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Attention: Richard Corcoran Land Manager <u>Rich.corcoran@cdxgas.com</u>

Administrative Order NSL-5290

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated August 23, 2005 that was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 29, 2005 (*administrative application reference No. pMES0-529839247*); and (ii) the Division's records in Aztec and Santa Fe: all concerning CDX Rio, L.L.C.'s ("CDX") request for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-B, dated June 30, 2000, as amended by Division Orders No. R-10987-B (1), dated August 10, 2000, and R-10987-B (2), dated January 29, 2002, for its proposed Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Well No. 7-G to be drilled at an unorthodox infill gas well location 1470 feet from the North line and 2305 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 4, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Basin-Dakota Pool (**71599**), Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The Basin-Dakota gas production from this well is to be included within an existing standard 319.77-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 4, which is currently dedicated to CDX's: (i) Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Well No. 7 (API No. 30-039-21675), located at a standard gas well location 790 feet from the South and West lines (Unit M) of Section 4; (ii) Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Well No. 7-E (API No. 30-039-23163), located at a standard infill gas well location 1030 feet from the North line and 1050 feet from the West line (Lot 4/Unit D) of Section 4; and (iii) recently drilled Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Well No. 7-F (API No. 30-039-27839), located at a standard infill gas well-location 1700 feet from the South line and 1970 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 4.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing the Basin-Dakota Pool.

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By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the abovedescribed unorthodox Basin-Dakota infill gas well location for CDX's proposed Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Well No. 7-G is hereby approved. Further, all four of the aforementioned Jicarilla Apache Tribal "151" Wells No. 7, 7-E, 7-F, and 7-G and existing 319.77-acre GPU will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico and to the Basin-Dakota Pool.

Sincerely,

1. Jennire Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.

Director

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cc: U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Farmington New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec