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May 10, 2006

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Michael E. Stogner 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

### RE: ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX LOCATION JICARILLA C #2M, 150 FSL & 275 FWL JICARILLA C #2N, 175 FSL, 130 FEL SECTION 14-T26N-R5W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Mr. Stogner:

CDX Rio, LLC hereby requests Administrative Approval for the captioned Unorthodox Locations both proposed Blanco Mesaverde and Basin Dakota commingled wells under the provisions of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Order R-10987-B and Order R-10987-A respectively.

The locations of the proposed tests were selected to optimize recovery from the Dakota formation. Drainage areas are elliptical in shape and have been determined from a study done on Township 26 North Ranges 4 and 5 West and are more specifically set out in the attached Geological/Engineering report. In addition to reservoir considerations the usable space at the base of Honolulu Mesa, in the SE/4 of Section 14 for the JICARILLA C #2N, is less than 80 acres total, of which approximately 10 acres may be within a standard spacing window. Likewise the useable acreage on the top of Honolulu Mesa is very limited. Since these are infill locations the further from the existing wells (Jicarilla C #2E in the SE/4, and Jicarilla 2 in the SW/4 & Jicarilla 6 in the NW/4) we move the less drainage is encountered, however we simultaneously move further outside the orthodox drilling window. The proposed location encroaches on CDX Rio, LLC operated wells in the N/2 of Section 23-T26N-R5W, and the S/2 of Sections 13 & 15-T26N-R5W, which have the same ownership as the offending well.

The proposed Jicarilla C #2M well to be located 150' FSL & 275' FWL of Section 14 would be the third Basin Dakota and second Mesaverde well in the S/2 of Section 14 -T26N-R5W. The Jicarilla C #2 (API #30-039-08145) located 835' FSL and 2,140' FWL of Section 14 -T26N-R5W, was drilled to a total depth of 7,999', completed in the Basin Dakota formation on October 24, 1966, and has cumulatively produced 5,970,986 MCFG through February of 2006. The Jicarilla C #2E (API #30-039-22314) located 1,800' FSL and 890' FEL of Section 14 -T26N-R5W, was drilled to a total depth of 7,750', completed in the Basin Dakota and Blanco Mesaverde formations on September 22, 1980, and has produced 1,535,638 MCFG through February of 2006.

The proposed Jicarilla C #2N well, to be located 175 FSL, 130 FEL of Section 14 would be the fourth Basin Dakota and third Mesaverde well in the S/2 of Section 14 -T26N-R5W. The Jicarilla C #2 (API #30-039-08145) located 835' FSL and 2,140' FWL of Section 14 -T26N-R5W, was drilled to a total depth of 7,999', completed in the Basin Dakota formation on October 24, 1966, and has cumulatively produced 5,970,986 MCFG through February of 2006. The Jicarilla C #2E (API #30-039-22314) located 1,800' FSL and 890' FEL of Section 14 -T26N-R5W, was drilled to a total depth of 7,750', completed in the Basin Dakota and Blanco Mesaverde formations on September 22, 1980, and has produced 1,535,638 MCFG through February of 2006.

CDX Rio, LLC is the operator of ALL the adjoining spacing units in the Blanco Mesaverde and Basin Dakota pools, consequently no other offsetting operators are affected.

Attached are well location plats showing dedicated acreage (C-102), a topographic plat of the area, a map showing all offsetting owners and our Geologic/Engineering explanation of the reservoir considerations establishing the increased recovery that we expect to gain by moving the proposed well to non-standard location.

Your favorable consideration of this request would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Felicia Dillard Land Assistant CDX Gas, LLC

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#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT <sup>2</sup>Pool Code <sup>8</sup>Pool Name <sup>1</sup> API Number 72319/71599 Blanco Mesaverde/Basin Dakota 30-039-\* Well Number \*Property Code <sup>a</sup>Property Name JICARILLA C 2M 33461 7 OGRID No. \*Operator Name \* Elevation CDX RIO, LLC 222374 6962 <sup>10</sup> Surface Location UL or lot no. Section Township Range Lot Idn Feet from the North/South line Feet from the East/West line County 14 SOUTH 26-N 150 275 **RIO ARRIBA** 5-₩ WEST <sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface UL or lot no. Lot Idn Feet from the North/South line Feet from the Section Township East/West line Range County <sup>2</sup> Dedicated Acres <sup>18</sup> Joint or Infill <sup>14</sup> Consolidation Code 15 Order No. MV - S/320 Υ DK - S/320 NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION 'D COR. 3L. PROP. 17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATION I haveby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature

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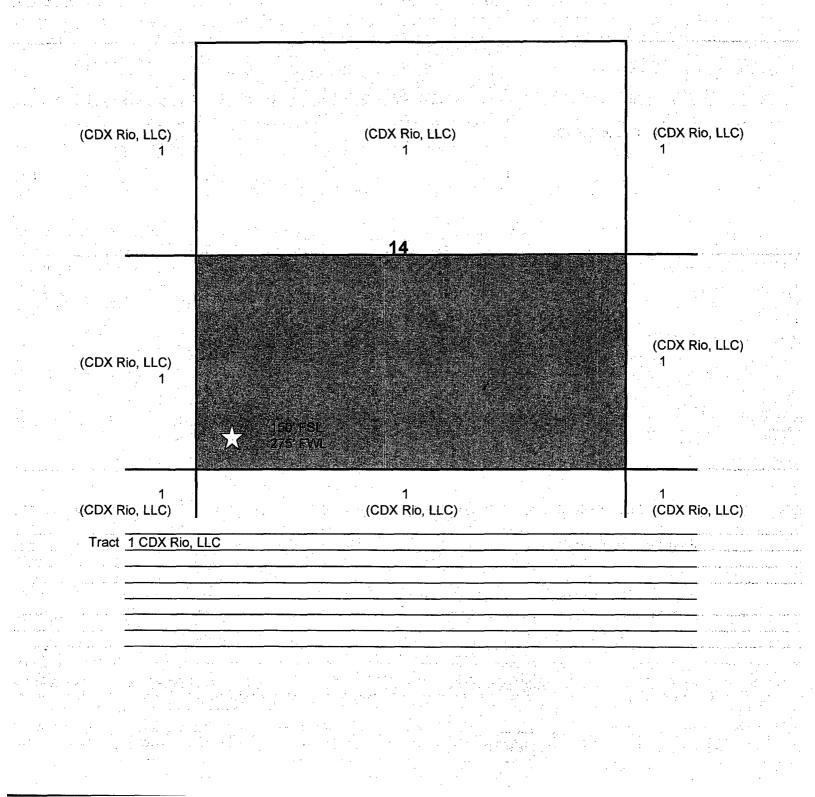
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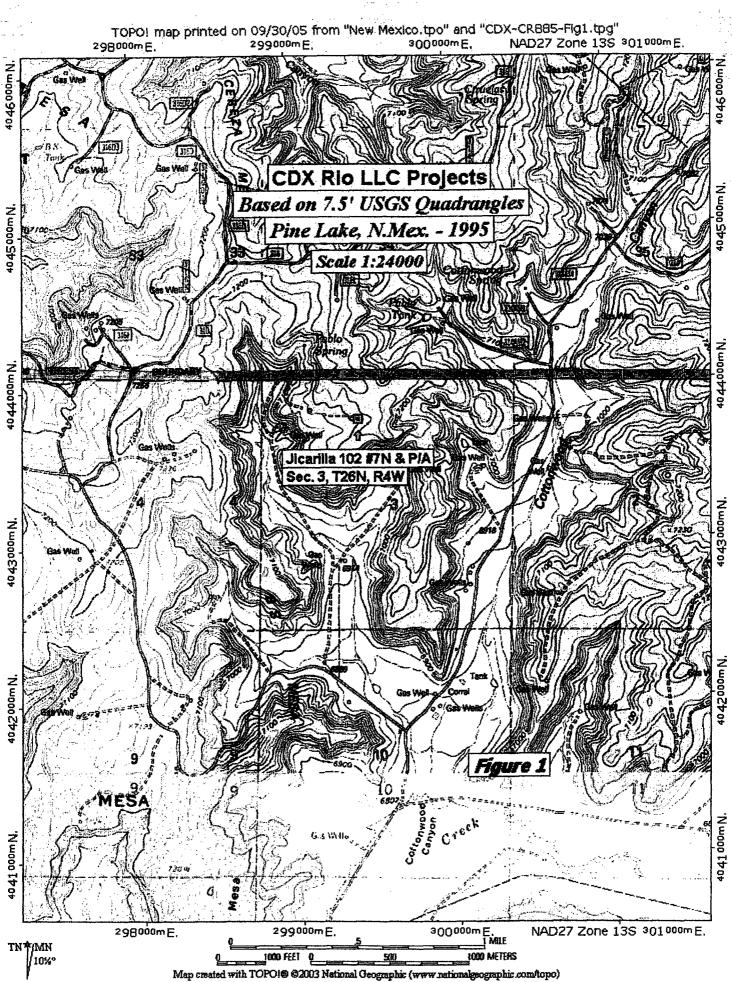
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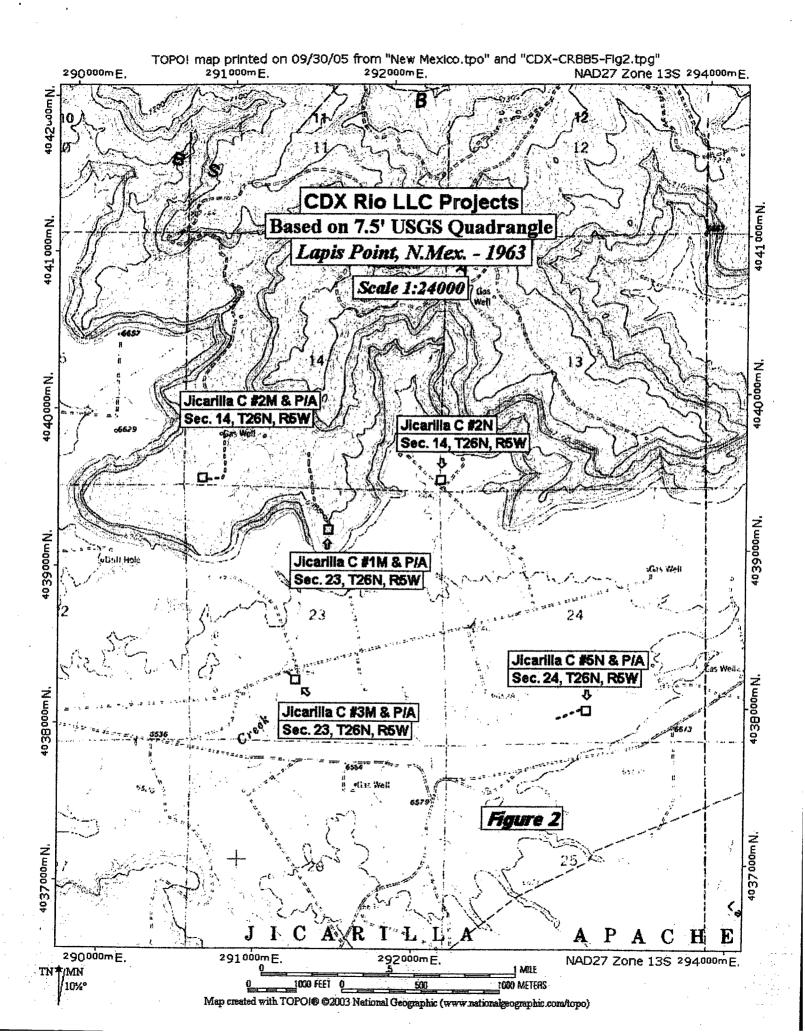
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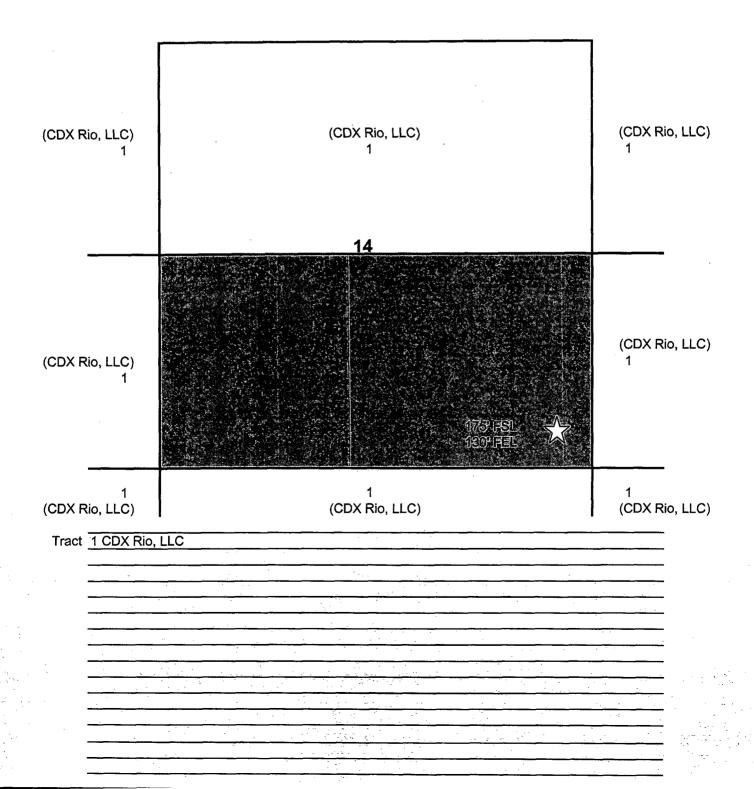
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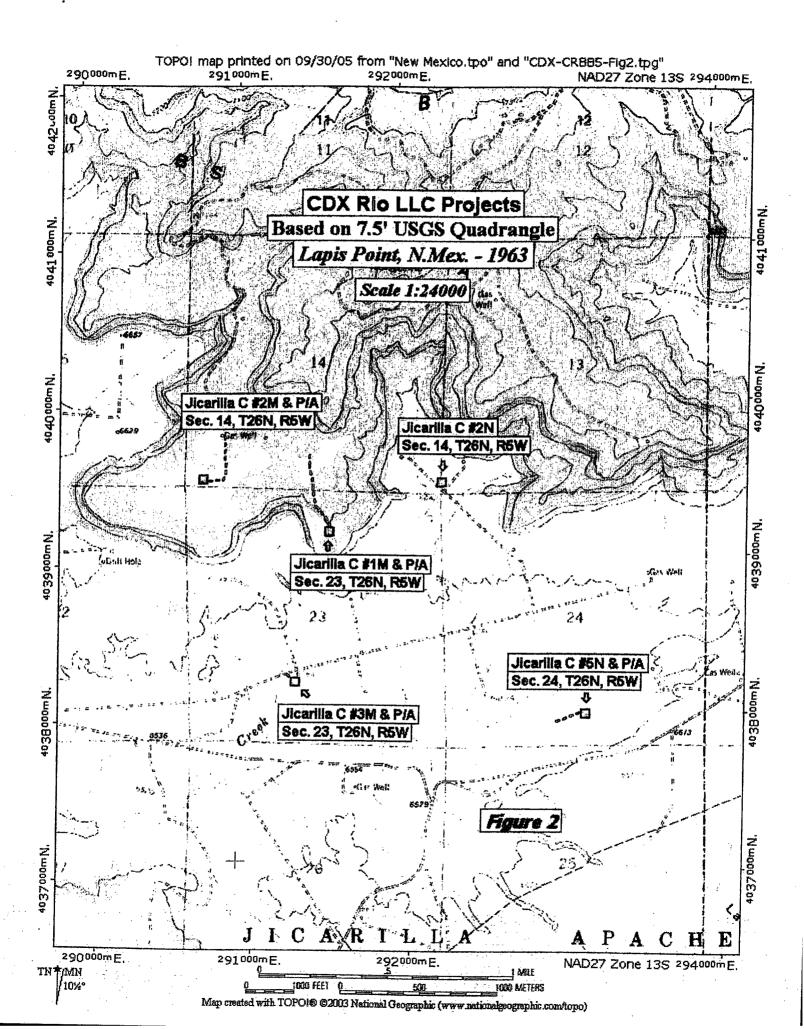
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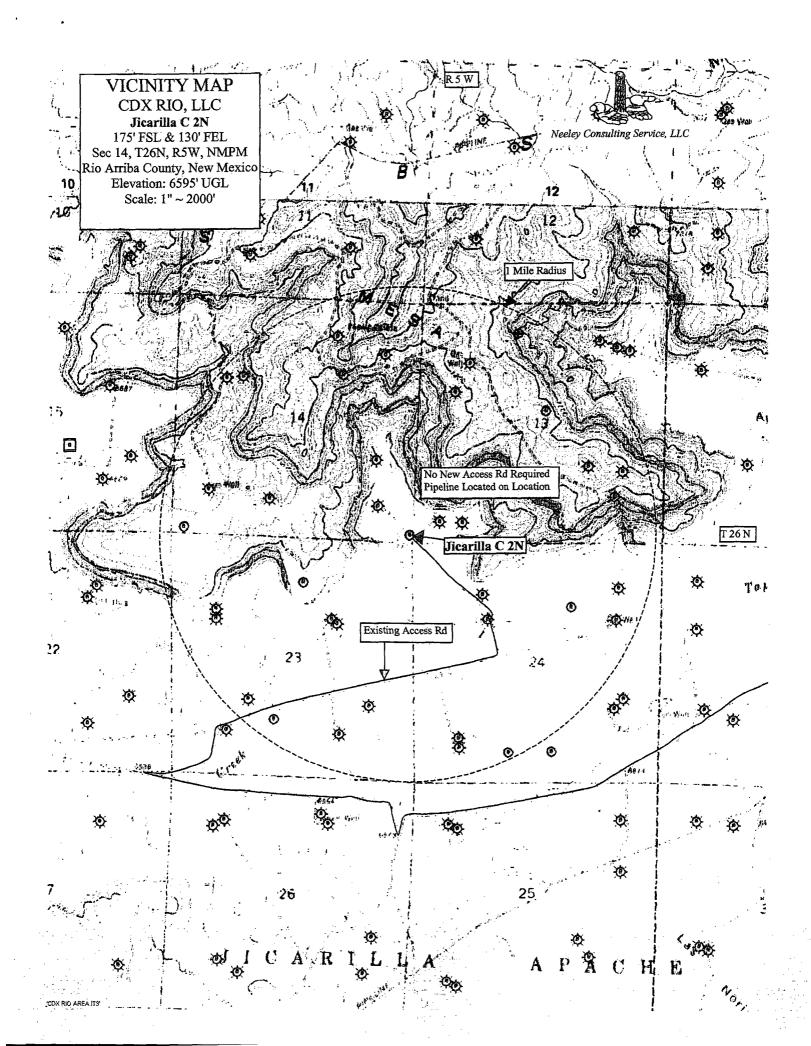
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To: Mike Stogner

From: Peter Kondrat, Senior Geologist and Rod Seale, Senior Petroleum Engineer
 Subject: Approval Request of Mesaverde-Dakota Formations Unorthodox Infill Locations due to
 Reservoir Considerations
 Location: CDX Rio, LLC Leasehold, Jicarilla Apache Nation, San Juan Basin

Date: May 3, 2006

### Application:

CDX Rio, LLC respectfully requests the approval of the following listed unorthodox Mesaverde-Dakota Formations infill locations due to reservoir considerations.

Well Name & Number	Spot of Bottom Hole Location	Sec-Twn-Rng	Formations		
1) Jicarilla C #2M	150 FSL & 275 FWL	14-T26N-R5W	MVRD-DKOT		
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### Summary:

CDX Rio, LLC is continuing its Mesaverde-Dakota 80-acre increased density infill development program of its San Juan Basin Tapicito Project located in the Jicarilla Apache Nation, Rio Arribia County, New Mexico. CDX is currently permitting both standard and non-standard locations to fulfill the development program. The proposed unorthodox gas well locations are necessitated by a combination of topographic, engineering and geologic factors. None of the proposed locations infringe on the correlative rights of other operators.

Utilizing geologic and engineering data, CDX has completed a detailed study identifying the most optimal locations for Mesaverde and Dakota Formation infill wells. These locations are defined as optimal because they ensure maximum recovery of reserves and minimize waste.

CDX has constructed various maps for the Mesaverde and Dakota Formations that depict:

- 1) Bulk volume hydrocarbon feet
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