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Santa Fe

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (3) P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Secretary - Director

Gentlemen:

Application for Approval of <u>Two Unorthodox Locations - El Mar (Delaware)</u> Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Continental Oil Company, as operator of the North El Mar Pool respectfully requests approval of two unorthodox locations in the North El Mar Unit as described below:

North El Mar Unit Well No. 59 - 600 feet from south line, 900 feet from west line section 35, T-26S, R-32E

North El Mar Unit Well No. 60 - 500 feet from south line, 1650 feet from east line section 35, T-26S, R-32E

The two wells are located in units E (lot 4) and G (lot 2), respectively, in section 35 which is a partial section whose southern boundary is coincident with the Texas-New Mexico state line. The north - south dimension of these lots is approximately 823 feet. Therefore, well No. 59 is approximately 223 feet from the northern boundary of lot 4 and well No. 60 is approximately 323 feet from the north boundary of lot 2.

Both wells are being drilled as producing wells in this waterflood project and the purpose of drilling is for pattern improvement. As shown on the attached plat the only offset operator is Texaco Inc, operator of the El Mar Unit in Loving County, Texas. Wells 59 and 60 are being drilled in accordance with a cooperative lease line agreement being negotiated between the two units.

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In view of the fact that the line being crowded is an interior boundary within the North El Mar Unit, there are no offset operators and that the unorthodiox locations are caused by variations in the governmental surveys, it is respectfully requested that administrative approval be given the wells and locations described above. In the event such approval cannot be given administratively we should appreciate your setting this matter for hearing on the November 23, 1976, examiner hearing docket.

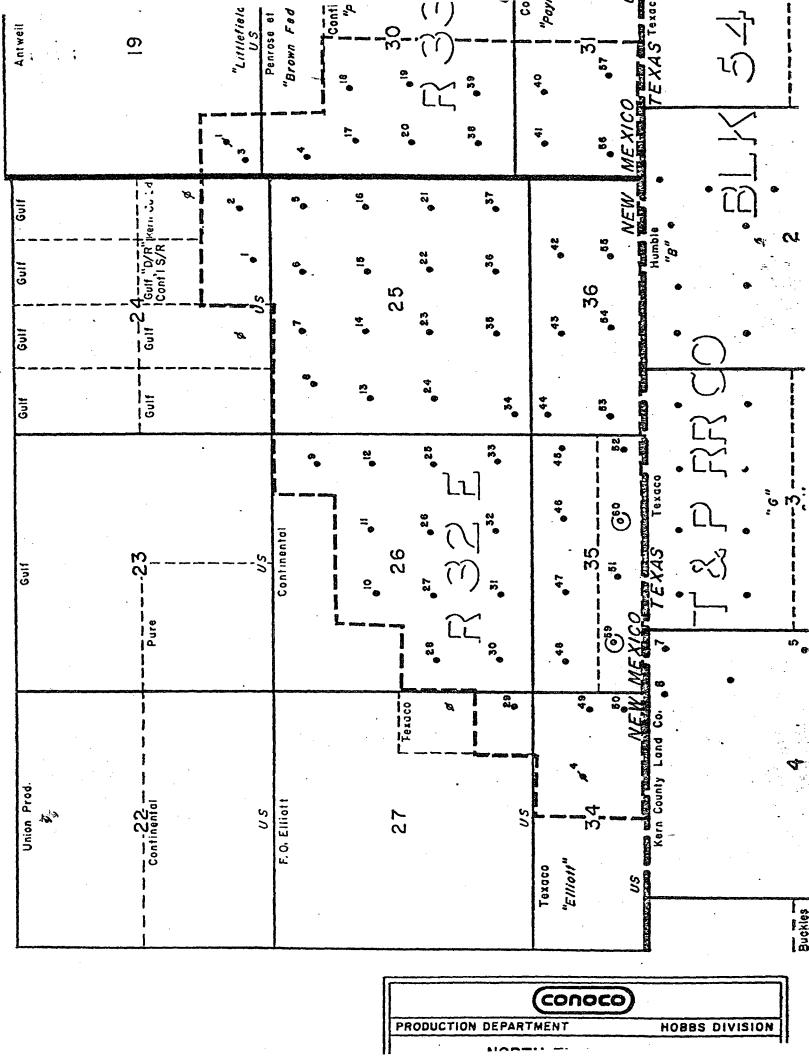
Yours very truly,

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CC: Texaco, Inc, Midland: C. F. Ellis: F. O. Hull: J. W. Kellahin



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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	DATE_	November 5,	1976
BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO		Proposed MC Proposed DHC Proposed NSL Proposed WFX Proposed PMX	X
Gentlemen:			
I have examined the application dated			
for the <u>Continental Oil Co. N. El Mar Unit #59 & Operator</u> Lease and Wel and my recommendations are as follows:	#60 1 No.	35-26-32 Unit,	S-T-R
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Yours very truly,

Jerry Serton