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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



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 Apache
 N.B. Tweeken State #17
 30-015-38407

ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

Application Acronyms:

[NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]
 [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]
 [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]
 [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]
 [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]
 [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1] TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A]

- [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication
☒ NSL ☐ NSP ☐ SD

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

- [B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement
☐ DHC ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM

- [C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery
☐ WFX ☐ PMX ☐ SWD ☐ IPI ☐ EOR ☐ PPR

- [D] Other: Specify _____

[2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or ☐ Does Not Apply

- [A] ☒ Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
 [B] ☐ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
 [C] ☐ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
 [D] ☐ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
 [E] ☒ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
 [F] ☐ Waivers are Attached

[3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

David Catanach
 Print or Type Name

David Catanach
 Signature

Agent for Apache Corporation
 Title

4/21/11
 Date

drcatanach@netscape.com
 E-Mail Address

April 21, 2011

Hand Delivered

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Attention: Ms. Jami Bailey, CPG
Division Director

Re: Application for Unorthodox Well Location
~~N B Tween State No. 17~~
~~API No. (30-015-38407)~~
1070' FSL & 1650' FWL (Unit N)
Section 25, T-17 South, R-28 East, NMPM,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Pursuant to Division Rule 19.15.15.13, Apache Corporation ("Apache") respectfully requests administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for its proposed N B Tween State No. 17. This well will be drilled as a development oil well in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool (96830).

The proposed N B Tween State No. 17 will be dedicated to an existing standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 25. This unit is currently dedicated to the existing Apache N B Tween State No. 2 (API No. 30-015-35974) located 990 feet from the South line and 2460 feet from the West line, and the existing N B Tween State No. 7 (API No. 30-015-36627) located 330 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line.

The Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool is currently governed by Division Rule 19.19.15.9 which requires standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration units with wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the spacing unit.

The attached vicinity map shows that the proposed unorthodox well location is necessary in order to avoid an existing Chevron pipeline.

The affected offset acreage includes the NW/4 SW/4 and NE/4 SW/4 of Section 25, Township 17 South, Range 28 East. Both of these affected tracts are existing 40-acre spacing units in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool, and both are operated by Apache. Please note, however, that the working interest ownership between the SE/4 SW/4 and the two affected offset 40-acre tracts is not common. Consequently, Apache is providing notice

of this application to Chase Oil Corporation, the only other working interest owner in the affected offset tracts.

Attached is a Form C-102, vicinity map, a map showing the affected offset acreage, and proof of notice.

In summary, approval of the application will provide Apache Corporation the opportunity to recover additional oil and gas reserves from the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool underlying the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 25 that may otherwise not be recovered by the existing wells, thereby preventing waste, and will not violate correlative rights.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (505) 690-9453.

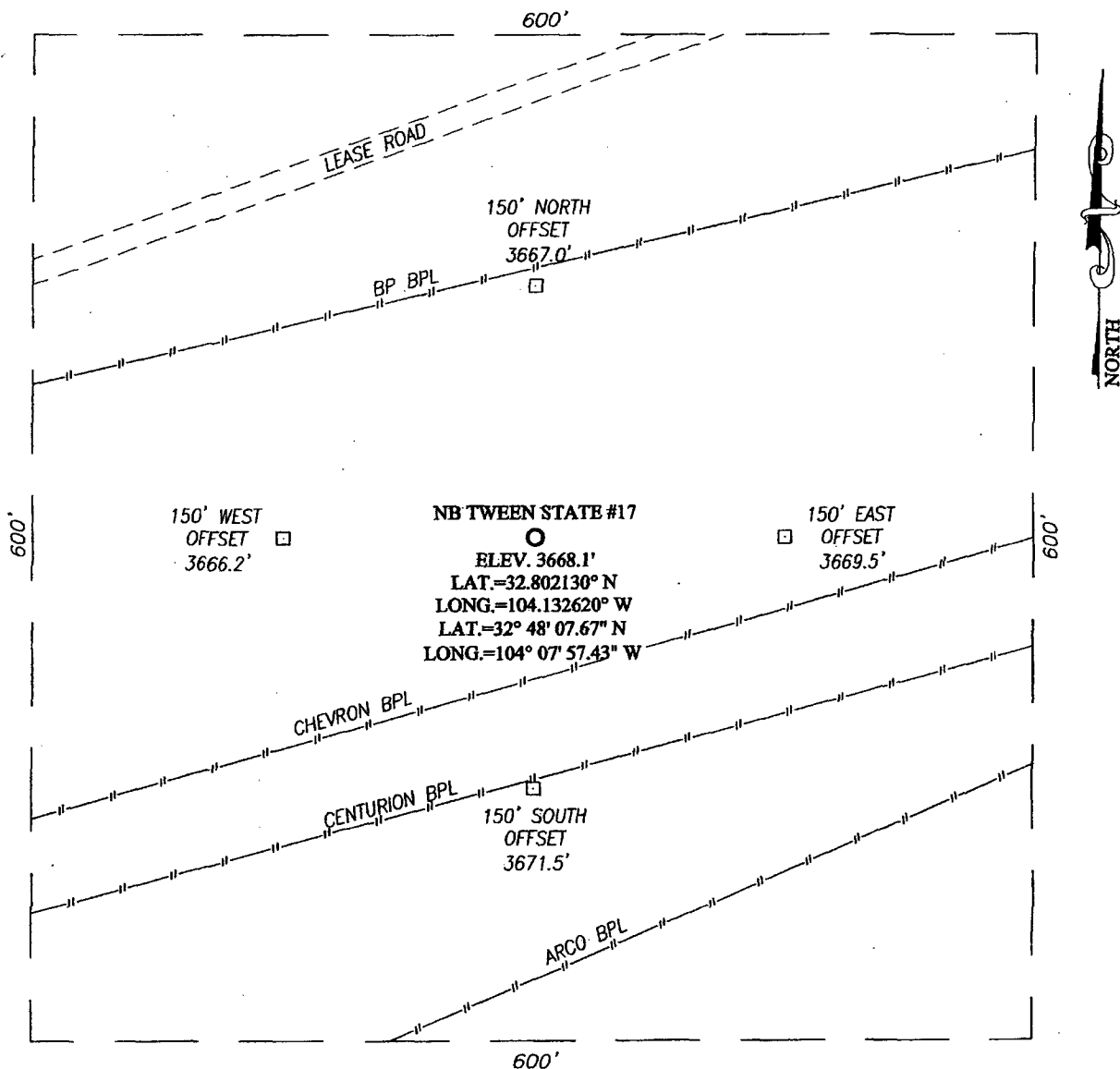
Sincerely,



David Catanach, Agent
Apache Corporation
6120 S. Yale, Suite 1500
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136

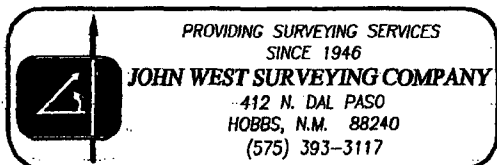
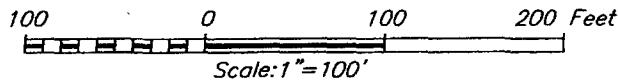
Xc: OCD-Artesia

SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. HWY. #82 (LOVINGTON HWY.) AND CO. RD. #209 (TURKEY TRACK RD.), GO EAST ON U.S. HWY. #82 APPROX. 1.1 MILES. TURN RIGHT AND GO SOUTHEAST APPROX. 300 FEET. TURN RIGHT AND GO SOUTHWEST APPROX. 0.15 MILES. THIS LOCATION STAKE IS APPROX. 250 FEET SOUTH OF LEASE ROAD.



APACHE CORPORATION

NB TWEEN STATE #17 WELL
 LOCATED 1070 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE
 AND 1650 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 25,
 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Survey Date: 12/20/10	Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets
W.O. Number: 10.11.1817	Dr By: DSS
Date: 12/28/10	10111817
	Scale: 1"=100'

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102
Revised July 16, 2010
Submit one copy to appropriate
District Office
☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-38407		Pool Code 96830	Pool Name Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool
Property Code 308723	Property Name N B Tween State		Well Number 017
OGRID No. 873	Operator Name Apache Corporation		Elevation 3668'

Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
N	25	17 South	28 East		1070'	South	1650'	West	Eddy

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres 40		Joint or Infill		Consolidate Code		Order No.			

No Allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the Division

				OPERATOR CERTIFICATION <i>I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottomhole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofor entered by the Division.</i>	
				Signature _____ Date _____	
				Printed Name _____	
				E-mail Address _____	
				SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION <i>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.</i>	
				Date of Survey _____	
				Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor: _____	
				Certificate Number _____	

1650'

N B Tween State 17

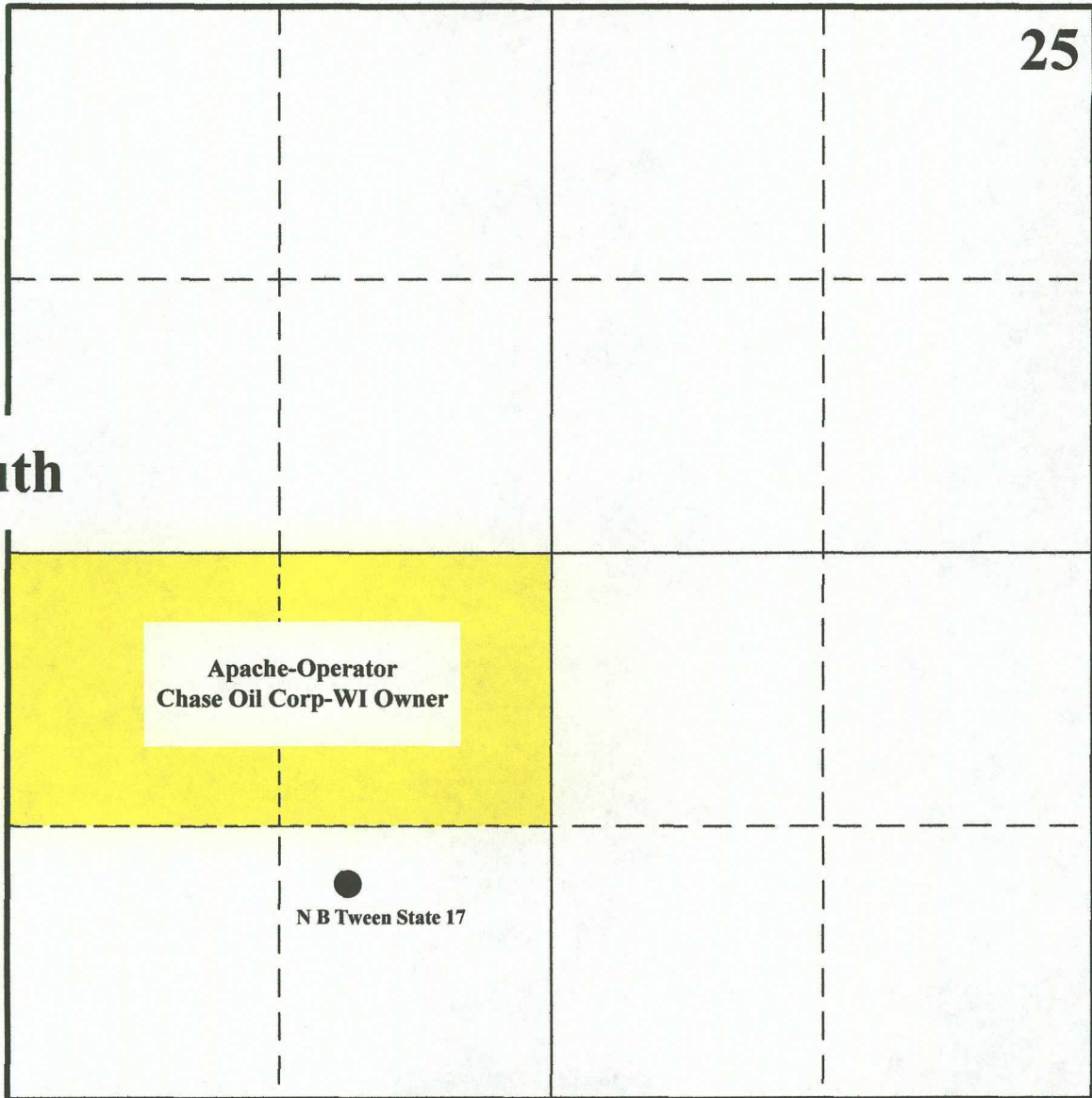
N B Tween State 2

N B Tween State 7

1070'

28 East

17 South



Affected Offset Acreage

Apache Corporation
Application for Non-Standard Well Location
N B Tween State No. 17 (API No. 30-015-38407)

April 21, 2011

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: Chase Oil Corporation
11352 Lovington Highway
Artesia, New Mexico 88210
Attn: Staci Sanders

Re: Apache Corporation
Unorthodox Well Location
N B Tween State No. 17
1070' FSL & 1650' FWL (Unit N)
Section 25, T-17 South, R-28 East, NMPM,
Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Sanders:

Enclosed please find a copy of the application filed by Apache Corporation for authorization to drill its N B Tween State No. 17 at an unorthodox oil well location in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool. The proposed unorthodox location is necessary in order to avoid an existing Chevron pipeline. The N B Tween State No. 17 will be dedicated to an existing 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the Artesia Glorieta-Yeso Pool comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 25.

As the owner of an interest that may be affected by the proposed unorthodox oil well location, you are being provided notice as per Division rules and regulations. Objections must be filed in writing at the Division's Santa Fe office within 20 days from the date this notice was sent to you. If no objection is received within twenty days after the filing of this application and proof of notice with the Division, the application may be approved.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (505) 690-9453.

Sincerely,



David Catanach
Agent-Apache Corporation
6120 S. Yale
Suite 1500
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136

Enclosure

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U.S. Postal Service		
CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT		
(Domestic Mail Only. No Insurance Coverage Provided)		
For delivery information visit our website at www.usps.com		
OFFICIAL USE		
Postage	\$ 1.08	0501
Certified Fee	\$2.85	05
Return Receipt Fee (Endorsement Required)	\$2.30	
Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Required)	\$0.00	
Total Postage & Fees	\$ 6.23	04/22/2011
Sent To <i>Chase Oil Corporation</i>		
Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. <i>11352 Livingston Highway</i>		
City, State, ZIP+4 <i>Artesia, New Mexico 88210</i>		
PS Form 3800, August 2006 See Reverse for Instructions		

