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May 23, 2011

Mr. James Bruce P.O. Box 1056 Santa Fe, NM 87504

Administrative Order NSL-6318-A

Re: Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Seldom Seen 15 Federal Well No. 3 API No. 30-015-38442 1850 feet FNL & 370 feet FEL Unit H, Section 15-25S-26E Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr Bruce:

This Order amends Administrative Order NSL-6318 due to a change in the proposed surface location of the subject well.

Reference is made to the following:

(a) your application (administrative application reference No. pTGW11-11544068) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on behalf of Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado (Cimarex) [OGRID 162683] on April 25, 2011, and

(b) the Division's records pertinent to this request, including the Division's records with respect to Administrative Order NSL-6318.

Cimarex has requested to drill the above-referenced well as a horizontal gas well in the Wolfcamp formation, at a location that will be unorthodox under Division Rule 16.14.B(2) [19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC]. The proposed surface location, point of penetration and terminus of the well are as follows:

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Surface Location:	1850 feet from the North line and 370 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 15, Township 25S, Range 26E, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico
Point of Penetration:	same as surface location
Terminus	1780 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line (Unit E) of said section

The N/2 of Section 15 will be dedicated to the proposed well to form a standard 320-acre wildcat gas spacing unit and project area in the Wolfcamp formation. This pool is governed by statewide Rule 15.10.B [19.15.15.10.B NMAC], which provides for 320-acre units, with wells located at least 660 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is unorthodox because a portion of the producing interval will be less than 660 feet from the eastern boundary of the project area, and therefore outside the producing area.

Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 [19.15.15.13 NMAC] and 4.12.A(2) [19.15.4.12.A(2) NMAC].

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location for engineering reasons, in order to penetrate the maximum amount of the target interval within the producing area. It is further understood that notice of this application to offsetting operators or owners is not required due to common ownership.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B [19.15.15.13.B NMAC], the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9 [19.15.5.9 NMAC].

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia United States Bureau of Land Management