

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

GARREY CARRUTHERS
GOVERNOR

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504 (505) 827-5800

January 24, 1989

Marbob Energy Corporation P.O. Drawer 217 Artesia, NM 88210

Attention: Rhonda Nelson

Assistant Production Supervisor

Administrative Order NFL-178

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Reference is made to your application for an Infill Well Finding and Well-Spacing Waiver made pursuant to Section 271.305(b) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulations, Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, and the Oil Conservation Division Order No. R-6013 for the following described well:

Elk State Well No. 1 located 719 feet from the South line and 760 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Red Lake Queen Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

THE DIVISION FINDS THAT:

- (1) Section 271.305(b) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Interim Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 provides that, in order for an infill well to qualify as a new onshore production well under Section 103 of said Act, the Division must find, prior to the commencement of drilling that subsequent wells are necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well-spacing requirements.
- (2) By Division Order No. R-6013, dated June 7, 1979, the Division established an administrative procedure whereby the Division Director and the Division Examiners are empowered to act for the Division and find that an infill well is necessary.
- (3) The well for which a finding is sought is to be completed in the Red Lake Queen Grayburg-San Andres Pool, and the standard spacing unit in said pool is 40 acres.
- (4) A standard 40-acre oil proration unit comprising the SW/4 SW/4 of said Section 27 is currently dedicated to the applicant's T.J. State Well No. 2 located 660 feet from the South and West lines of said Section 27.

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- (5) Said unit is <u>not</u> being effectively and efficiently drained by the existing well on the unit.
- (6) The drilling and completion of the well for which a finding is sought should result in the production of an additional 40,278 MCF of gas from the proration unit which would not otherwise be recovered.
- (7) All the requirements of Division Order No. R-6013 have been compiled with, and the well for which a finding is sought is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within the unit.
- (8) In order to permit effective and efficient drainage of said proration unit, the subject application should be approved as an exception to the standard well spacing requirements for the pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The applicant is hereby authorized to drill the Elk State Well No. 1 as described above, as an infill well on the existing 40-acre oil proration unit comprising the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 27, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Red Lake Queen Grayburg-San Andres Pool, Eddy County New Mexico. The authorization for infill drilling granted by this order is an exception to applicable well spacing requirements and is necessary to permit drainage of a portion of the reservoir covered by said proration unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well thereon.
- (2) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely.

Michael E. Stogner

Examiner

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Artesia

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Administrative Order NFL-\78

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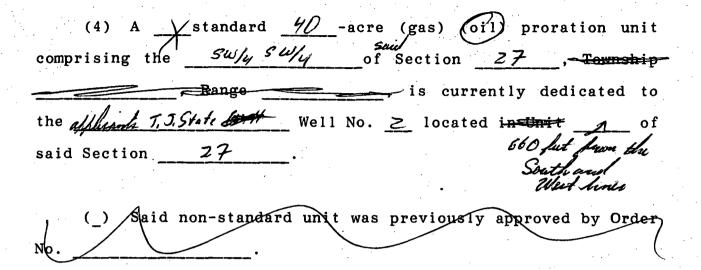
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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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Elk State Well No. 2 as described above, as
an infill well on the existing <u>40</u> -acre (611) (gas) proration
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION



POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504 (505) 827-5800

March 9, 1988

Marbob Energy Corporation P.O. Box 217 Artesia, NM 88210 Attn: Rhonda Welson

RE: Well head price ceiling determination, NGPA of 1978

Gentlemen:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has received your application for a wellhead price ceiling category determination under the section(s) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 indicated below. If your application is incomplete, forms are attached hereto, indicating the documents and further information which must be filed before your application can be considered. If your application is complete, it will be acted upon administratively unless written objection is received within 15 days of its filing.

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WELL NAME AND LOCATION	Elk State No. 1 M-27-17S-28E Eddy
SECTION(S) APPLIED FOR	103
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NOTE: THIS FORM LETTER MUST ACCOMPANY TWO COPIES OF THE

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Shril 11, 1988

DATE:

Marbob Energy Corporation

P. O. BOXX 204X Drawer 217
ARTESIA. NEW MEXICO 38210

PHONES
OFFICE: 746.2422

NIGHT 746-3895 746-4877

Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

SUBJECT:

Natural Gas Policy Act Statement Under Oath Paragraph 274.204 New Onshore Production Well

RE: Natural	Gas Produced	From:
Well Name:	Elk State #1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
A.P.I. #:	30-015-25845	
Location:	719 FSL 760 FWL	Sec. 27-T17S-R28E
Formation:	San Andres	
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Marbob Energy Corportion (Seller), a New Mexico corporation, herein swears that:

- (1) In order to determine that the surface drilling of the referenced well began on a qualified proration unit on or after February 19, 1977, Marbob Energy has searched and reviewed or caused to be searched and reviewed pursuant to its instructions, the following records and sources of information:
 - (a) Commercial oil and gas lease ownership map and well location map compiled from official county and state records and sold to us by Midland Map Co., Midland, Texas, on file in Seller's offices.
 - (b) Legal review of land title prior to drilling, on file in Seller's offices.
 - (c) Electric log records of all wells within the same section as the referenced well and which penetrated the same prospective formations as sought by the referenced well. Log records are on file in Seller's offices, respective state or federal offices, and commercial log companies.

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- (e) Daily drilling reports on file in Seller's files indicating date and time of spudding the referenced well.
- (f) State of New Mexico approval of the referenced well location and dedicated acreage to be assigned to the well in the event of production. Such records are on file in both Seller's office and respective state or federal offices. A copy of the acreage dedication plat is included.
- (g) Official notices by operator of well drilling activity and completion reports filed with respective state offices. Copies of completion reports are filed with this application.
- (2) On the basis of Seller's search and examination, Seller has concluded that to the best of his information, knowledge and belief the surface drilling of the referenced well began on or after February 19, 1977.
- (3) The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division has altered or granted a waiver of any applicable well spacing requirements on this proration unit.
- (4) Based on the results of record searches and reviews listed in paragraph (1) of this letter, Seller has concluded to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, the natural gas for which he seeks a determination is produced from a new onshore production well.
- (5) Seller has no knowledge of any information not described in the application which is inconsistent with his conclusions.

MARBOB ENERGY CORPORATION

Rhonda Nelson

Assistant Production Supervisor

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REQUEST FOR INFILL FINDING ON

ELK STATE #1

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Procedures Amended February 8, 1980

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RULE 5

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Form C-102 Supersedes C-128 Ellective 1-1-65

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All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section. Well No. Lease Operator 1 Elk State Marbob Energy Corp. County Section Township Unit Letter 28-E Eddy 17-S Actual Footage Location of Well: 760 West South 719 line and feet from the line feet from the Producing Formation Programme Care Q Gb SA Ground Level Elev. Dedicated Acreage: San Andres 3678.6 Acres 1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below. 2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty). 3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling. etc? If answer is "yes," type of consolidation. If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.). No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Commission. CERTIFICATION. I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. David Martin Position Land Department Marbob Energy Corporation 12/3/87 I hernby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the knowledge and belief. Date Surveyed November 30, 1987 Registered Professional Engineer Certificate No 676

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Rule 6:

Elk State #1

Pool: Red Lake Queen Grayburg San Andres

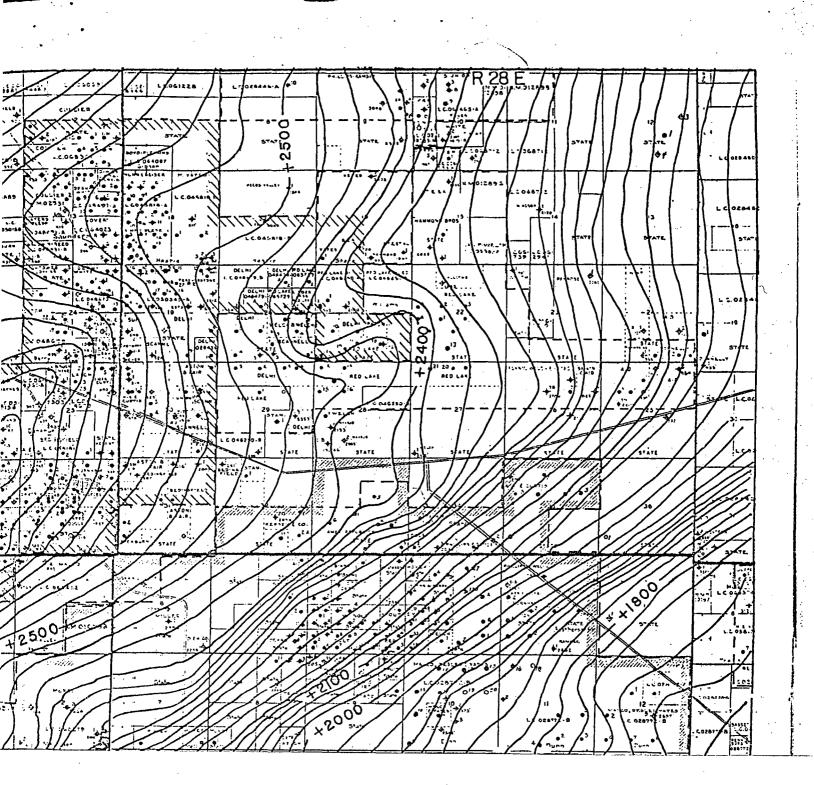
Standard spacing unit - 40 acres

Rule 7:

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Rule 8:

- a. Elk St. #1, 719 FSL 760 FWL Sec. 27-T17S-R28E T.J. St. #2, 660 FSL 660 FWL Sec. 27-T17S-R28E
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- c. #1 1/20/88 T.J. St. #2 - 4/29/62
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Paul G. White Engineering

OIL AND NATURAL GAS

April 26, 1988

Marbob Energy Corporation P. O. Box 217 Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Pertinent Engineering Data Elk State No. 1 Red Lake Queen, GR-SA Eddy County N.M.

Gentlemen:

The subject well, located 719' FSL and 760' FWL, Section 27-17S-28E, Eddy County, New Mexico, was completed January 20, 1988.

I have estimated the oil and gas reserves for the subject well based on a 10 acre density. From the electrical log and analagous well studies, have estimated that the well will recover 19,180 barrels of oil and 40,278 MCF of gas.

This well exhibits a starting rate which indicates and undisturbed reservoir even when drilled on the 10 acre proration unit. Further, the very low order of permeability requires very large fracture treatments and stimulations for a well to respond and produce any hydrocarbons. None are produced naturally. Thirdly, there has been no evidence of any drainage or communication between the wells when drilled and developed on the 10 acre density.

A study of nearby producing well rates and initial potentials reveals that wells will have to be drilled on a 10 acre spacing to properly and adequately recover the oil and gas reserves in this field.

Therefore, it is my recommendation that in-fill wells be drilled and the well density be increased to at least 10 acre spacing.

From my study the in-fill wells will characteristically exhibit new reservoir conditions.

Signed	Paul G. White, Petroleum Engineer	
	Paul G. White, Petroleum Engineer	
Date	4-26-88	.,

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Rule 11:

Notice of this infill request has been sent to Yates Petroleum Corporation, 105 S. 4th St., Artesia, NM 88210 and to ARCO, P. O. Box 3644, Dallas, TX 75285.

Marbob Energy Corporation

NIGHT 746-3895 746-4877

PHONES OFFICE: 746-2422

P. O. BOXX 104X Drawer 217
ARTESIA. NEW MEXICO 38210

Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

SUBJECT: Natural Gas Policy Act
Statement Under Oath
Paragraph 274.204
New Onshore Production Well

RE: Natural Gas Produced From:

Well Name: Elk State #1

A.P.I. #: 30-015-25845

Location: 719 FSL 760 FWL Sec. 27-T17S-R28E

Formation: San Andres

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REQUEST FOR INFILL FINDING ON ELK STATE #1

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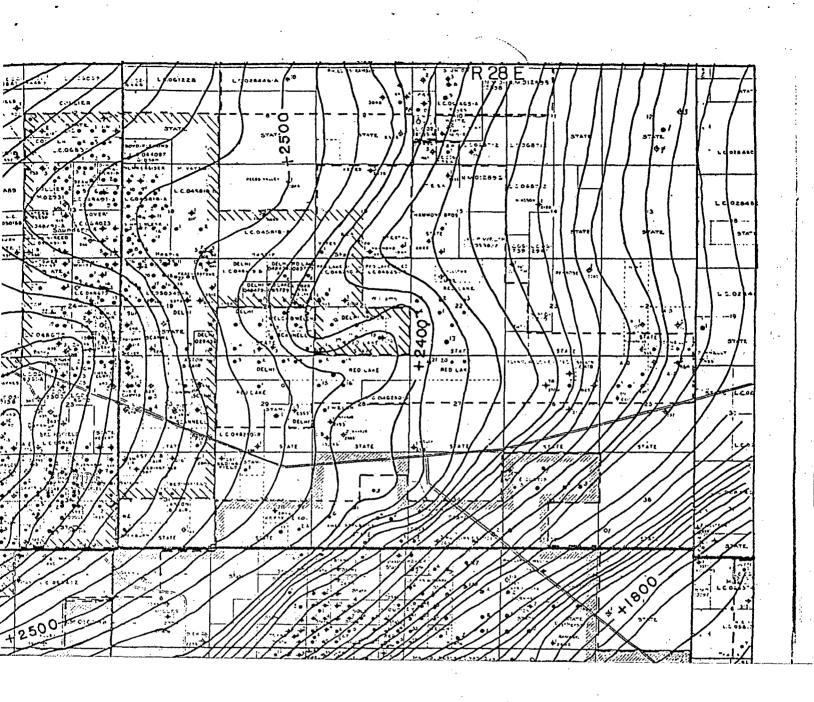
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A study of nearby producing well rates and initial potentials reveals that wells will have to be drilled on a 10 acre spacing to properly and adequately recover the oil and gas reserves in this field.

Therefore, it is my recommendation that in-fill wells be drilled and the well density be increased to at least 10 acre spacing.

From my study the in-fill wells will characteristically exhibit new reservoir conditions.

Signed	Paul G. White, Petroleum Engineer	
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Date	4-26-88	

Rule 11:

Notice of this infill request has been sent to Yates Petroleum Corporation, 105 S. 4th St., Artesia, NM 88210 and to ARCO, P. O. Box 3644, Dallas, TX 75285.