OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION P. O. BOX 871 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 11, 1956

El Paso Natural Gas Company P. O. Box 997 Farmington, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. E. J. Coel

Administrative Order NSL-34

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for approval of an unorthodox well location for your Johnston Well No. 4, to be located 2001 feet from the South line and 1175 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, Astec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that this unorthodox location is based upon extreme topographic conditions in the SE/4 of said section.

Inasmuch as you are the only offset operator, it is possible for immediate approval to be granted. Therefore, by authority granted me under provisions of Rule 5 of the Special Rules and Regulations of the Aztec-Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool, as set forth in Order R-565-C, you are hereby granted an exception to Rule 3 of Order R-565-C for the above described unorthodox well location. You must also obtain like approval from the U. S. Geological Survey.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr. Acting-Secretary Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Commission, Aztec

U. S. Geolgocial Survey, Farmington