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August 19, 1993

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Yates Petroleum Corporation respectfully requests your administrative approval of an unorthodox location for recompletion to the Wolfcamp formation as authorized by New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Rule 104-F-(1) in the following well:

Hanlad AKZ State #1 Unit M, Sec 13-T8S-R27E Chaves County, New Mexico

The subject well was originally approved as an unorthodox gas well in the Pennsylvanian formation by NMOCD Order No. R-7065.

We are sending a copy of this application to each direct offset operator to fulfill the requirement of notification.

Should you need additional information, please call me at (505)748-1471.

Sincerely,

Darrick Stallings Petroleum Engineer

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Enclosures

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

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O. C. D. ARTESIA, OFFICE

CASE NO. 7654 Order No. R-7065

APPLICATION OF RAULT PETROLEUM CORPORATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on August 18, 1982, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 24th day of August, 1982, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Rault Petroleum Corporation, seeks approval of an unorthodox Pennsylvanian gas well location 600 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 8 South, Range 7 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (3) That said well was originally projected to the Abo formation at a standard location, but on being non-productive in said formation, was deepened to the Pennsylvanian formation, wherein commercial production was encountered.
- (4) That the S/2 of said Section 13 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

(6) That approval of the subject application will affort the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That the application of Rault Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location for the Pennsylvanian formation is hereby approved for a well located at a point 600 feet from the South line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 13, Township 8 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the S/2 of said Section 13 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

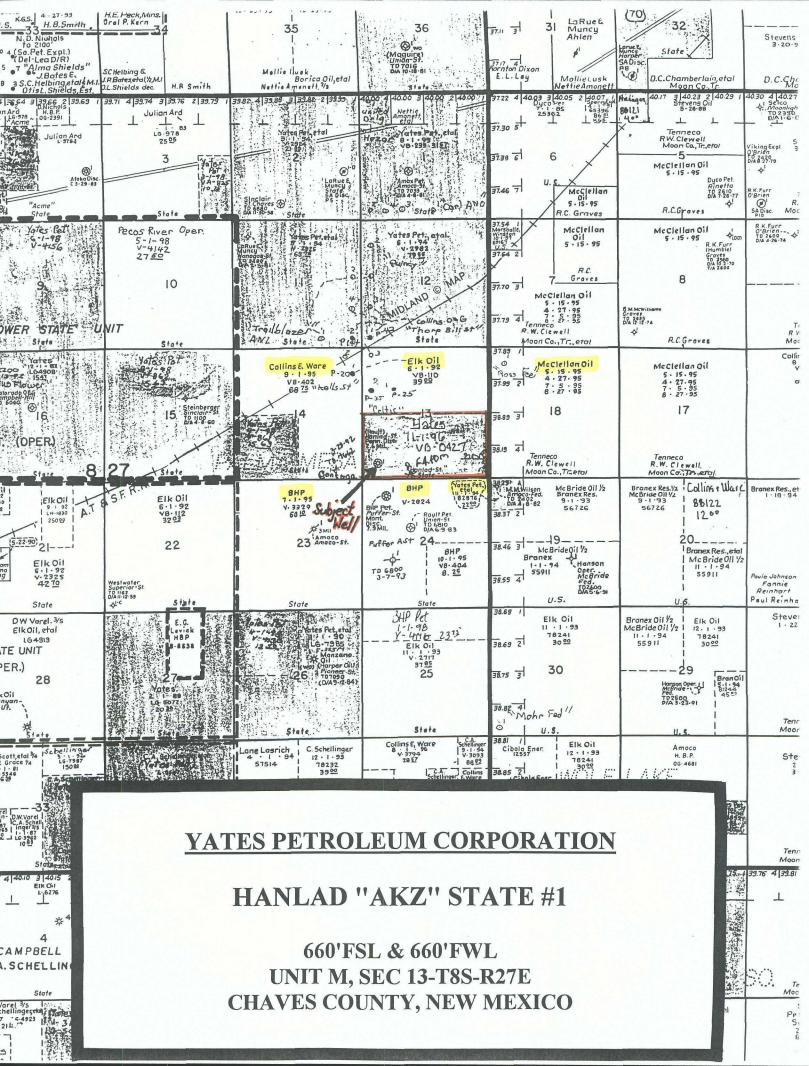
DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DAVISION

JOE D. RAMEY,

Director

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HANLAD AKZ STATE #1 LIST OF OFFSET OPERATORS

- 1) BHP Petroleum 6 Desta Dr. #3200 Midland, TX 79701
- 2) Collins & Ware Inc.303 W. Wall St. #2200Midland, TX 79701
- 3) Elk Oil Co. P.O. Box 310 Roswell, NM 88202
- 4) McClellan Oil P.O. Drawer 730 Roswell, NM 88201

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July 20, 1993

POST OFFICE BOX 2088 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504 (505) 827-5800

Yates Petroleum Corporation 105 South Fourth Street Artesia, NM 88210

Attention: Darrick Stallings

RE: Hanlad AKZ State Well No. 1

Dear Mr. Stallings:

Your application dated June 29, 1993 for an unorthodox Wolfcamp location for the subject well in Chaves or Eddy County, New Mexico (18S-27E is in Eddy County), cannot be approved at this time due to insufficient information.

Please provide all **applicable** information and supporting data pursuant to Division General Rule 104.F (or appropriate Special Pool Rules) and Division Memorandum 1-90 (see copy attached.)

Should you have any questions concerning these rules, requirements and/or procedures after you have reviewed them, please contact me at (505) 827-5811.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner

Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

MES/amg

cc: Larry Van Ryan, OCD Chief Engineer - Santa Fe

William J. LeMay, OCD Director - Santa Fe

OCD - Artesia



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No. 1-90

MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Operators

FROM:

William J. LeMay, Director (رئا

SUBJECT:

Administrative Applications for Unorthodox Locations

DATE:

March 21, 1990

Division Memorandum No. 3-89, dated March 24, 1989, advised the industry that the OCD would no longer automatically approve unopposed unorthodox location applications. Unorthodox locations can be approved administratively in accordance with the Rules and Regulations or applicable special pool rules if surface conditions truly prevent the use of a legal location and if directional drilling to a legal location is not feasible.

Topographic conditions which will be considered to justify an unorthodox location include such traditional factors as terrain features (steep slopes, arroyos, etc.) which make drilling impractical. In addition, approval may be given to avoid archeological sites which may not be disturbed without substantial mitigation, incompatible surface uses such as buildings, recreation areas, etc. Applications should fully document the reason an unorthodox location is required.

The attached guidelines state the minimum information which should be submitted with applications for administrative approval of unorthodox locations. Failure to provide the necessary information will probably result in processing delays.

If the surface of the proration unit or proposed drill site is controlled by a Federal Surface Management Agency, a copy of the application must be sent to the appropriate agency office.

If there are legal locations within the proration unit which are drillable, but the operator choses not to drill those locations for geological reasons the application cannot be approved administratively and a hearing will be required.

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

SUBMITTAL GUIDELINES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF NON-STANDARD LOCATION APPLICATIONS

- I. If the well is located on Federal or Indian Lands, the Federal Surface Management Agency must be notified and an on-site inspection conducted prior to filing the application. If an Application for Permit to drill or a Notice of Staking has been prepared, a copy must be submitted.
- II. Completed C-102 showing the well location, proration unit, leases within the unit and other required information.
- III. Land plat showing offset operators and working interest owners and any offsetting wells producing from the same pool or formation.
 - A. This information may be shown on the topo map if it does not impair the readability of the map.
 - B. The operator should certify that the information is current and correct.
- IV. Original or clear copy of topographic map, preferably 7.5 minute quad, showing contours and other mapped features impacting the location, with the following information marked thereon (In order to be able to adequately show all of the necessary surface conditions it may be necessary to enlarge the relevant portion of the topo map to provide room for detail):
 - A. The proposed well location and proration unit;
 - B. An outline of the orthodox drilling windows as provided in the applicable rules for the subject application;
 - C. The location of any wells to any formation within the area of the proration unit and a statement as to whether an existing pad can be used to drill the proposed well;
- V. An enlargement of the topo map showing the subject area with the applicable additional information:
 - A. Terrain features not shown on the map which make an orthodox location unusable;
 - B. Proposed access roads and pipelines if they affect the location selection:
 - C. The location of any surface uses which prevent use of a legal location;

- D. The location of any archeological sites identified in the archeological survey;
- E. The location and nature of any other surface conditions which prevent the use of an orthodox location.
- VI. If archeological sites are a reason for the unorthodox location request, a copy of the archeological survey, or a summary, identifing sites which cannot be disturbed or which must have any disturbance mitigated. In addition, the location of such areas should be marked on the enlarged topo so they can be clearly identified.
- VII. A narrative report of any on-site inspection of the potential locations. If such on-site has resulted in elimination of legal locations due to surface conditions, such information should also be noted on the enlarged topo.
- VIII. A statement of why directional drilling to reach a legal bottom-hole location is not feasible.
- IX. An affidavit that notice has been sent to all parties entitled thereto, under the Divisions Rules and Regulations with return receipt cards showing date of receipt of notice.



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June 29, 1993

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