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ChevronTexaco

Midland, Texas October 3, 2002

Re: ChevronTexaco's Fed Com '33' #3 Surface Location: 1980' FSL & 2080' FWL Proposed BHL: 1980' FSL & 1980' FWL Section 33, T21S, R23E, Eddy County, N.M.

Per the attached permit, this previously approved well is to be drilled in the very near future (planned spud - early November) as a dual completion in the Indian Basin Upper Penn and Loafer Draw Morrow pools. The well was previously permitted and approved at a surface location of 1880' FSL & 1980' FWL. The purpose of this letter is to explain the circumstances requiring movement of the proposed surface location and to convey Chevron Texaco's intent and plan to ensure an orthodox location prior to entering the Morrow formation.

Due to topographic, archeological, and surface facility concerns, the most acceptable location in the SW quarter of the section 33 from which to drill is 1980' FSL & 2080' FWL. A similar bottom hole location would be orthodox for the Indian Basin Upper Penn pool but would be unorthodox for the Loafer Draw Morrow pool (statewide rules). In order to achieve an 'orthodox location' status in both pools and a higher structural penetration point within the Morrow reservoir, it is our intent to steer the well, prior to the Morrow reservoir penetration point, to a subsurface location at a maximum distance of 1980' FSL & 1980' FWL. Survey data will be provided to verify this result.

Due to our rig commitment, limited time prior to the planned spud date and significant dirt work required prior to move in, Chevron Texaco would greatly appreciate your prompt attention to this permit request. Please contact either the undersigned or Mr. Boyd Schaneman, Sr. Drilling Engineer, at (915) 687-7402 if you have any questions or concerns.

Scott M. Ingram Carlsbad Technical Team Leader ChevronTexaco (915) 687-7212

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SCALE: $1^{"} = 2$ MILES

JOHN WEST SURVEYING HOBBS, NEW MEXICO (505) 393-3117

LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SPECIAL DRILLING STIPULATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DATA IS REQUIRED ON THE WELL SIGN

	Well Name & No. 3-Federal 33 Gas Com
Operator's Name Chevron USA Inc. Location 1980 FS L & 2080 FW L Sec.	13 T.215 . R.23E
Location 1980 FS L& 2080 FW L Sec.	State New Mexico
Lease No. RM-0556590 County Eddy	JUNIC IVAL

The Special stipulations check marked below are applicable to the above described well and approval of this application to drill is conditioned upon compliance with such stipulations in addition to the General Requirements. The permittee should be familiar with the General Requirements, a copy of which is available from a Bureau of Land Management office. EACH PERMITTEE HAS THE RIGHT OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL TO THESE STIPULATIONS PURSUANT TO TITLE 43 CFR 3165.3 AND 3165.4.

This permit is valid for a period of one year from the date of approval or until lease expiration or termination whichever is shorter.

I. SPECIAL ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

() Lesser Praine Chicken (stips attached)	() Floodplain (stips attached)
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11. ON LEASE - SURFACE REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO DRILLING

(+) The BLM will monitor construction of this drill site. Notify the (-) Carlsbad Fletd Office at (505) 234-5972 () Hobbs Office (505) 393-3812, at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction

(.) Roads and the drift pad for this well must be surfaced with 6 inches of compacted caliche.

() All topsoil and vegetation encountered during the construction of the drill site area will be stockpiled and made available for resurfacing of the disturbed area after completion of the drilling operation. Topsoil on the subject location is approximately ______ inches in depth. Approximately _____ cubic yards of topsoil material will be stockpiled for reclamation.

() Other.

IL WELL COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

() A communitization Agreement covering the acreage dedicated to the well must be filed for approval with the BLM. The effective date of the agreement must be prior to any sales.

(Surface Restoration: If the well is a producer, the reserve pil(s) will be backfilled when dry, and cut-and-fill slopes will be reduced to a slope of 3:1 or less. All areas of the pad not necessary for production must be re-contoured to resemble the original contours of the surrounding terrain, and topsoil must be re-distributed and re-seeded with a drill equipped with a depth indicator (set at a depth of ½ inch) with the following seed mixture, in pounds of Pure Live Seed (PLS), per acre.

() A. Seed Mature 1 (Loany Siles) Side Onts Grame (Boutebue curtipendule) Sand Dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)	5.0 1.0	 B. Sead Mixture 2 (Sandy Sites) Sand Dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus) 1.0 Sand Lovegrass (Eragostis Inchodes) 1.0 Plains Bristlegrass (Setaria magrostachys) 2.0
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Seeding should be done either late in the fall (September 15 - November 15, before freeze up, or carly as possible the following spring to take advantage of available ground molature.

() Other.

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RESERVE PIT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The reserve pit shall be constructed entirely in cut material and lined with 6 mil plastic.

Mineral material extracted during construction of the reserve pit may be used for development of the pad and access road as needed. Removal of any additional material on location must be purchased from BLM.

<u>Reclamation</u>: Reclamation of this type of deep pit will consist of pushing the pit walls into the pit when sufficiently dry to support track equipment. The pit liner is NOT TO BE RUPTURED to facilitate drying, a ten month period after completion of the well is allowed for drying of the pit contents.

The pit area must be contoured to the natural terrain with all contaminated drilling mud buried with at least 3 feet of clean soil. The reclaimed area will then be seeded as specified in this permit.

OPTIONAL PIT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The reserve pit may be constructed in predominantly fill material if:

- (1) Lined as specified above and
- (2) A borrow/caliche/gravel pit can be constructed immediately adjacent to the reserve pit and it capable of containing all reserve pit contents. The mineral material removed in the process can be used for pad and access road construction. However, a material sales contract must be purchased from the BLM prior to removal of the material.

Reclamation of the reserve pit consists of bulldozing all reserve pit contents and contaminants into the borrow pit and covering with a minimum of 3 feet of clean soil material. The entire area must be recontoured, all trash removed, and reseeded as specified in this permit.

CULTURAL

Whether or not an archaeological survey has been completed and notwithstanding that operations are being conducted as approved, the lessee/operator/grantee shall notify the BLM immediately if previously unidentified cultural resources are observed during surface disturbing operations. From the time of the observation, the lessee/operator/grantee shall avoid operations that will result in disturbance to these cultural resources until directed to proceed by BLM.

TRASH PIT STIPS

All trash, junk, and other waste material shall be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not permitted.