



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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**Oil Conservation Division**

**Cimarex Energy Company of Colorado**  
c/o **James Bruce**  
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**Administrative Order NSL-5442**

Dear Mr. Bruce:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application on behalf of the operator, Cimarex Energy Company of Colorado ("Cimarex") that was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 10, 2006 (*administrative application reference No. pTDS0-62259445*); and (ii) the Division's records in Hobbs and Santa Fe: all concerning Cimarex's request for an exception to Rule 4 of the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the EK-Bone Springs Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-4981, as amended, for its proposed Pipeline "B-5" Federal Well No. 2 (*API No. 30-025-38044*) to be drilled at an unorthodox oil well location 1650 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

The N/2 SW/4 of Section 5 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 80-acre lay-down oil spacing and proration unit for the Undesignated EK-Bone Spring Pool (**21650**).

Your application for Cimarex has been duly filed under the provisions of: (i) Rule 5 of the special rules for the EK-Bone Springs Pool; (ii) Division Rules 104.F; and (iii) Rule 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].

By the authority granted me under the provision Rule 5 of these special pool rules and Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox EK-Bone Spring oil well location is hereby approved.

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

Sincerely,

Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.

Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Carlsbad