



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
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Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company
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Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-4068

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on June 25, 1998 for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the *"Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool,"* as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, for Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company's ("Burlington") proposed San Juan "27-5" Unit Well No. 114-M to be drilled at an unorthodox "infill" gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools 1335 feet from the North line and 1130 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 17, Township 27 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Gas production from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool is to be included in an existing standard 320.41-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 2, 3, and 4, N/2 NW/4, SW/4 NW/4, and S/2 SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 17 which is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-5" Unit Well No. 3 (API No. 30-039-07038), located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the South and West lines (Unit M) of Section 17. Gas production from the Basin-Dakota Pool is to be included in an existing standard 311.82-acre lay-down gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 1 and 2, N/2 NE/4, SE/4 NE/4, N/2 NW/4, and SW/4 NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 17, which is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-5" Unit Well No. 114 (API No. 30-039-20238), located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the North line and 800 feet from the East line (Unit A) of Section 17.

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B of the Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox Basin-Dakota/Blanco-Mesaverde "infill" gas well location for the San Juan "27-5" Unit Well No. 114-M is hereby approved. All of the aforementioned wells and both spacing units will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington