

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company P. O. Box 4289 Farmington, New Mexico 87499-4289 Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-257-A

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on July 1, 1998 for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, for Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company's ("Burlington") proposed San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 41-M to be drilled at an unorthodox infill gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools 1990 feet from the North line and 870 feet from the West line (Lot 2/Unit E) of Section 7, Township 27 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Gas production attributed to the well from both pools is to be included in the existing standard 321.56-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the E/2 W/2 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 7. Blanco-Mesaverde gas production is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 31 (API No. 30-039-60066), located at a previously approved unorthodox gas well location (see Division Administrative Order NSL-257, dated June 12, 1961) 810 feet from the South line and 690 feet from the West line (Lot 4/Unit M) of Section 7. Basin-Dakota gas production is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 41 (API No. 30-039-20135), located at a standard gas well location 1550 feet from the South and West lines (Unit K) of Section 7.

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox Basin-Dakota/Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location for the San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 41-M is hereby approved. All of the aforementioned wells and both spacing units will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

/ BMES Lori Wrotenbery

Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington File: NSL-257 /