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Attention: Kevin H. McCord

March 3, 1994

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Administrative Order NSL-3359

Dear Mr. McCord:

Reference is made to your application dated February 8, 1994, for a non-standard Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for your existing Empire Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-07427) which was drilled in 1956 and completed in the Fulcher Kutz-Pictured Cliffs Pool at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 16, Township 28 North, Range 10 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, as amended, is unorthodox. Further, the S/2 of said Section 16 shall be dedicated to the well forming a standard 320-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, as amended, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely, William J. Lel Director WJL/MES/amg

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec NM State Land Office - Santa Fe