Cross Timbers Oil Company

January 19, 2000

CERTIFIED MAIL:

Michael E. Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505



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2/10/00

RE: Request for Administrative Approval of an Unorthodox Location Cross Timbers Operating Company's R.B. Sullivan #1R Well 1,400' FNL and 2,500' FEL (SW/4 NE/4) Unit G, Section 11-T27N-R10W San Juan, New Mexico Fulcher Kutz Pictured Cliffs

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Cross Timbers Operating Company hereby request administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location for the above referenced well. Attached for your reference are the following exhibits:

- 1. Well Location plat (NMOCD Form C-102).
- 2. Topographic Map.
- 3. Ownership Map with Offset Operators for the Pictured Cliffs formation.
- 4. Geologic discussion.
- 5. EUR Isopach Map of the Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs Production
- 6. EUR Isopach Map of the Pictured Cliffs Sandstone.

For geological and topographic reasons, the optimal placement of a Pictured Cliffs well in the NE/4 spacing unit is the above requested location. Our objective in placement at this location is to drill as far as possible from the radius of any pre-existing or currently producing Pictured Cliffs wells, while at the same time maintaining maximum pay thickness and reservoir quality to justify the drilling of the well. Pool rules state that a well will be no closer than 660' to the outer boundary of the well unit and 10' to a quarter-quarter section line. Surface topography to the west and southwest of the R.B. Sullivan #1 well severely limit the option on placement of the well. To drill the well as a deviated hole would be cost prohibitive. The requested location provides the best location for the protection of waste and correlative rights.

Please note that the EUR Isopach maps provided show the original operator of the well drilled and do not necessarily represent the current operator.

By certified mail, a copy of this application and request for administrative approval has been sent to all Pictured Cliffs offsetting operators.

We look forward to your approval and should you have any questions, please contact me at (817) 885-2454.

Sincerely, CROSS TIMBERS OPERATING COMPANY

A.L. George A. Cox, CPL

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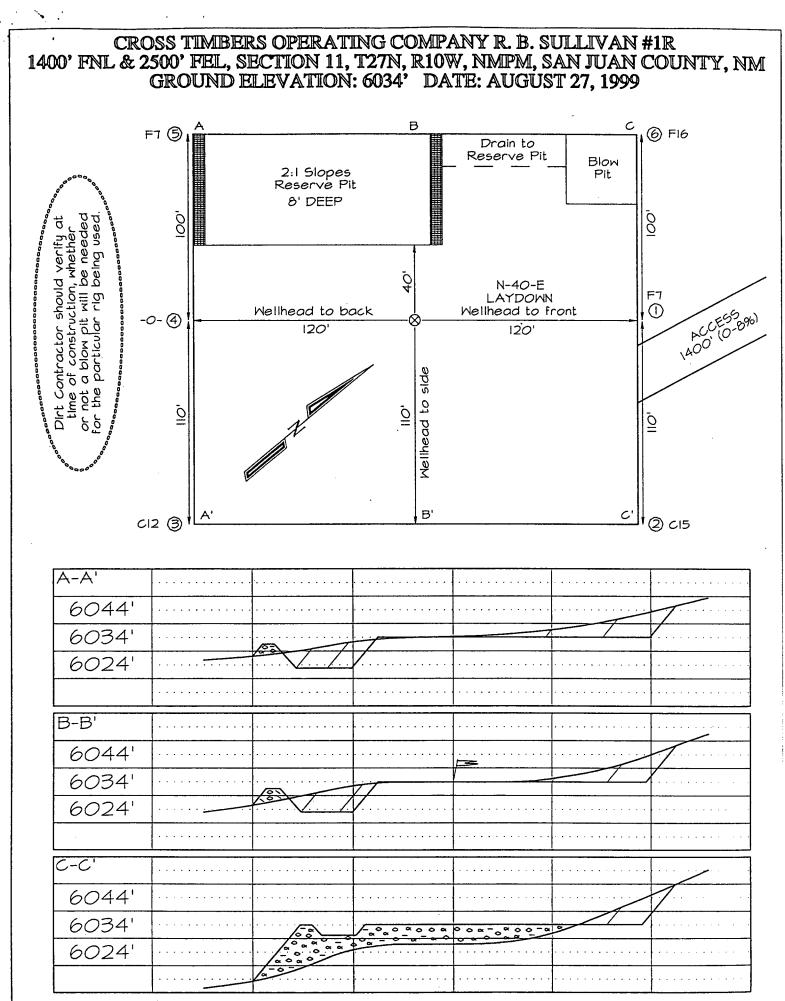
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OFFSET OPERATORS/OWNERS R. B. SULLIVAN #1R WELL

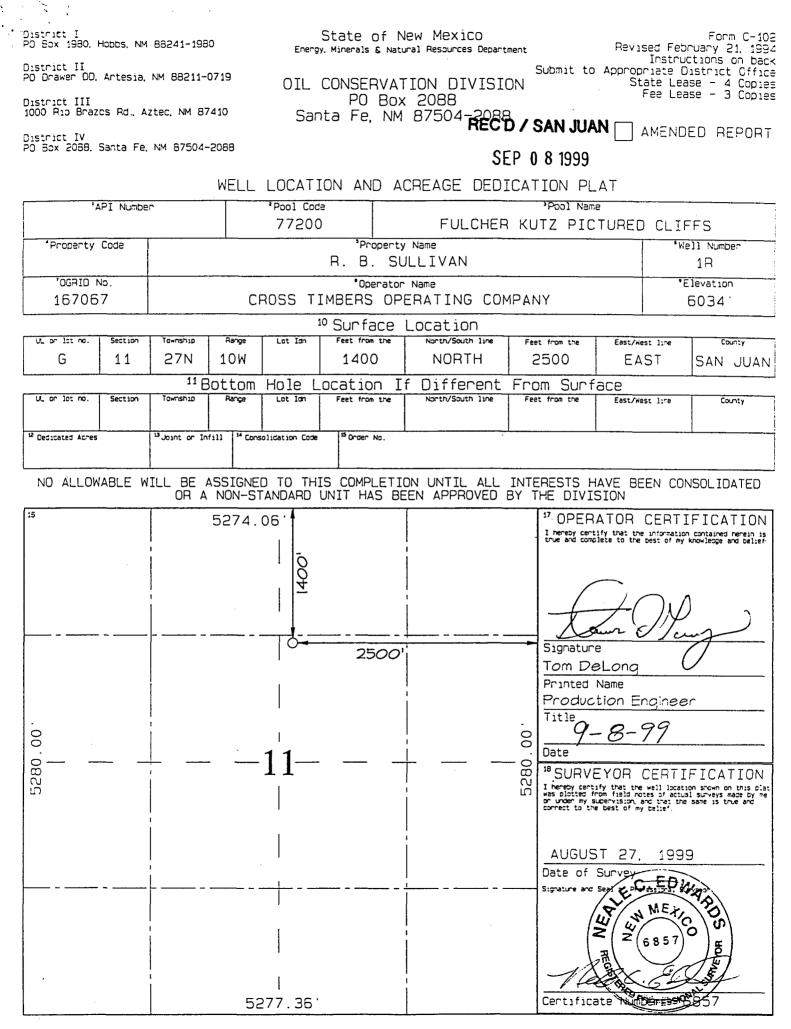
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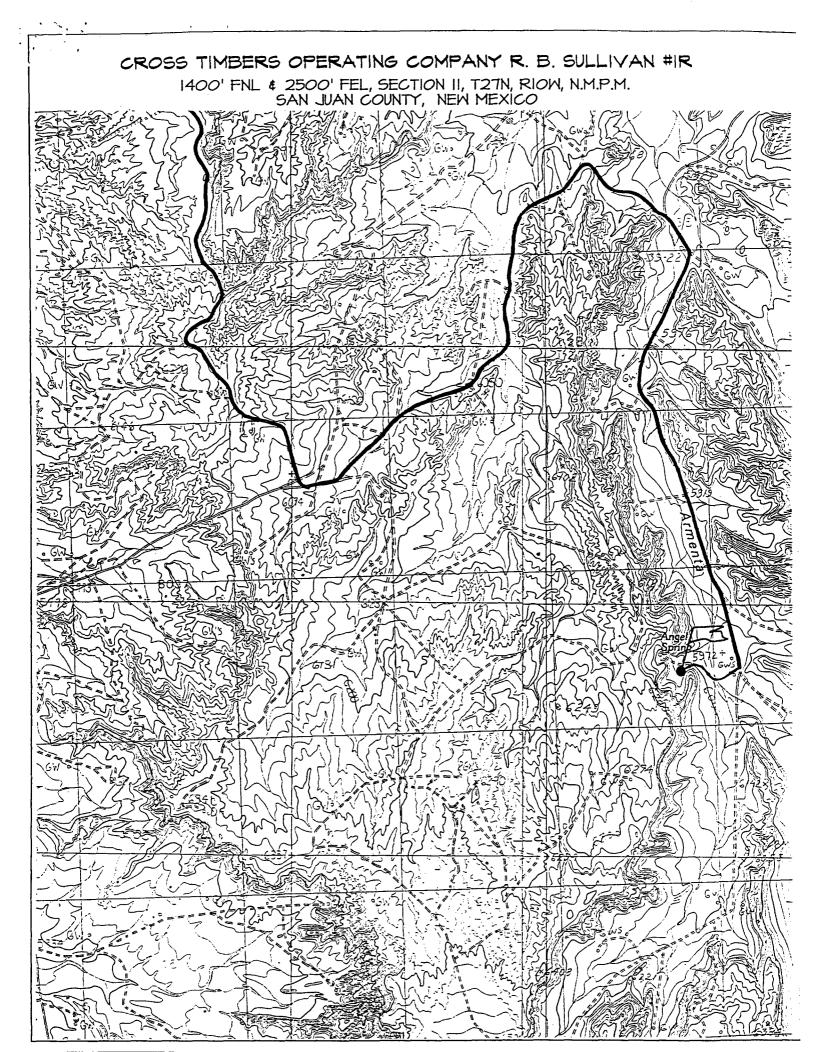
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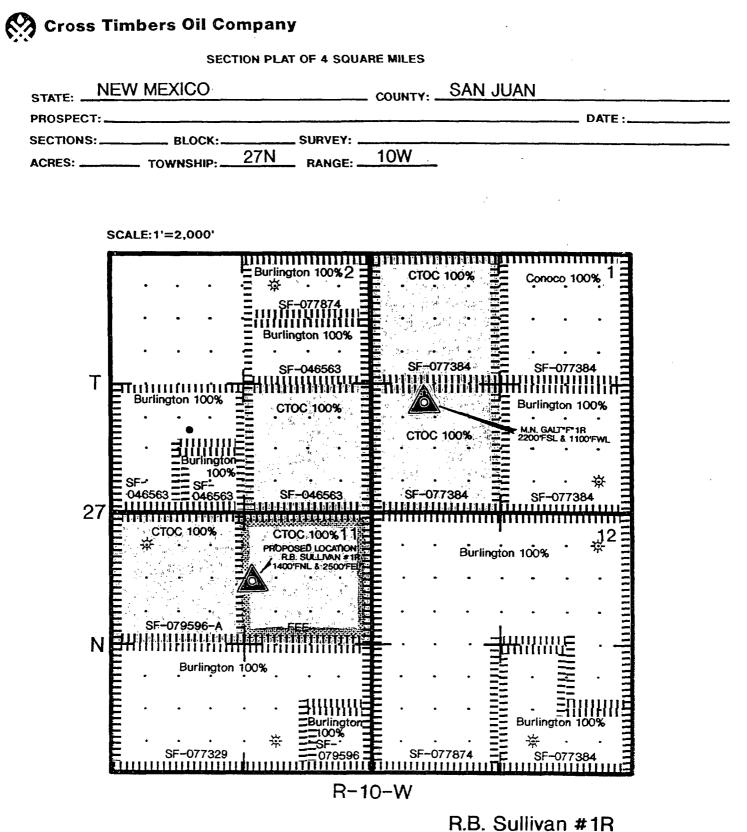
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Note: Contractor should call One-Call for location of any marked or unmarked buried pipelines or cables on wellpad and/or access road at least two (2) working days prior to construction.







R.B. Sullivan #1R NE/4 Sec.11-27N - 10W Ownership Map for Pictured Cliffs Formations

R.B. Sullivan #1R 1400' FNL, 2500' FEL Section 11-T27N-R10W San Juan County, New Mexico

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GEOLOGIC SUMMARY

The Cross Timbers R.B. Sullivan #1R is a proposed 2130' Pictured Cliffs test designed to be a redrill of the R.B. Sullivan #1 which produced approximately 2274 MMCFG from 12/50 through 8/95. The proposed location is approximately 950' WNW of the R.B. Sullivan #1 and 1850' ESE of the Cross Timbers R.B. Sullivan #2 in the NW¹/4, section 11, which has produced 3696 MMCFG from 12/50 through 9/98 and is producing approximately 82 MCFD as of 7/99. The nearest Pictured Cliffs well operated by a company other than Cross Timbers is the Burlington C.M. Morris #3 in the SE¹/4, section 11, 3000 ft. from the proposed location. The requested unorthodox location will be moving towards a spacing unit (NW¹/4) in which Cross Timbers owns and operates the rights to the Pictured Cliffs Ss.

Cross Timbers' objective in the placement of the well is to drill as far as possible from the radius of influence of any pre-existing or currently producing Pictured Cliffs wells, while at the same time maintaining maximum pay thickness and reservoir quality to justify the drilling of the well.

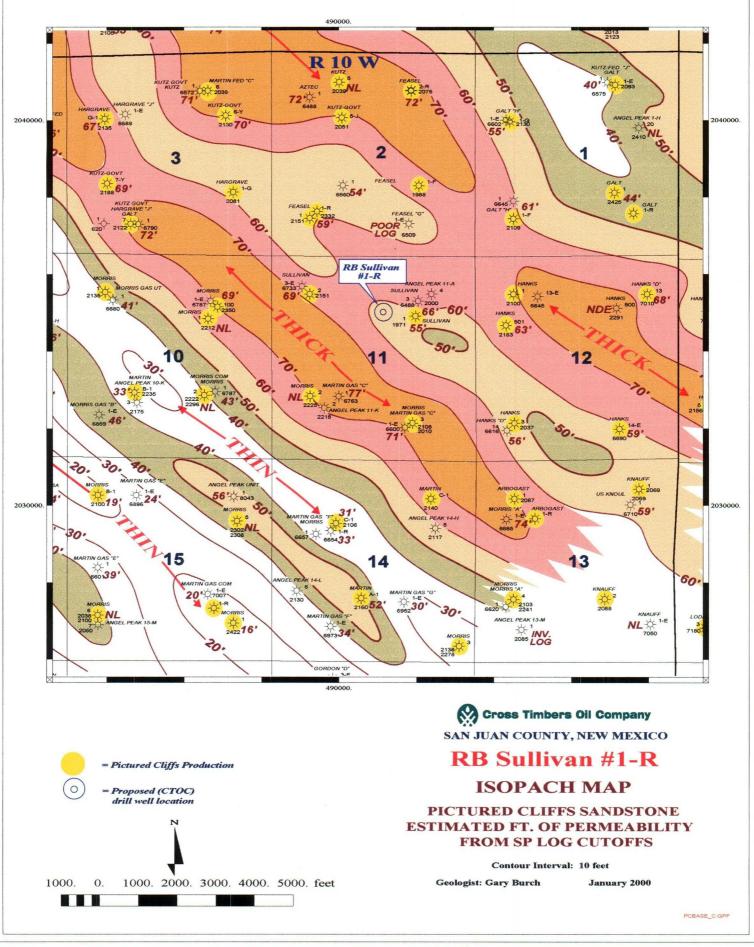
The Pictured Cliffs Sandstone was deposited as NW-SE trending marine coastal barrier sands oriented parallel to the Late Cretaceous shoreline. Sand deposition gradually shifted northeastward as the shoreline regressed. Periodic stillstands resulted in thicker and cleaner sand buildups, which directly correlate to NW-SE trends of prolific gas production.

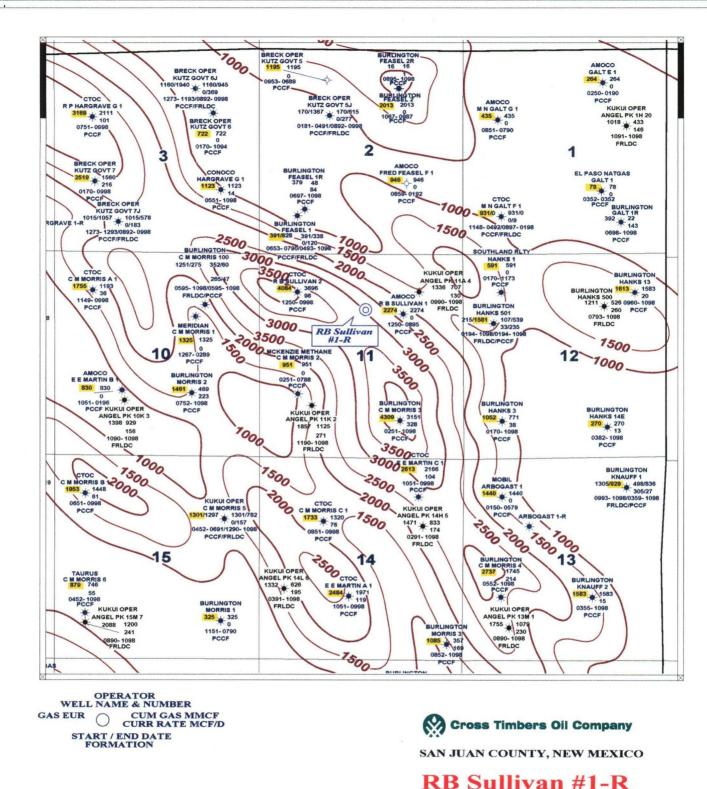
Approximately 60 ft. of pay based on SP log cutoffs is expected at the proposed location. By moving west or south from the original R.B. Sullivan #1 well, thicker and better quality reservoir rock can be accessed, as evidenced by the 4+ BCF ultimate recovery projections for the west and south offsets (see EUR isopach map). This will allow the proposed well to most efficiently drain the remaining reserves underlying the NE¹/₄ spacing unit.

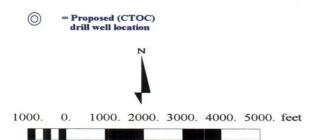
Surface topography to the west and southwest of the R.B. Sullivan #1 severely limits the options on the placement of the well. The surface location of 1400' FNL and 2500' FEL best meets the requirements of both geology and drilling. Therefore, an unorthodox location is necessary for the drilling of this well.



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EUR ISOPACH MAP

FRUITLAND COAL and PICTURED CLIFFS PRODUCTION

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Geologist: Gary Burch

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