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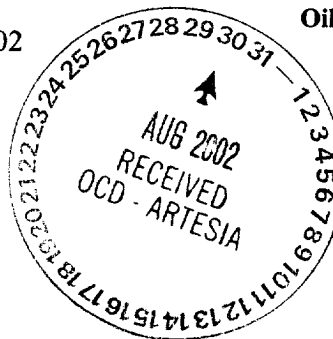
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Attention: Richard E. Foppiano

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Administrative Order NSL-4769

Dear Mr. Foppiano:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated August 25, 2001 that was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on August 1, 2002 (*application reference No. pKRV0-221725640*); and (ii) the records of the Division: all concerning your request for an exception to Division Rule 104.B (1), revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999, for the OXY Chopsticks Federal Well No. 2 (**API No. 30-015-31743**), to be completed in the Wolfcamp formation at an unorthodox oil well location 1010 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 24, Township 17 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The SE/4 SW/4 of Section 24 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for either the Undesignated Empire-Wolfcamp Pool (**22420**) or Undesignated Logan Draw-Wolfcamp Pool (**96960**).

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F, as revised.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), as revised, the above-described unorthodox Cisco oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia /
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Carlsbad