



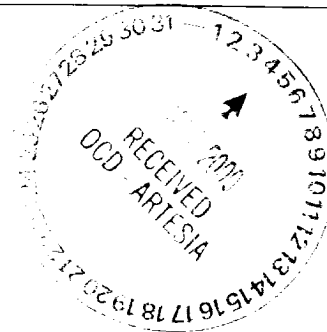
**NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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April 28, 2000

Mack Energy Corporation
P. O. Box 960
Artesia, New Mexico 88211-0960

Attention: Matt J. Brewer



Re: *Letter of application dated April 4, 2000 for Mack Energy Corporation to drill its proposed G. J. West Coop Unit Well No. 145 at a surface location 330 feet from the South line and 1310 feet from the East line (Unit O) of Section 28, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and directionally drill a horizontal drainhole within the San Andres formation in a northeasterly direction to a targeted bottomhole location that is 1775 feet from the South line and 330 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 28.*

Dear Mr. Brewer:

Pursuant to Division Rules 104.F (1) and 111.A (9), this application is unnecessary. Since the San Andres formation underlying Grayburg-Jackson West Cooperative Unit in Section 28 is within a waterflood project (see Division Orders No. R-3069, R-3127, and R-3127-A) and the planned wellbore of the proposed G. J. West Coop Unit Well No. 145 is no closer to the outer boundary of the waterflood project than 330 feet this matter can be administered entirely by the Division's district office in Artesia.

I am therefore returning your application at this time.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe
Kathy Valdes, NMOCD - Santa Fe