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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Street Santa Fe, NM 87505

Attention: Mr. Michael E. Stogner

Re: Request to Amend Location of Unorthodox Well Administrative Order NSL-3914 OXY Cougar Federal Com, Well #1 990' FNL & 990' FEL (New Location) Section 35, Township 18 South, Range 29 East North Turkey Track (Morrow) Gas Pool Undesignated Palmillo-Cisco Gas Pool Eddy County, New Mexico

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OXY USA Inc.

Dear Mr. Stogner:

OXY USA Inc. ("OXY") respectfully requests approval to change the location of this unorthodox well that was approved by NSL-3856 on December 12, 1997. This new location encroaches on affected offset parties to a lesser degree than the location that was approved in the subject order. At this time OXY hopes to spud this well at the new location in mid-January. If completed in any pool spaced on 320 acres (except the Undesignated Turkey Track-Atoka Gas Pool), we will dedicate the north half of section 35 as a 320-acre spacing unit for production. If an Atoka completion becomes necessary, a formal application for NSL authority will be submitted and notice provided to affected parties at that time. A plat is attached for your information showing the new location.

Please call me at 915/685-5913 if you have any questions. I thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Foppiano, P.E. Regulatory Affairs Advisor

REF:ref Attachment



