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Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-2949

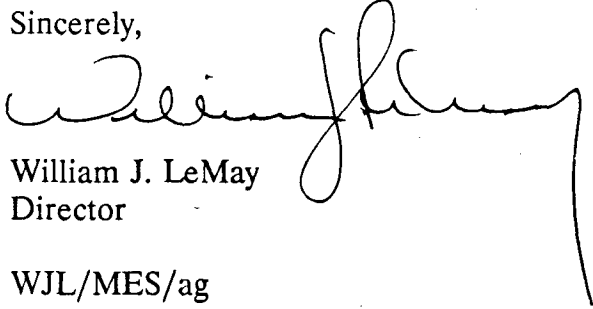
Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application dated September 17, 1990 for a non-standard Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for your existing Huerfanito Unit Well No. 23 which was drilled in 1955 and completed in the Ballard Pictured Cliffs Pool at a standard gas well location 1042 feet from the North line and 1516 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 4, Township 26 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

It is my understanding that the Pictured Cliffs zone will be properly plugged back and said well will be recompleted to the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool, which pursuant to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, is unorthodox. Further, Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4 and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of said Section 4 shall be dedicated to the well forming a standard 321.44-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of said Division Order No. R-8768, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,


William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
US Bureau of Land Management - Farmington