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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc.
c/o Campbell, Carr, Berge & Sheridan, P.A.
P.O. Box 2208
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2208
Attention: William F. Carr

Administrative Order NSL-3782

Dear Mr. Carr:

Reference is made to your application dated February 26, 1997 on behalf of the operator, Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc. for an unorthodox oil well location for the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool, the Tubb Oil and Gas Pool, and the South Brunson-Drinkard Abo Pool for the proposed A. H. Blinebry Federal NCT-1 Well No. 49. Said well to be drilled 2630 feet from the North line and 160 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 20, Township 22 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. It is our understanding that this well is to be a multiple completion in all three zones.

Said well is to be included in the existing standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the SW/4 NW/4 of said Section 20, which is currently dedicated in the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool, the Tubb Oil and Gas Pool, and the South Brunson-Drinkard Abo Pool to Texaco's A. H. Blinebry Federal NCT-1 Well No. 20 (API No. 30-025-20926), located at a standard oil well location 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said Section 20.

By authority granted me under the provisions of **Rule 2(d)** of the "*General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Tubb Oil and Gas Pool*", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, and **Rule 104.F(2)** of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division"), revised by Division Order No. R-10533, issued by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case 11,351 on January 18, 1996., the above-described unorthodox oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

William J. LeMay
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad