





NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

BILL RICHARDSON

Governor

Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary

June 6, 2006

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.

Director

Oil Conservation Division

Chevron U.S.A., Inc. 11,111 S. Wilcrest Drive Houston, Texas 77099

Attention:

Carl Okpattah, Geologist

Chevron U.S.A., Inc.'s ("Chevron") proposed L. R. Kershaw Well No. 16 to be drilled in the RE: Monument-Tubb Pool (47090) at an unorthodox location 1220 feet from the North line and 500 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 13, Township 20 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Okpattah:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 4, 2006 (Division administrative reference No. pTDS0-611836444) that was received by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on April 27, 2006 concerning Chevron's proposed additional development of the Monument-Tubb Pool with the above described well. As you know the Monument-Tubb Pool currently comprises the following described area in Lea County, New Mexico:

TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM

Section 27:

SE/4

Section 32:

SE/4

Section 34:

NE/4 and S/2

Section 35:

SW/4

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM

Section 2:

W/2 and SE/4

Sections 3 through 5:

All

Section 8:

N/2 and SE/4

Sections 9 through 12: All

Section 13:

N/2

Section 14:

N/2 and W/2 SW/4

Section 15:

All

Section 16:

N/2 and SE/4

Section 20:

NE/4

Section 21:

N/2

Section 22:

N/2

Section 23:

W/2

TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, NMPM

Section 6:

S/2

Section 7:

N/2 and SW/4.

Attention: Mr. Carl Okpattah

As you are also aware, the Monument-Tubb Pool is currently governed by the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Monument-Tubb Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-2800, issued in Division Case No. 3123 on November 10, 1964, as amended by Division Order R-10128, issued in Division No. 10984 on June 3, 1994, and includes provisions requiring: (i) standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration units comprising the W/2, E/2, S/2, or N/2 of a governmental quarter section; (ii) wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to any governmental quarter-quarter section or lot line; and (iii) a limiting gas/oil ratio of 10,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil, which results in a casinghead gas allowable of 2220 MCF per day (depth bracket oil allowable for the Monument-Tubb Pool of 222 barrels of oil per day times 10,000).

As indicated in your letter of application the N/2 NE/4 of Section 13, being a standard 80-acre lay-down oil spacing and proration unit within the Monument-Tubb Pool, is currently dedicated to Chevron's L. R. Kershaw Well No. 15 (API No. 30-025-30806), located at a standard oil well location 330 feet from the North line and 2305 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 13.

I am withdrawing this request and returning your letter of application for the simultaneous dedication of Tubb production within this 80-acre unit to Chevron's existing L. R. Kershaw Well No. 15 and proposed L. R. Kershaw Well No. 16. You failed however to provide the necessary information, or state the reason why the No. 16 well will be unorthodox. Should Chevron still find it necessary to drill at this particular non-standard location and unable to move at least 230 feet to the north to an orthodox location, please reference Division Rules 104.F and 1210.A (2) [formerly Division Rule 1207.A (2), see Division Order No. R-12327-A, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 13482 on September 15, 2005] and resubmit this informational letter as a formal application seeking to drill the L. R. Kershaw Well No. 16 as an infill well to the L. R. Kershaw Well No. 15 at an unorthodox location within the existing 80-acre spacing and proration unit.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact and consult your legal counsel, Mr. William F. Carr in Santa Fe, New Mexico at (505) 988-4421.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner Staff Engineer

c: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs
Mr. William F. Carr, Legal Counsel for Chevron U.S.A., Inc. - Santa Fe

herron

MIKE STOGUER

4/28/06

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR DIVISION USE ONLY

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION COVERSHEET

THIS COVERSHEET IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS **Application Acronyms:** [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [DD-Directional Drilling] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication] [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling] [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement] [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion] [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase] [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response] APR TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A] [1] Location - Spacing Unit - Directional Drilling \boxtimes SD □ NSL · □ NSP \square DD Check One Only for [B] and [C] Commingling - Storage - Measurement \Box CTB \square PLC \Box PC □ OLS Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery [C] \square WFX \square PMX \square SWD \square EOR [2] **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: -** Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply ☐ Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners [B] ☑ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner [C] ☐ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice ☐ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO [D]U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office [E] ☐ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or, [F] ☐ Waivers are Attached [3] INFORMATION / DATA SUBMITTED IS COMPLETE - Statement of Understanding I hereby certify that I, or personnel under my supervision, have read and complied with all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division. Further, I assert that the attached application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and where applicable, verify that all interest (WI, RI, ORRI) is common. I understand that any omission of data, information or notification is cause to have the application package returned with no action taken. Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with supervisory capacity. Carl Okpattah Geologist 04/20/2006 Print or Type Name Title Date



Carl Okpattah Geologist Permian Basin

1. 14 Link the transfer of the contract of th **Mid-Continent Business Unit** Chevron U.S.A. Inc. 11111 S. Wilcrest Dr. Houston, Texas 77099 Tel 281-561-4903 Fax 281-561-3576 cokpattah@chevron.com

April 4, 2006

Request for Administrative Approval Simultaneous Dedication Request LR Kershaw #16 1220' FNL & 500' FEL Unit A, Section 13, T20S, R37E Lea County, New Mexico

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

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Chevron respectfully requests administrative approval to Simultaneously Dedicate the allowable for the Monument Tubb to the LR Kershaw #15 and the LR Kershaw #16.

Chevron is planning to drill and complete the LR Kershaw #16 as a gas well in the Tubb formation. It is proposed to complete the subject well as a gas producer in the Monument Tubb pool and downhole commingle in the Blinebry and Drinkard zones.

Upon completion, the subject zone in the well would be simultaneously dedicated to the LR Kershaw #15 on an 80 acre proration unit. A land map highlighting the proposed well's location is attached as Exhibit 1.

Notification to the necessary offset operators has been made.

If you have any questions concerning this application or need additional information, please contact me by phone at (281)-561-4903 or by email at <u>COKPATTAH@CHEVRON.COM</u>. If I am not available, you can contact Andrew Lawther at (281)-561-4796 or by email at <u>LAWTHER@CHEVRON.COM</u>. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carl Okpattah Geologist

Attachments

cc: NMOCD District 1 – Hobbs, NM Andrew Lawther Well File 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised March 17, 1999

District II 811 South First, Artesia, NM 88210

District III

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505 □ AMENDED REPORT

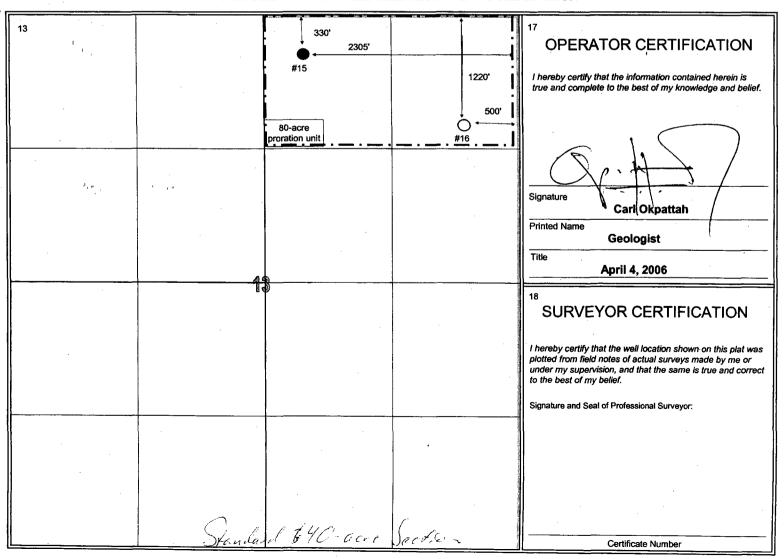
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410 District IV

2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87505

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

¹ API Number 30-025-3080 6				² Pool Code 47090		³ Pool Name Mo nument Tubb				
⁴ Property Code	e			⁶ Well Number 15						
⁷ OGRID No. 4323			·	⁹ Elevation 3569' KB						
					¹⁰ Surface Lo	cation				
UL or Lot No. Se	ection	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County	
В	13	208	37E		330	North	2305	East	Lea	
			¹¹ Bott	om Hole	Location If D	ifferent From S	urface			
UL or Lot No. Se	ection	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County	

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



<u>Pistrict I</u> 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised March 17, 1999

<u>District II</u> 311 South First, Artesia, NM 88210

<u>District III</u> 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87505

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505 Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies

Fee Lease - 3 Copies

□ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

¹ API Number 30-025- ⁴ Property Code				² Pool Code 47090		³ Pool Name Monument Tubb					
			⁵ Property Name LR Kershaw						⁶ Well Number 16		
⁷ OGRID 4323			:		⁹ Elevation 3567' KB						
					¹⁰ Surface Lo	cation					
UL or Lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County		
A	13	20\$	37E	, ,	1220	North	500	East	Lea		
			¹¹ Bott	om Hole	Location If D	ifferent From S	urface				
UL or Lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County		
Dedicated Acr	res 13 Join	nt or Infill 14 C	Consolidation	Code 15 Orc	der No.	<u></u>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
NC) ALLOW	ABLE WIL				TION UNTIL ALL IN BEEN APPROVED B		EEN CONSOLI	DATED OR A		
13	 			##.##	330'	572 pt. 993-224 993-273 pt. 973-273	17 OPER	RATOR CEF	RTIFICATION		

true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. 500' 80-acre #16 proration unit Signature Carl Okpattah Printed Name Geologist Title April 4, 2006 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION I hereby 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 best of my belief. Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor: Certificate Number

