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Energy Reserves Group

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22-50 N 36-27 N-11W Re: Request for Unorthodox Well Location, Well E.H. Pipkin No. 6-E San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Energy Reserves Group, Inc. requests approval of an unorhtodox well location for its well E.H. Pipkin No. 6-E due to topographical conflicts. The orthodox location for this well falls in the bottom of Kutz Canyon. This canyon contains a significant drainage during run off periods. The area is highly eroded with numerous gullies and dry washes. It will be necessary to move the location south and west up out of the drainage bottom in order to construct a suitable location.

Energy Reserves Group, Inc. is the offset operator (See attached map).

If any additional information is required, please call me collect anytime.

Very truly yours,

ENERGY RESERVES GROUP, INC.

William J. Viant Field Services Administrator

Attachments

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# Supplemental to Form 9-331C

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2. The estimated tops of important geologic markers.

Ojo Alamo	5 <u>40 '</u>	Gallup	5180'
Kirtland	635 <b>'</b>	Greenhorn	5975 <b>'</b>
Pictured Cliffs	1625'	Dakota	6115'
Cliff House	3120 <b>'</b>	<i>T</i> • <i>D</i> •	6300 <b>'</b>
Pt. Lookout	3960 <b>'</b>		
Mancos	4285 <b>'</b>		

3. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil, gas, or other mineralbearing formations are expected to be encountered.

Ojo Alamo @ 540 is expected to be water bearing. Kirtland 635-3960' possible gas. Pt. Lookout 635-3960 possible gas Gallup @ 5180' possible oil. Dakota @ 6115' primary - gas.

4. The proposed casing program, including the size, grade, and weight-per-foot of each string and whether new or used.

8 5/8" K-55 20# NEW 4½" K-55 10.5# NEW

- 5. The lessee's or operator's minimum specifications for pressure control equipment which is to be used, a schematic diagram thereof showing sizes, pressure ratings (or API series), and the testing procedures and testing frequency. A 10" series 900 dual ram hydraulic BOP will be used. It will be tested to 800 PSI after installation and prior to drilling out from under surface casing. The BOP will be operated on each trip.
- 6. The type and characteristics of the proposed circulating medium or mediums to be employed for rotary drilling and the quantities and types of mud and weighting material to be maintained.

A fresh water base chemical gel mud will be used for drilling operations. Adequate supplies will be on location to handle minor lost circulation & blow out prevention.

7. The auxiliary equipment to be used, such as (1) kelly cocks, (2) floats at the bit, (3) monitoring equipment on the mud system, (4) a sub on the floor with a full opening valve to be stabbed into drill pipe when the kelly is not in the string.

A kelly cock, and a sub w/drill pipe thread and full opening valve on the rig floor will be used.

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8. The testing, logging, fracing, and coring programs to be followed with provision made for required flexibility.

No coring is planned. No DST's are planned. Logs will consist of DIL, Density-Neutron Gamma Ray. Fracing will consist of 100,000 gal gel water & 250,000# 20-40 sand.

9. Any anticipated abnormal pressures or temperatures expected to be encountered or potential hazards such as hydrogen sulfide gas, along with plans for mitigating such hazards.

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated.  ${\rm H_20}$  is not a problem in this area.

10. The anticipated starting date and duration of the operations.

It is planned to commence operations as soon as regulatory approval is obtained. It is estimated that it will take 15-20 days to drill, log, complete & test this well.

## 1. EXISTING ROADS

A-E. See attached map

- F Exisitng roads in the area are presently maintained by Energy Reserves Group, Inc. and El Paso Natural Gas Company, and Southern Union Refinery Company. No improvements are necessary.
- 2. PLANNED ACCESS ROADS
  - (1) Maximum width will be a 20' running surface
  - (2) Maximum grade will be 10% or less
  - (3) No turn outs are planned
  - (4) Drainage will be installed as per BLM recommendations
  - (5)(6) No surfacing is planned
  - (7)
- 3. LOCATION OF EXISITNG WELLS

See attached topo map There are numerous producing wells in the area. The proposed wells are 160 acres offset to the existing Energy Reserves Group, Inc. Basin Dakota Wells.

4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES

#### (Existing)

- A. See attached map
  - (1) tank batteries are located @ each well site
  - (2) production facilities consisting of a separator and delay unit are located at each well site.
  - (3) There are no oil gathering lines
  - (4) Gas is sold to Southern Union Refinery Company at the well head. Gathering lines shown belong to Southern Union.
  - (5) NA (6) NA
    - All lines are buried

B. (Proposed)

- (1,2) See attached plat
- (3) Standard oil field type construction methods will be used. No outside construction materials will be needed.
- (4) All pits and rotating machinery will be fenced or guarded so as to protect any livestock or wildlife.
- C. REHABILITATION

Those area no longer needed after drilling and completion operations will be recontoured and reseeded as per BLM recommendations.

- 5. LOCATION & TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY
  - A. Water will be obtained from the Kutz Wash located nearby or the San Juan River near Bloomfield
  - B. Water will be hauled by truck over existing roads
  - C. No water wells are planned
- 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

No construction materials are necessary

7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL

(1,2,3,4,5) Cuttings, drilling fluids and produced water will be contained in the reserve pit. Any oil produced will be put into tanks. A portable toilet will be used during drilling and completion operations. Garbage and other waste material will be placed in a deep trash pit and buried.

- (6) Upon completion of operations the location will be policed up and all trash and garbage placed in the trash pit. The pit will then be covered to prevent scattering. The reserve pit will be fenced and allowed to dry. After drying it will be backfilled and recontoured to as near its original contour as possible.
- 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES

No camps or air strips are planned

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9. WELL SITE LAYOUT

See attached plat

10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION OF THE SURFACE

See 7. (6)

If drilling results in a dry hole or failure, the entire disturbed area including access road will be recontoured and reseeded as per BLM recommendations. The location rehabilitation will commence as soon as the pit has sufficiently dried to allow back-filling.

11. OTHER INFORMATION

The area is generally high desert type country. Erosion is excessive in the area due to lack of vegetative cover and erosive soils. Much erosion is evident along the Kutz Wash, especially along the west side. Vegetation is sparse, consisting of Juniper Trees, scrub sage, and assorted native grasses. Wildlife found in the area includes mule deer, coyotes, rabbits, and other small birds and rodents. The surface is public domain under the Administration of the Bureau of Land Management. Rabbit hunting and sight-seeing are the two possible surface use activities in the area. The N.A.P.I. Irrigation Canal runs through the general area. Kutz Wash is the closest natural stream. There are no occupied dwellings in the immediate vicinity. An Archaeological Inspection has been planned.

## 12. LESSEE'S OR OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVES

The below listed personnel will be responsible for assuring compliance with the approved surface use plan.

<u>Mr. T.C. Durham</u> <u>P.O. Box 977</u> Farmington, New Mexico 87401 Home: 505-325-7978 Office: 505-327-1639 Mobil: 505-325-1873 #539

<u>Mr. Harland Gould</u> <u>4804 Linda Lane</u> Farmington, New Mexico 87401 Home: 505-325-2235 Office: 505-334-6200 Mobil: 505-325-0474

<u>Mr. Bill Fiant</u> P.O. Box 3280 Casper, Wyoming 82602 Home: 307-265-2529 Office: 307-265-7331

13. CERTIFICATION

See attached

# CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drillsite and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by

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and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

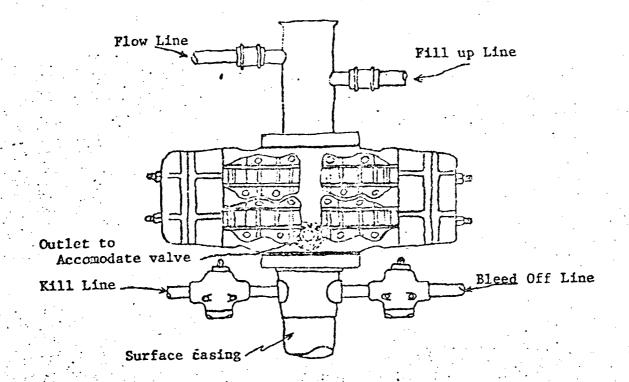
Aug 23, 1979

FIELD SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR Name and Title

RESERVES GROUP, INC.

Date

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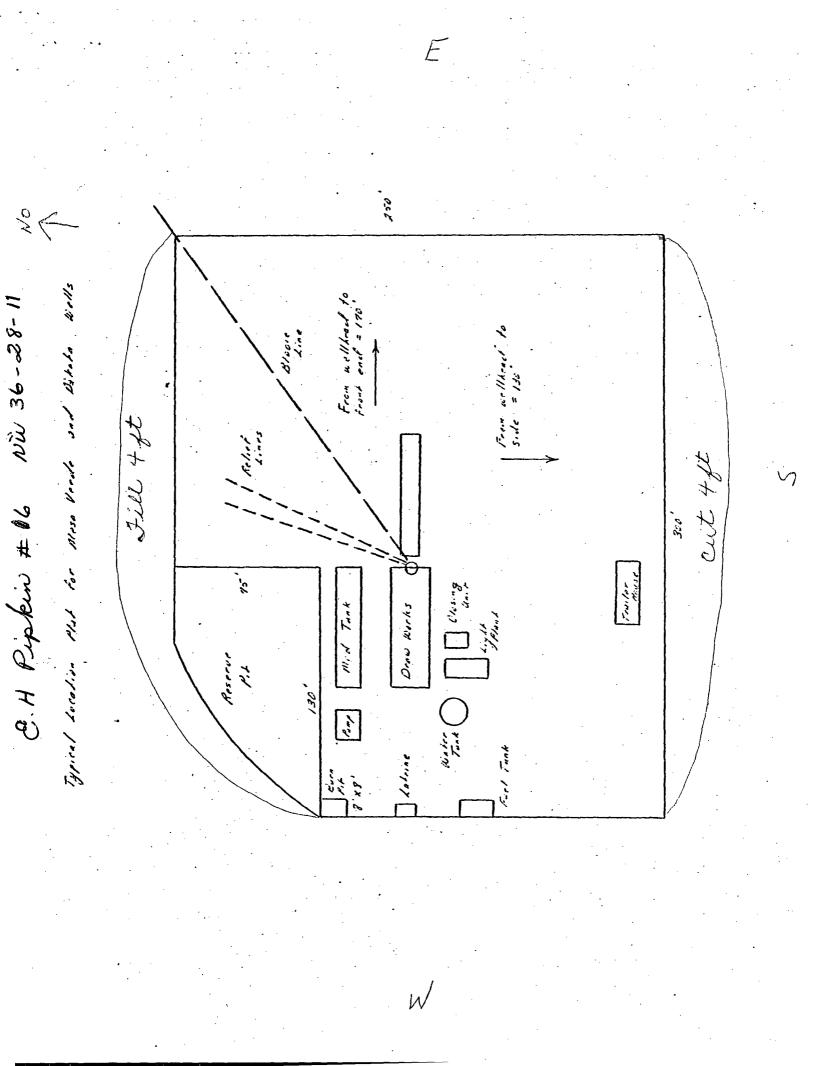


Blowout preventer is Shaffer double hydraulic equipped with drill pipe rams in the top and blind rams in the bottom.

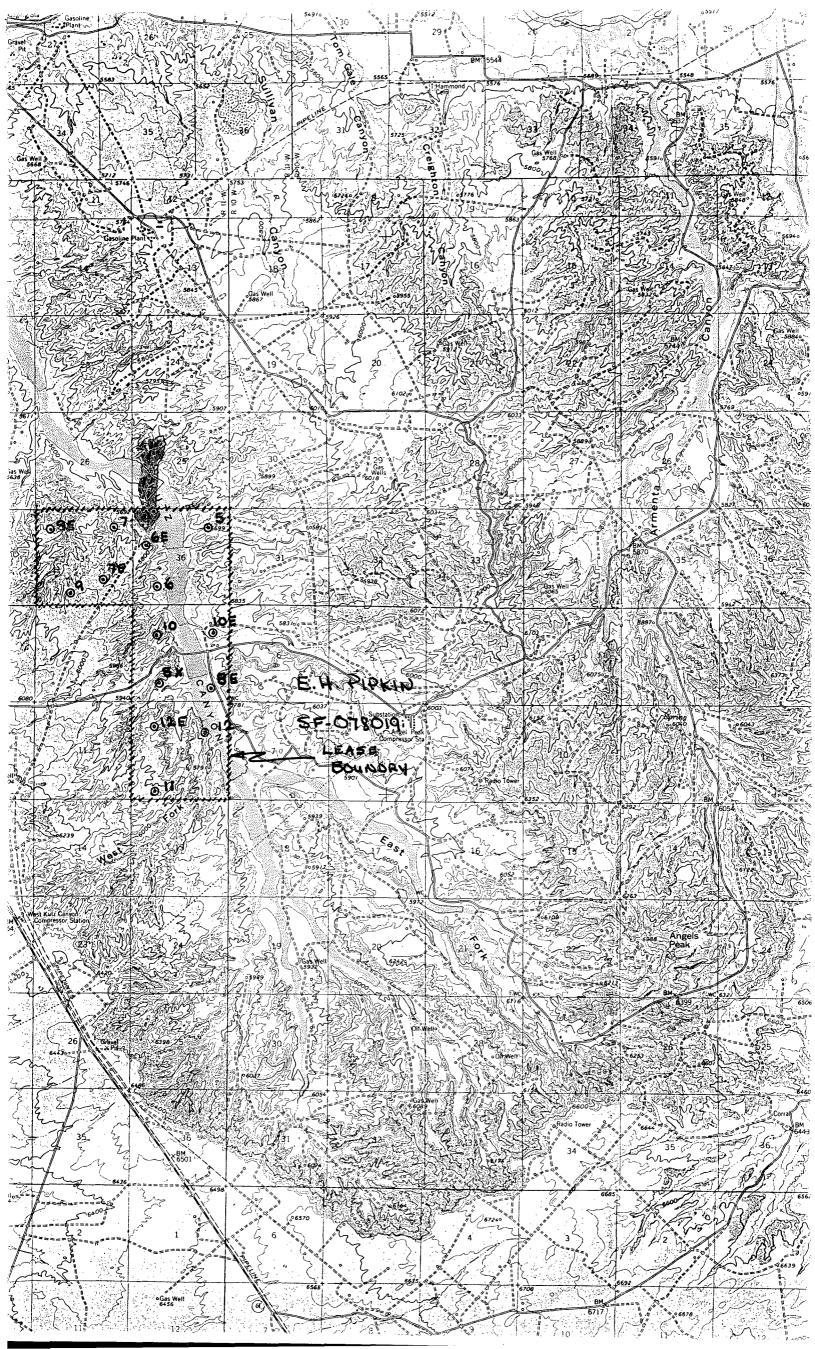
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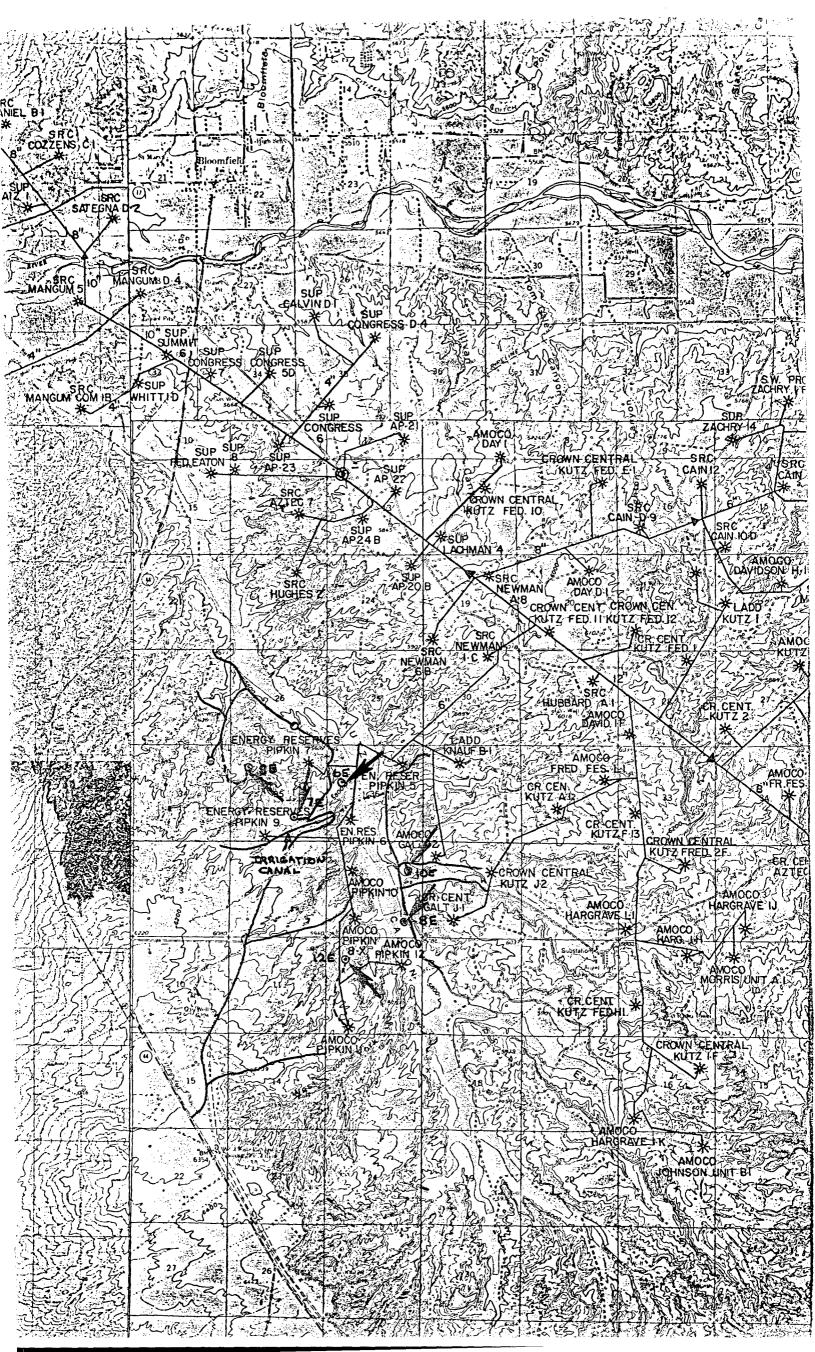
When choke manifold is used, it will be installed downstream from bleed off valve.

Kill line or bleed off line may be installed at flanged opening in blowout preventer.



Well Name E. T. Pipkin # 16 E Location NW 36 - 28 - 11 ••• Formation Dakota We, the undersigned, have inspected this location and road. Date U. S. Forest Service 2 6. Dabney Ford Archaeologist Bureau of Indian Affairs Representative Date Bureau of Land Management Representative Date B. Nr. U. S. Geological Survey Repro sentative Seed Mixture: Brown Equipment Color: Road and Row: (Same) or (Separate) Remarks: • .







# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

September 13, 1979

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501 (505) 827-2434

BRUCE KING GOVERNOR LARRY KEHOE

> Energy Reserves Group P. O. Box 3280

Casper, Wyoming 82601

Re:

э:	Application for Non-Standard
	Location: E. H. Pipkin No. 6-E
	2250' FNL and 645' FWL of Sec. 36,
	T-27N-R-11W, San Juan County

We may not process the subject application for non-standard location until the required information or plats checked below (is) (are) submitted.

A plat must be submitted clearly showing the ownership of the offsetting leases.

A statement must be submitted that offset owners have been notified of the application by certified mail.

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A plat must be submitted fully identifying the topography necessitating the non-standard location.

Other: The lease ownership plat submitted appears to show Amoco as an offset operator to the south. Amoco was V not notified of the application.

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R. L. STAMETS Technical Support Chief