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[3] **INFORMATION / DATA SUBMITTED IS COMPLETE** - Statement of Understanding

I hereby certify that I, or personnel under my supervision, have read and complied with all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division. Further, I assert that the attached application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and where applicable, verify that all interest (WI, RI, ORRI) is common. I understand that any omission of data, information or notification is cause to have the application package returned with no action taken.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with supervisory capacity.

orconan Richard P. Corcoran District Landman 2 - 10 - 03Print or Type Name Signature Date



New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Attn: Michael E. Stogner 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX LOCATION JICARILLA 95 #6C 660' FSL & 2,500' FEL SECTION 36-T27N-R3W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO WILDCAT MANCOS

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Energen Resources Corporation (Energen) hereby requests Administrative Approval for an Unorthodox Location of its proposed Jicarilla 95 #6C Mesaverde well under the provisions of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Wildcat Mancos Rule 104.

The subject well is located 660' FSL & 2,500' FEL of Section 36-T27N-R3W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico and is dedicated to a standard 320 acre gas unit consisting of the S/2 of said Section 36, for the Blanco Mesaverde gas pool.

The primary objective for the subject well is the Mesaverde formation and consequently its location was determined based on the most favorable geologic environment for the Mesaverde. Our interpretation indicates the further West (in the SE/4) we moved the thicker the pay zone and better the reservoir quality and consequently located our well as far West in the SE/4 as legally possible. (see map enclosed)

During our development of the Mesaverde in this area which has consisted of 30 wells over the last three years, eight wells were drilled through the Mancos, looking for appropriate candidates to test the Mancos formation. To date two wells were tested with marginal results.

Since the estimated additional reserves we anticipate may be recoverable from the Mancos formation will not justify drilling a well for these reserves alone; Energen Resources Corporation (Energen) now wishes to attempt a completion in the Mancos formation in our recently drilled Jicarilla 95 #6C well, under Rule 104. As rule 104 requires 660' set back from any outer boundary of the proposed quarter section our well is non-standard for the Mancos formation. Well logs have favorable shows to attempt a Mancos completion.

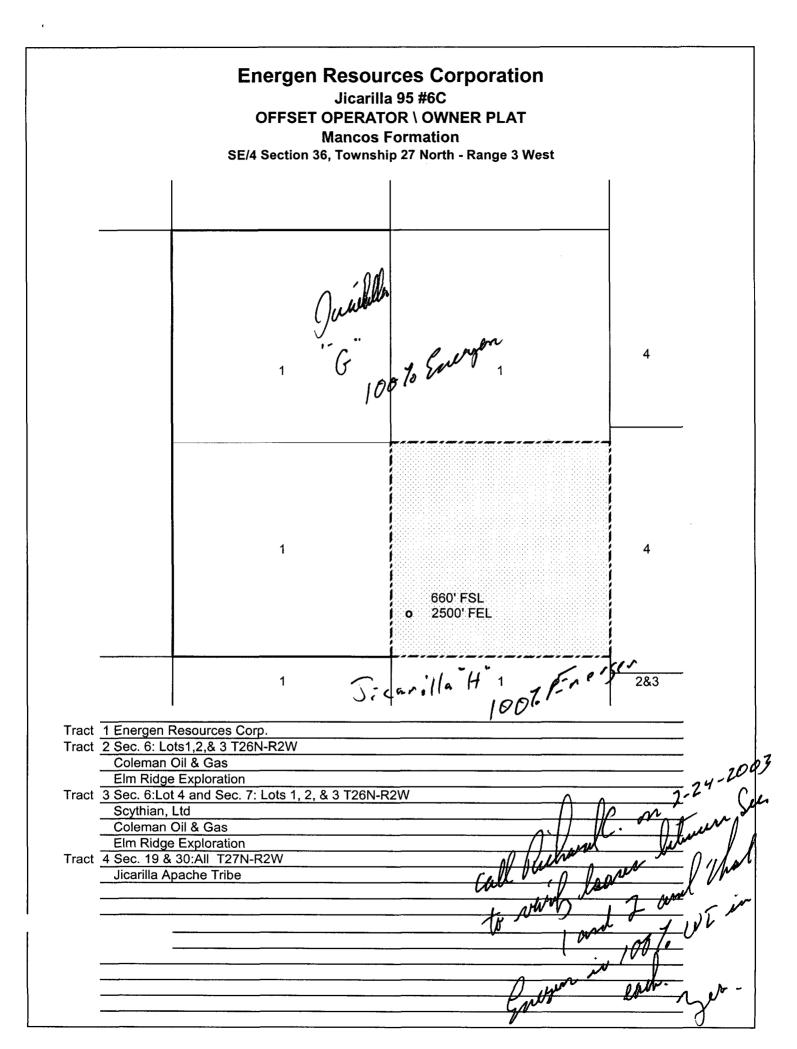
To allow us to test the Mancos formation and thereby possibly recover additional reserves a variance from Rule 104 would be necessary. For the forgoing reasons your favorable consideration of this application is requested.

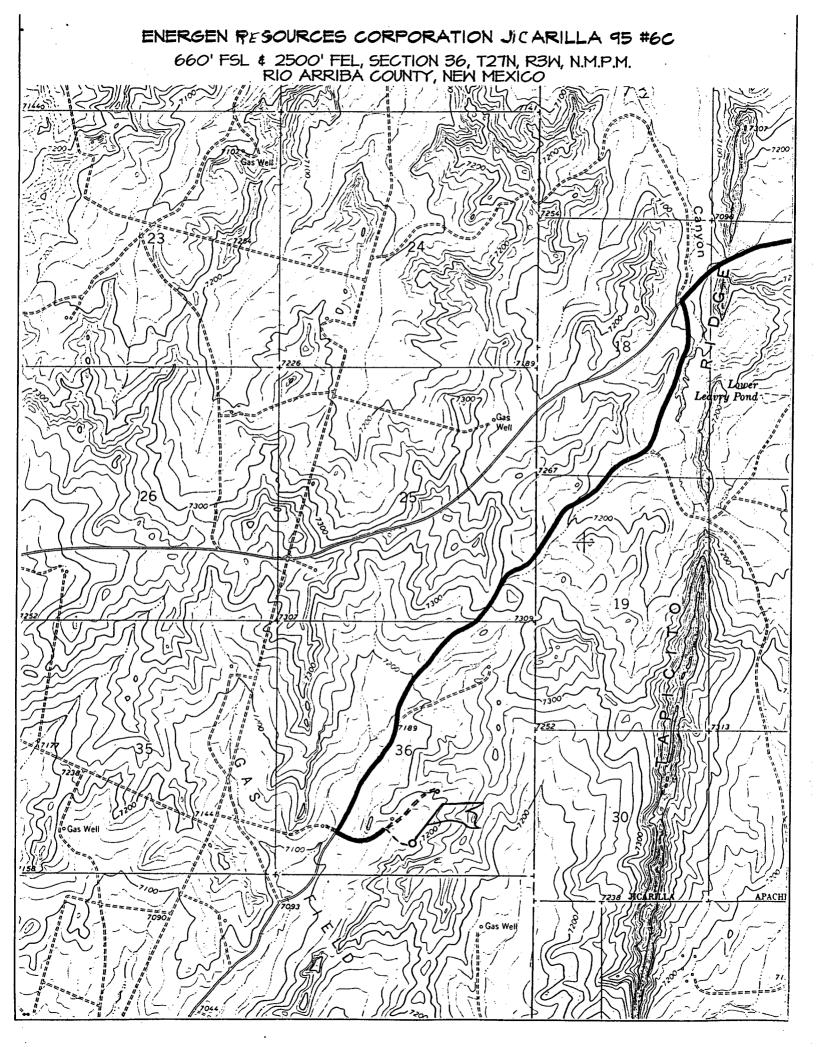
A copy of this Application is being submitted to all offset operator/owner by certified mail with a request that they furnish your office in Santa Fe a Waiver of Objection.

Attached is a well location plat showing dedicated acreage (C-102), a topographic plat of the area, a geologic plat and a map showing all offsetting owners.

Sincerely,

Richard Corcoran District Landman





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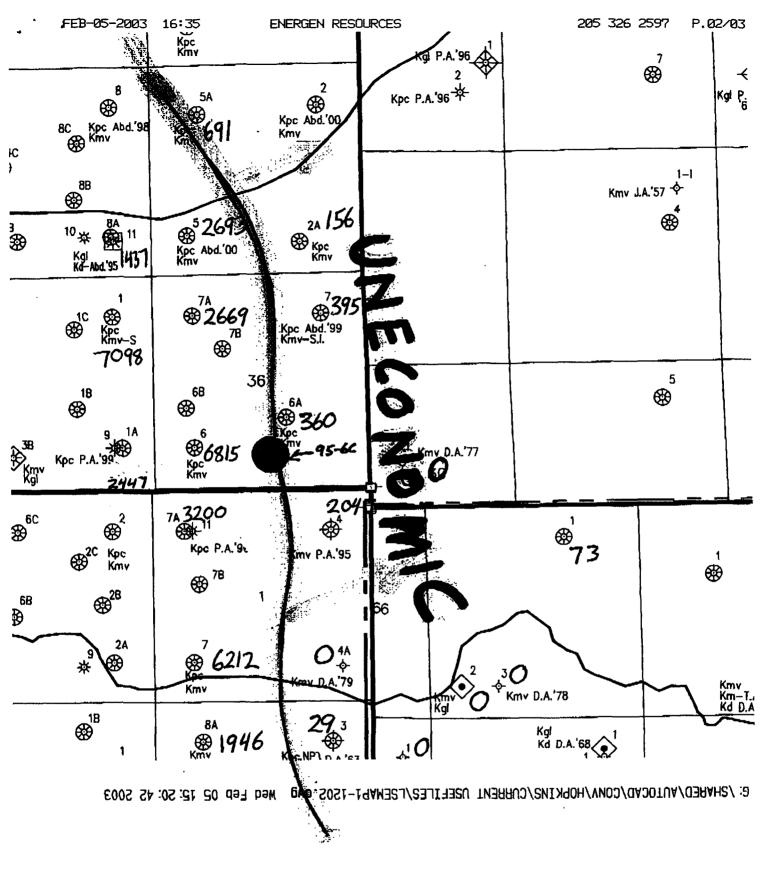
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The Jicarilla 95-6C (se 36, 27N-3W) has the Mesaverde as the primary objective. The location was based primarily on the Mesaverde geology. The well is also being drilled on down to the Mancos as an exploratory test, but the probability of success in the Mancos is very low.

The Mancos consists of tight sands and shales that only produce when naturally fractured. These natural fractures are frequently absent and impossible to predict. Because of this, it is uneconomic to drill wells if the Mancos is the only objective. Energen is attempting to economically find some recoverable reserves in the Mancos by piggy-backing this zone on a Mesaverde new drill.

The primary Mesaverde reservoir at this location is the Point Lookout formation. The Point Lookout sand thins dramatically as you go from west to east (see net pay map). In fact, the original well drilled in the se/4 had only 4' of pay and was uneconomic (see EUR map).

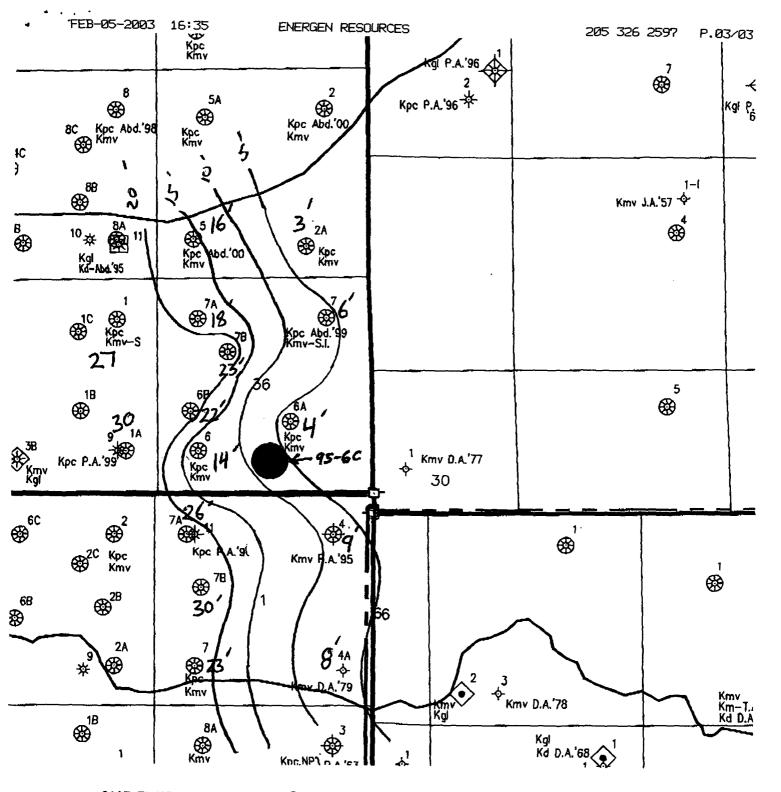
A well drilled at an orthodox location in the se/4 would not be economic in the Mesaverde. The unorthodox location for the 95-6C is as far west as possible in an attempt to establish commercial Mesaverde production. Even at this unorthodox location there is significant risk of drilling an uneconomic well.



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Coleman Oil & Gas Attn: Chris Coleman P. O. Drawer 3337 Farmington, NM 87499 FEB 1 3 2003 OIL CONSERVATION LIVISION

RE: ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX LOCATION JICARILLA 95 #6C WELL 660' FSL & 2,500' FEL SECTION 36-T27N-R3W RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Dear Chris:

Energen Resources Corporation has filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD), an application for the Administrative Approval of an Unorthodox Location for its Jicarilla 95 #6C well. A copy of the application has been attached for your review.

If you have no objection to this unorthodox location, please sign the three copies of the attached waiver, return one executed copy to the NMOCD at 1220 South Saint Frances Drive in Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, one copy to our office and retain one copy for your files.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

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Richard P. Corcoran District Landman

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<u>Coleman</u> $o(c \not b \not b \not a), \not a \land c$, hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for Unorthodox Location for Energen Resources Corporation's Jicarilla 95 #6C well.

Date: 2-12->] cc: OCD-Aztec office, BLM-Farmington office, Offset Operators



Elm Ridge Resources Attn: Doug Ensley 20 Road 5060 Bloomfield, NM 87413

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Date: By: < cc: OCD-Aztec office, BLM-Farmington office, Offset Operators



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Bill Richardson Governor Joanna Prukop **Cabinet Secretary**

March 6, 2003

Lori Wrotenbery Director **Oil Conservation Division**

Energen Resources Corporation 2198 Bloomfield Highway Farmington, New Mexico 87401

Attention: **Richard Corcoran**

Administrative application for a location exception for Energen Resources Corporation's proposed Re: Jicarilla "95" Well No.6-C to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 2500 feet from the East line (Unit P) of Section 36, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

This letter acknowledges your administrative application dated February 6, 2003 for the above described well to be drilled at an unorthodox location to the Mancos formation. The Division received your application on February 11, 2003, and assigned it NMOCD administrative application reference No. pKRV0-304252935. Please refer to this number in future correspondence with the Division.

My preliminary review indicates that the information provided in your application is not sufficient to process an administrative order at this time. This location is within one mile of the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool (pool code here) and is therefore subject to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Gavilan-Mancos Oil Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-7407, as amended (see copy attached), which rules require 640-acre spacing and proration units and for wells to be located no nearer than 790 feet to the outer boundary of the unit nor nearer than 330 feet to any governmental quarter-quarter section line or subdivision inner boundary.

Since the submitted information is insufficient to review, the application was ruled as incomplete on March 6, 2003. Please amend your application accordingly and submit by Friday, March 14, 2003.

The Division cannot proceed with your application until the required information is submitted. Upon receipt, the Division will continue to process your application. The additional information can be faxed to (505) 476-3471, or mailed to the Division in Santa Fe. If the necessary information is not submitted, your application will be returned to you.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me in Santa Fe at (505) 476-3465 or e-mail me at "mstogner@state.nm.us." Thank you.

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- cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec
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