

Mid-Continent Region Exploration/Production

December 17, 1998

Conoco Inc. 10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W Midland, TX 79705-4500 (915) 686-5400

Mr. Michael Stogner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
2040 Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE: Application for Unorthodox Coal Location State "A" Gas Com #1E API # 30-045-25147 Section 36, T-29-N, R-11-W, E 1850' FNL & 800' FWL San Juan County, New Mexico DEC 2 2 1998

Dear Mr. Stogner,

State "A" Gas Com #1E is located in Section 36, T-29-N, R-11-W, San Juan County, NM. In addition to standard 790' set-back requirements, orthodox locations for 320 acre spaced, Basin Fruitland Coal Pool rules state that the wells be located in the NE/4 and/or SW/4 of any given section. The State "A" Gas Com #1E meets the pool set-back requirements but is situated in the NW/4 of Section 36; an orthodox location north half location would be in the NE/4.

In order to prevent economic waste by allowing access to Basin Fruitland Coal reserves in an existing wellbore, Conoco respectfully requests that the NW/4, unorthodox location be approved for completion in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool.

The offset operator plat shows that Burlington Resources, Chapparal, Cross Timbers, $Red\omega olf$, Taurus, Manana are the offset operators that could be affected by this unorthodox location. Please find enclosed evidence that they have been notified of this application.

An unorthodox location order is requested based on the reasons given in the preceding paragraphs. If there are further questions concerning this application please call me at (915) 686-5798.

Sincerely,

Kav Maddox

Regulatory Agent / Conoco, Inc.

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Cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

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RE: Unorthodox Location for Fruitland Coal Recompletion

Notification of Offset Operators:

Burlington Resources PO Box 4289 Farmington, NM 87499

Chapparal Oil & Gas PO Box 100 Aztec, NM 87410-0100

Taurus Exploration 2101 6th Avenue N Birmingham, AL 35203-2784

Manana Gas Inc 2520 Tramway Terrace CT NE Albuquercue, NM 87122-1317

Cross Timbers 6001 HWY 64 Farmington, NM 82401

Redwolf Production PO Box 5382 Farmington, NM 87499-5382

The above listed operators have been notified of this application – please see attached evidence.

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NEW MEXICOENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

August 20, 1999

Conoco, Inc. 10 Desta Drive – 100W Midland, Texas 79705-4500

Attention: Ka

Kay Maddox

Re: Administrative application of Conoco, Inc. dated August 1, 1999 to amend Division Administrative Order NSL-4197, dated January 11, 1999, by reorienting the dedicated acreage from a standard lay-down 320-acre unit comprising the N/2 of Section 36, Township 29 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico, to a standard lay-down 320-acre unit comprising the W/2 of Section 36

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Why is Conoco seeking this request? How will the Fruitland coal gas ultimately be developed in Section 36?

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc:

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

W. Thomas Kellahin, Legal Counsel for Conoco, Inc. - Santa Fe