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Attention: Peggy Bradfield

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Administrative Order NSL-2709-A/NSL-2532-A

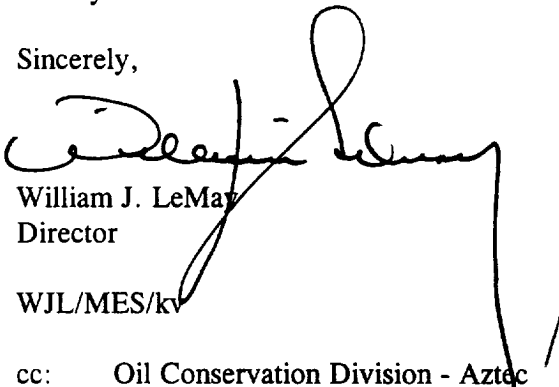
Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to: (i) your application dated March 25, 1997; (ii) the Division's records on Division Administrative Order NSL-2709; and, (iii) the Division's records on Division Administrative Order NSL-2532: all of which concern the unorthodox location of the Payne Well No. 3E (API No. 30-045-27543), located 2155 feet from the North line and 355 feet from the East line (Lot 5/Unit H) of Section 20, Township 32 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. Said well to have dedicated to it the area comprising Lots 1 through 5, the N/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of said Section 20, being a standard 316.35-acre gas spacing and proration unit in both the Basin-Dakota and Blanco-Mesaverde Pools.

By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2(c) of "*General Rules For The Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations For The Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations For The Basin-Dakota Pool*", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, the above-described well located at an unorthodox gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools is hereby approved.

All provisions of said Division Administrative Orders NSL-2709 and NSL-2532 shall be placed in abeyance until further notice.

Sincerely,


William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
File: NSL-2709
NSL-2532