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BIYA Operators, Inc. c/o Mike Pippin 3104 N. Sullivan Ave. Farmington, NM 87401

Administrative Order NSL-6320-A Administrative Order NSP-1948-A

This order amends Administrative Order NSL-6320/NSP1948, issued on January 25, 2011, which is superseded herby in its entirety.

Re: Horseshoe Gallup Unit Well No. 400 API No. 30-045 1123 feet FNL & 863 feet FWL Lot 1 (Unit D), Section 28-31N-16W San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Pippin:

Reference is made to the following:

- (a) your non-standard location applications: administrative application reference No. pTGW11-00337236, submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico on January 3, 2011 and administrative application reference No. pAXK1318825771, submitted on June 27, 2013;
- (b) your non-standard proration unit applications: administrative application reference No. pTGW11-00338939 submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico on January 3, 2011 and administrative application reference No. pAXK1318258466, submitted on June 27, 2013; and
  - (c) the Division's records pertinent to these requests.

BIYA Operators, Inc. [OGRID 224717] (BIYA) has requested as-drilled approval of the above-referenced well at an unorthodox well location described above in the caption of this letter.

BIYA has additionally requested approval of a non-standard, 15.25-acre, more or less, oil spacing and proration unit in the Horseshoe Gallup Pool (32870)consisting of Lot 1 (NW/4 NW/4 equivalent) of Section 28, Township 31 North, Range 16 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

This pool is governed by statewide Rule 19.15.15.9 NMAC, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. The location is less than 330 feet from the southern and eastern unit boundaries.

Your applications have been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13, 15.11.B and 4.12.A(2) and (3).

It is our understanding that you are seeking this non-standard location and unit due to the irregularity of the official survey.

It is also understood that you gave due notice of the original application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units, and that the amended application involves not additional encroachment.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.11.B(2), the above-described non-standard spacing and proration unit is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9.

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

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec United States Bureau of Land Management

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