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May 21, 1980

Director
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Gentlemen:

Coronado Exploration Corporation's application for administrative approval of an unorthodox location for well No. 2 Carthel Federal to be located 2030 feet from the north line and 2080 feet from the east line of Section 5, T.23 S., R.29 E., Eddy County, New Mexico is attached.

All operators offsetting the spacing unit for this well have been notified by certified mail of this application. A list of the offset operators is attached.

Your favorable consideration of this application will be appreciated.

Yours very troly,

James F. O'Briant

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Attachments:

1. List of offset operators. (3)

2. Application (3)

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LIST OF OPERATORS

OFFSETTING

EAST HALF SEC. 10, T.23 S., R.29 E. EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Amoco Production Company P. O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Hershel and Chester Carthel Route 2, Box 1 Lockney, Texas 79241

Richardson and Bass c/o Bass Enterprises Production Company P. O. Box 2760 Midland, Texas 79702

Richardson Oils, Inc. c/o Bass Enterprises Production Company P. O. Box 2760 Midland, Texas 79702

Dow Chemical Co.,USA Oil and Gas Division P. O. Box 22468 Houston, Texas 77001

Hayes Oil Company P. O. Box 2156 Midland, Texas 79702



APPLICATION TO NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

FOR

AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION

<u>FOR</u>

CORONADO EXPLORATION CORPORATION WELL NO. 2 CARTHEL FEDERAL

TO BE LOCATED

2030'FNL & 2080'FEL SEC.5, T.23 S., R.29 E. <u>EDDY COUNTY</u>, <u>NEW MEXICO</u>



APPLICATION:

For administrative approval of an unorthodox location, because of topographical conditions, for Coronado Exploration Corporation's well No. 2 Carthel Federal to be located 2030 feet from the north line and 2080 feet from the east line of Section 5, T.23 S., R.29 E., Eddy County, New Mexico. The well is a proposed 13,600 foot Morrow test on Federal oil and gas lease NM 0556291 with the east half of Section 5 to be dedicated to the well.

REASONS FOR REQUEST:

There is not sufficient room for drilling equipment at a regular location 1980 feet from the north and east lines of Section 5 because of large gullies north and east of the well location.

Exhibit "A" is a plat showing the well location with respect to roads in the area and the railroad. This plat also shows the spacing unit to be dedicated to the well and ownership of offsetting leases.

Exhibit "B" is a portion of a topographic map (Carlsbad Quadrangle) showing Section 5, T.23 S., R.29 E.

Exhibit "C" shows the well pad and pit area with respect to the two major gullies in the area when the well location is staked at a regular location 1980 feet from the north and east lines of Section 5. Moving the well location south merely moves the well site closer to the east gully.

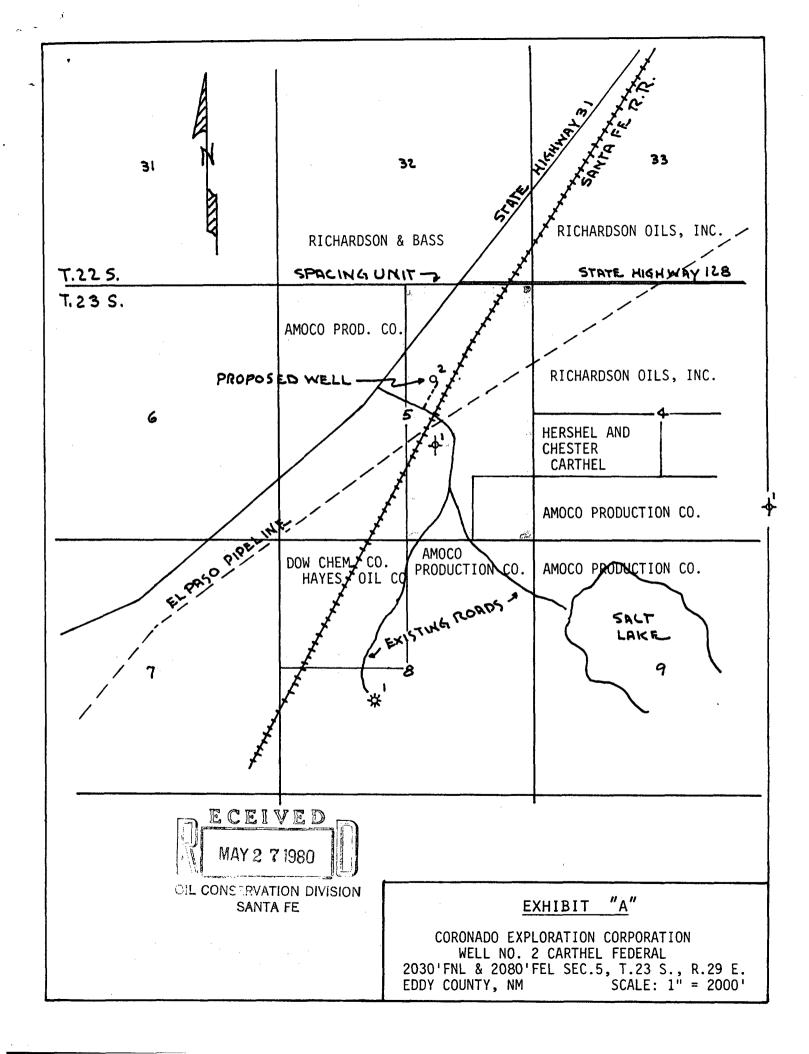
Ground surface in the immediate area of the proposed well site is relatively level with a gentle slope southeast toward the railroad. Top soil is unconsolidated and readily susceptible to erosion. The gully north of the well site is 5 to 6 feet deep and 8 to 10 feet wide at the top. The gully on the east is 2 to 3 feet deep and 30 to 35 feet wide.

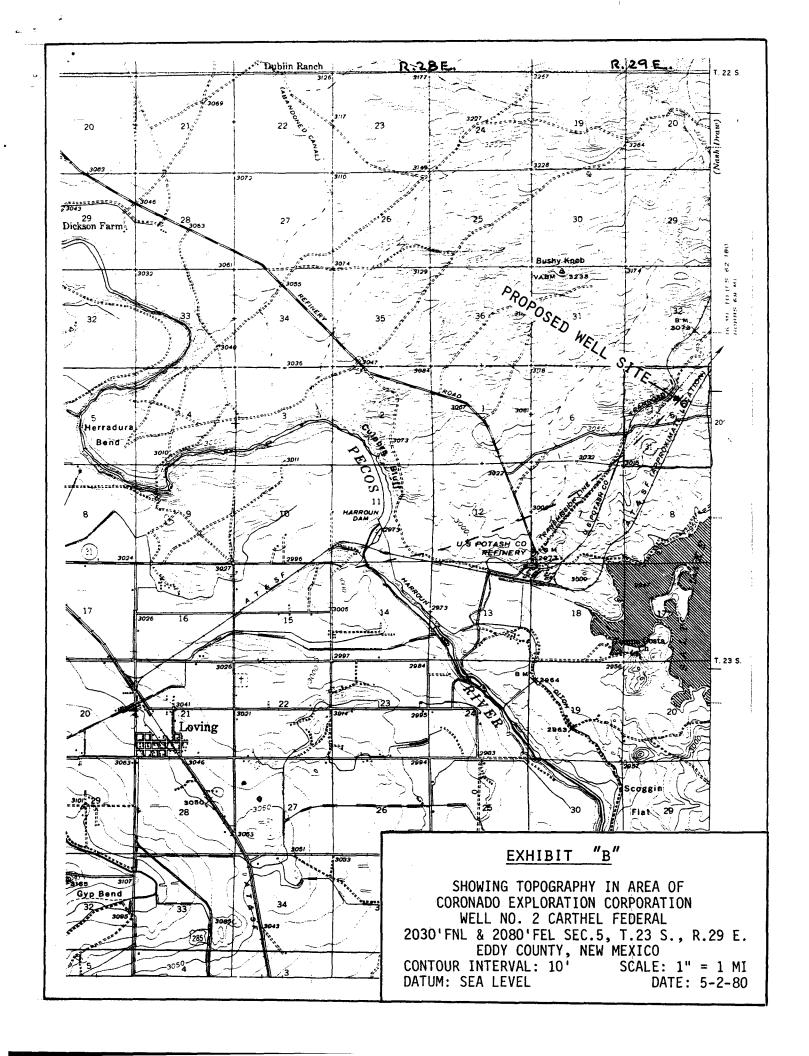
In order to avoid the gullies and have sufficient room for drilling equipment, it is proposed to make the location 2030 feet from the north line and 2080 feet from the east line of Section 5 and to rotate the rig layout 45 degrees counter-clockwise as shown in Exhibit "D".

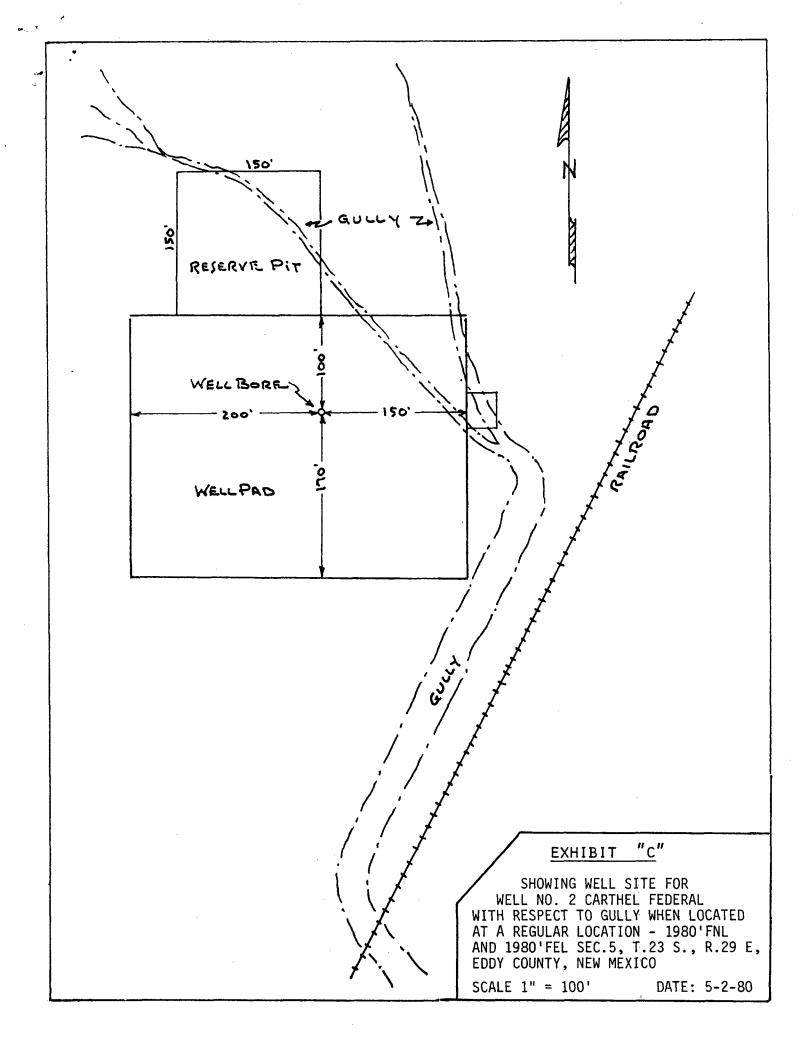
In view of the above, Coronado Exploration Corporation respectfully requests exception to Section B of Rule 104 to permit drilling well No. 2 Carthel at an unorthodox location 2030 feet from the north line and 2080 feet from the east line of Section 5, T.23 S., R.29 E., Eddy County, New Mexico.

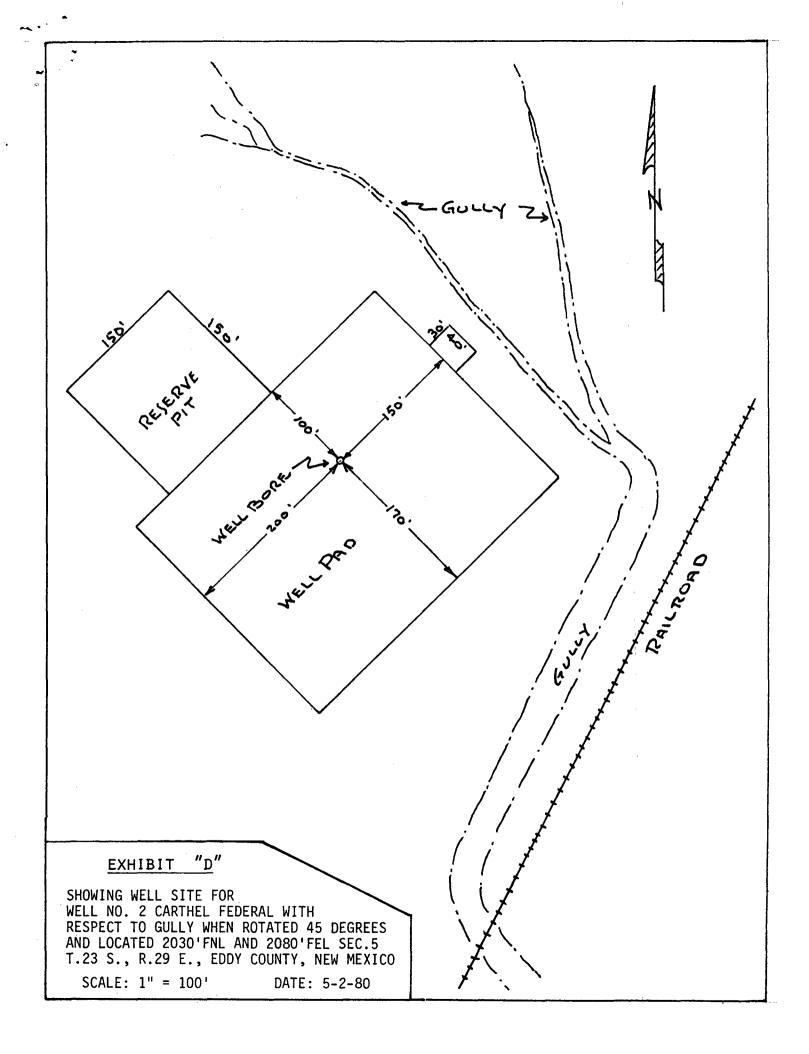
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We respectfully request that you waive objection to the unorthodox location and to so indicate by signing one copy of this letter and mailing it to:

Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Your favorable consideration of this request will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

James F. O'Briant

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Date: 5-26-80

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Houston Region 500 Jefferson Building Post Office Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

J. R. Barnett Regional Engineering Manager

June 17, 1980

File: JCA-986.51TX-2473

Re: Unorthodox Location

Carthel Federal Well No. 2 Eddy County, New Mexico

Joe D. Ramey - Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Coronado Exploration Corporation is filing an application for administrative approval of an unorthodox location for Well No. 2 Carthel Federal to be located 2030 feet from the north line and 2080 feet from the east line of Section 5, T-23-S, R-29-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. This unorthodox location is necessary due to topographical conditions.

Amoco Production Company has no objection to this unorthodox location.

Yours very truly,

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