ranger District, Carson National Forest is requesting you apply for an unorthodox location as follows, as discussed by your company representative and Camela Hooley of this office:

Rosa #500, T31N R4W Sec.23, 900'FNL/970'FWL

The mineral operator is required to comply with other applicable regulations such as the Endangered Species Act and the Archeological Resources Protection Act under 36CFR228.112(c). The operator is also required under 36CFR228.108(c) to minimize or prevent damage to surface resources. The Carson National Forest Management Plan states that surface resource impacts will be minimized when administering mineral resources.

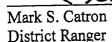
The following conditions apply which require an unorthodox location:

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Topography prevents locating the well in an orthodox location.

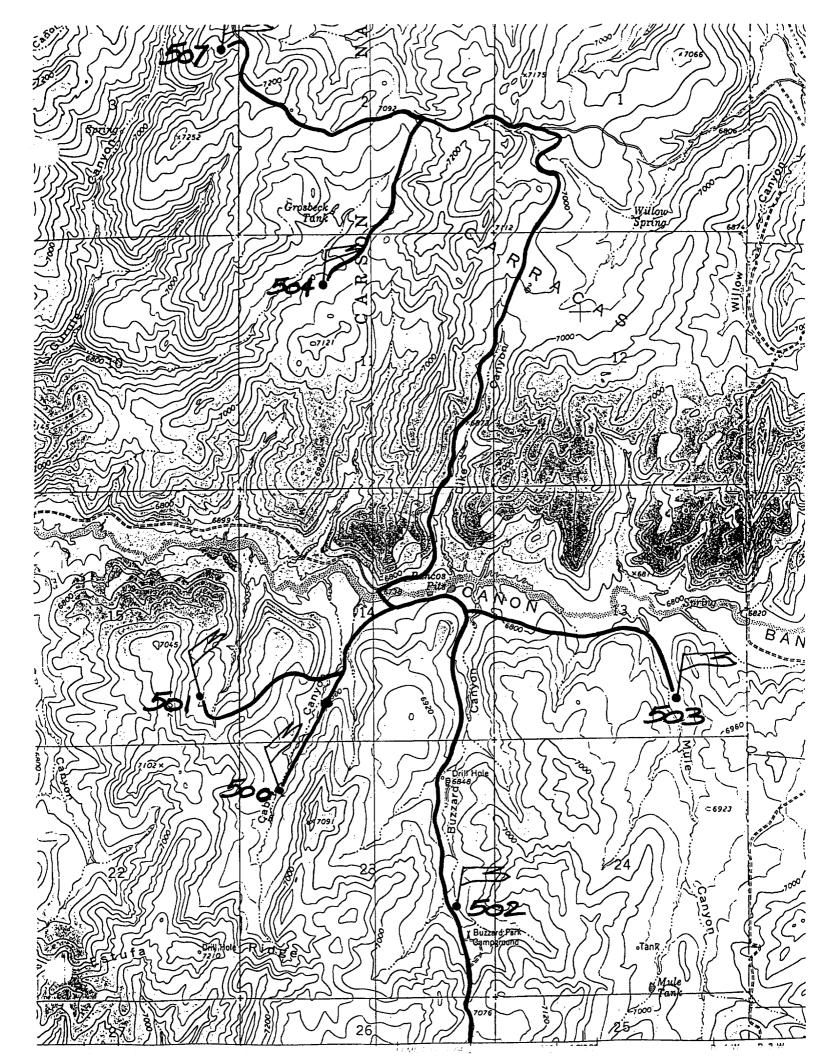
X Prevention of unneccesary resource damage requires the location be unorthodox. Rather than abandoning the existing Rosa #500 (Mesa Verde), and then building another pad in the SW quarter, where terrain is more diffucilt, the Forest Service requests that you recomplete the existing well to the Fruitland coal.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.





Threatened/endangered species concerns prevent locating the well in an orthodox



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AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	*Pool Code	Pool Name	Pool Name		
30-039-26165	71629	Basin Fruitland Coal			
'Property Code	•	cy rioma	Number 00		
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED

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			Lance Hobbs Printed Name Drilling & Production Enginee Title
5280.00'	23		March 14, 2000 Date **SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
328			I hereby cartify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field motes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.
·		,	MARCH 31 1999 Date of Surge C. EDW
			Date of Survey EDN Signature and Seal of Professional Survey EX (6857)
	5283.96'		Certificate Number 6857

Rosa Unit #500 NW/4 NW/4 Sec. 23 31N 04W 990' FNL 970' FWL

