



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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April 13, 1998

Fasken Oil & Ranch, Ltd.
303 West Wall Avenue - Suite 1900
Midland, Texas 79701-1777
Attention: Tommy E. Taylor
Drilling and Production Engineer

Administrative Order NSL-4001

Dear Mr. Taylor:

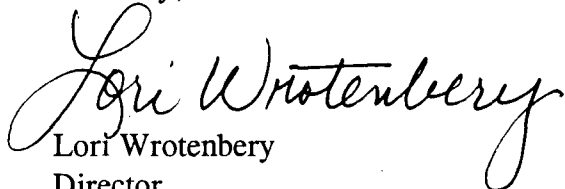
Reference is made to your application dated April 13, 1998 for an unorthodox Strawn gas well location for the proposed El Paso Federal Well No. 9 to be drilled 1980 feet from the South line and 1350 feet from the East line (Lot 34/Unit R) of irregular Section 2, Township 21 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Undesignated West Burton Flat-Morrow Gas Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Lots 25, 26, 31, 32, 33, 34, 39, and 40 of said irregular Section 2, being a standard 321.01-acre "stand-up" gas spacing and proration unit for said pool, are to be dedicated to said well.

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Rule 104.F of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division General Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox gas well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,


Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad