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State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

RE:

Unorthodox Location, Administrative Approval Request

Gallegos Canyon Unit #511

NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 26 T29N R12W San Juan County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

BHP Petroleum respectfully requests that a non standard location be administratively approved to allow the GCU #511 well to be drilled 745' FNL and 1080' FWL to be completed in the Pictured Cliffs formation.

The non standard location is requested due to topographical reasons. A standard location is not possible due to residential dwellings, a state highway and power lines going to Amoco's existing well.

The subject location is immediately adjacent to the existing Amoco well location #145-E producing from the Dakota formation.

The operator of the offsetting proration unit outside of the unit boundary is Texaco, Inc.. Texaco, Inc. has been notified of this request via certified mail, return receipt requested.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chuck Williams

Field Services Administrator

Form 3160-3 (November 1983) (formerly 9-231C)

UNITED STATES (Other instructions)

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE*
(Other instructions on reverse side)

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Form approved. Budget Bureau No. 1004-0136 Expires August 31, 1985

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2. NAME OF OPERATOR							Gallegos Ca	nyon Unit		
BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc.						•	9. WELL NO.			
3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				·····		511			
5847 San Fel	ipe Suite #3600	Houston, Te	exas	77057-9	972		10. FIELD AND POOL, OR WILDCAT			
4. LOCATION OF WELL (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.*) At surface							W. Kutz Pictured Cliffs			
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14. DISTANCE IN MILES	AND DIRECTION FROM NEA	REST TOWN OR POST	OFFICE	•			12. COUNTY OR PARIS			
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5455' GR	•						Fall 1990			
23.		PROPOSED CASIN	IG AND	CEMENTIN	IG PROGRA	1				
SIZE OF HOLE	SIZE OF CASING	l	WEIGHT PER FOOT SETTING DEPTH			QUANTITY OF CEMENT				
8 3/4"	7"	20#		±130		50 s	x (57.5 cu. ft)			
6 1/4"	4 1/2"	10.5#		±159	5	201	sx (248 cu. f	t)		

24. SIGNED CHUCK WILLIAMS	TITLE Field Services Administrator DATE 8/17/90
(This space for Federal or State office use)	
PERMIT NO.	APPROVAL DATE
APPROVED BY CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:	TITLE DATE

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised 1-1-89

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DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brizos Rd., Aziec, NM 87410

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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BHP PETROLEUM (AMERICAS) INC. GALLEGOS CANYON UNIT NO. 511 745' FNL & 1080' FWL SECTION 26 T29N-R12W SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TEN POINT PROGRAM

- 1. Surface Formation: Nacimiento or valley fill
- 2 &3. Estimated Formation Tops:

<u>Formation</u>	qoT	Expected Production
Ojo Alamo Kirtland Fruitland Basal Fruitland Coal Pictured Cliffs	259 324 1105 1430 1445	Gas Gas
Total Depth	1595	-

Casing and Cementing Program: A string of 7" 20# K-55 casing 4. with ST&C couplings is to be set at ±130' in an 8 3/4" hole and cemented to the surface in a single stage with 50 sx Class 'H' cement (yield = 1.15 ft 3 /sx) containing 3 % CaCl₂ and $\frac{1}{4}$ #/sx celloflake. Slurry volume assumes a 100 percent excess over calculated hole volume. Centralizers will be run on the bottom two joints as long as boulders are not encountered while drilling the surface hole. If boulders are encountered while drilling the surface hole, no centralizers will be run as it has been BHP P(A)'s experience centralizers have a tendency to knock off boulders and hang up the casing while running in the hole. Minimum clearance between collars and hole is 1.094". Prior to drilling out shoe, casing and BOPE will be tested to a minimum of 2000 psi. Safety factors utilized in the design of this casing string were: Burst = 1.1, Collapse = 1.125, and Tension = 1.8 or 100,000# overpull whichever was greater.

A production string of $4\frac{1}{3}$ " 10.5# K-55 casing with ST&C couplings will be run from the surface to total depth in a $6\frac{1}{3}$ " hole. This string will be cemented to the surface with a minimum of 151 sx of 50-50 pozmix containing 2 % gel, 0.5 % fluid loss additive and $\frac{1}{3}$ #/sx celloflake (yield = 1.26 ft³/sx) followed by 50 sx of Class 'G' cement containing low fluid loss additives (yield = 1.15 ft³/sx). Slurry volume assumes a 50 percent excess over calculated hole volume. Cement

volume is subject to change after review and recalculation of hole volume from the open hole calipers. Centralizers will be spaced such that a minimum of two are located above and two are located below the Basal Fruitland Coal; and, if any Ojo Aloma is present in the open hole section at the top of the hole, a minimum of one centralizer will be run just below the base and another into the base of Ojo Alamo. Minimum clearance between collars and hole is 1.25". Prior to perforating the casing for any attempted completion, the casing will be tested to a minimum of 2500 psi. Safety factors utilized in the design of this casing string were: Burst = 1.1, Collapse = 1.125, and Tension = 1.8 or 100,000# overpull whichever was greater.

A chronological log following the completion of the cementing operations detailing the pump rate, pump pressure, slurry density, and slurry volume for each job will be submitted in a Sundry Notice.

5. Pressure Control Equipment: (See attached schematic diagrams) A minimum of a 2M BOPE well control system will be utilized. BOP's and choke manifold will be installed and pressure tested before drilling out under surface casing and then will be checked daily as to mechanical operation condition. Ram type preventors will be tested to 70 percent of the internal yield pressure of the casing. The annular preventor will be tested to 50 percent of its working pressure.

A full opening internal blowout preventor or drill pipe safety valve will be on the drilling floor at all times and will be capable of fitting all connections.

6. <u>Mud Program:</u> A fresh water Low Solids, Non-Dispersed mud system will be used to drill this well. Sufficient materials will be on location at all times to maintain mud properties and to control any unforeseen lost circulation problems or abnormal pressures in the Farmington Sands of the Kirtland Formation. All drilling fluids will be contained in a steel pit. At the completion of drilling, the drilling fluid will be hauled off to be used for another well. The remaining accumulation of solids in the pit will be dumped into a small earthen pit beside the steel pit. As soon as this pit dries up, it will be covered up.

Mud program summary is as follows:

Interval	Mud Weight	Viscosity		
<u>(feet)</u>	(#/gal)	<u>(sec/qt)</u>		
0 - 1000	8.4 or less	30 - 38		
1000 - TD	9.3 or less	40 - 55		

- 7. <u>Auxiliary Equipment:</u>
 An upper Kelly Cock will be utilized. At a minimum, a flow sensor will be installed in the system and the mud volume
- 8. <u>Logging Program:</u> SP-DIL and GR-FDC-CNL logs will be run from TD to surface casing shoe.

Coring Program: No cores are planned.

constantly be visually monitored.

Testing Program: No tests are planned.

<u>stimulation Program:</u> Perf the Basal Fruitland Coal with 2 JSPF and frac with 50,000 gals of either a 70 quality nitrogen foam or a crosslinked-gelled water containing a minimum of 50,000 lbs of 20-40 mesh sand.

9. <u>Abnormal Pressure:</u> Although not expected, abnormal pressures are possible in the Farmington Sands of the Kirtland Formation.

Estimated Bottom Hole Pressure: 400 psi.

10. <u>Anticipated Starting Date:</u> As soon as all required approvals are received.

<u>Duration of Operation:</u> It is anticipated a total of 4 days will be required for drilling operations and 5 days for completion operations.

