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the same as it has in the past with regard to unorthodox locations.

We have two cases in point with regard to unorthodox locations. The first is the application of Dr. Dunn regarding the drilling of a well in the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 26, Township 26 North, Range 1 East. Dr. Dunn has proposed a location which would crowd the west line of this tract, and accordingly would crowd our land adjoining his to the west. The application indicates the location is unorthodox because of terrain. We have not inspected the tract on the ground, but we would judge, from our geologic and topographie maps of the area, that the location is selected on the west side of the unit primarily because of geology and not topography. It appears that the east part of the unit would be more readily accessible than the west. We believe this, however, to be Dr. Dunn's prerogative, and that he should be allowed to drill on the west side of the unit if he so elects, and we would not object to his selecting the west side of the unit for geological reasons and then crowding our line because of topography in this part of the spacing unit. We do, however, object to his drilling more than one well on this 160-acre tract, as it is contrary to Order R-2565. constitutes our objection, and we would like for it to be clearly understood that we do not object to his selecting the west side of the unit as the logical place to drill, and then by terrain being required to crowd our line.

The second case in point is the Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp. F-6 Puerto Chiquito Unit, located in the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 6, Township 26 North, Range 1 East. In this part of the pool, where lease conditions permitted, all of the wells Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp. has spudded have been located on the southeast 40-acre tract of each 160-acre unit. Although the regulations do not require the location of wells on exact spots within a quarter-section, we have attempted to maintain such a pattern, to promote orderly development. One of the reasons we selected the east side of the spacing unit is to save the drilling of an additional three or four hundred feet to reach the pay zone. The F-6 could not be drilled at the standard location within the southeast 40-acre tract of its unit because of terrain. Accordingly we obtained approval of the owners

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