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Docket No. NM 8862-80 OFFICE

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PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION BY THE OIL AND GAS SUPERVISOR UNDER THE NATURAL GAS POLICY ACT OF 1978 (NGPA)

A preliminary category determination is set forth below pursuant to the provisions of the NGPA for certain Federal lease gas as requested in an application received on 01/21/80 and filed by _____

Amoco Production Company P.O. Box 3092 Houston, Texas 77001

Well Name and No.: Federal AA #1

Lease and Well No.: _____

Sec., T. and R.: Sec.17 - 22S 26E

Block: _____

API No.: 30-015-22926

API No: _____

Reservoir: Undesignated Morrow

Reservoir: _____

Lease No.: NM-9545

Nearby State: _____

County and State: Eddy, New Mexico

FWT-755

Category determination requested: Section 102 (c) (1) (b)

Preliminary category determination: Approved as requested XX Negative determination _____

Remarks: This well was completed 1056 feet below the deepest well within a 2.5 radius of the subject well.

In accordance with the requirements of 18 CFR 274.104 and upon making a final determination in this matter, the following information and reference materials will be submitted to the FERC:*

1. List of participants including the applicant and all parties submitting comments on the application.
2. A statement on any matter being opposed.
3. A copy of the application. Also, a copy of any other materials in the record used in the determination together with any information inconsistent (or possibly inconsistent) with the determination, which includes:
4. All materials required under 18 CFR 274, Subpart B, and all other record materials used in the determination process will be enclosed with the final determination when forwarded to the FERC.
5. An explanatory statement summarizing the basis for the determination is enclosed.
6. For a New Onshore Production Well determination involving 18 CFR 271.305(b) or (c), a finding as to the necessity of the well is enclosed.

In my judgment, a final determination in agreement with this decision will be rendered unless additional comments are received in this office within 15 calendar days which would justify a finding contrary to this preliminary determination.

Name: Allen F. Buckingham

Supervisory Natural Gas
Regulatory Specialist

Signature: *Allen F. Buckingham*

Date: APR 30 1980

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*In the case of a negative determination, only a copy of the negative determination and a copy of Form FERC 121 will be forwarded to FERC. If the applicant or any aggrieved party so requests within 15 days of making such a determination, all information referenced in 1 through 6 will be forwarded within 20 days following the determination to the FERC in accordance with 18 CFR 274.104(b).