



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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July 22, 1998

Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company
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Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-4098

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

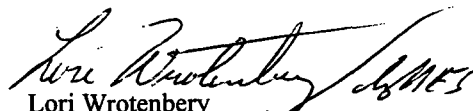
Reference is made to your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on July 14, 1998 for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool/Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, for Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company's ("Burlington") proposed San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 70-M to be drilled at an unorthodox infill gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools 1925 feet from the North line and 1040 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 4, Township 27 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Gas production attributed to the well from both pools is to be included in the existing standard 319.20-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 1 and 2, the S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 4. Blanco-Mesaverde gas production is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 18 (API No. 30-039-07171), located at a standard gas well location 1096 feet from the South line and 860 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 4. Basin-Dakota gas production is currently dedicated to Burlington's San Juan "27-4" Unit Well No. 70 (API No. 30-039-20719), located at a standard gas well location 1550 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 4.

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 "27-4" Unit Well No. 70-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