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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION ARTESIA DISTRICT OFFICE

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OCTOBER 2, 1997

ORDER NO. DD-A-4

Ms. Donna Williams Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company P.O. Box 51810 Midland, Texas 79710-1810

Re: APD-Dual lateral El Paso '23' Fed-2 SHL- 1980' FNL & 2310' FEL SEC. 23, T-26s, R-30e Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Williams:

Burlington is hereby authorized to drill the El Paso '23' Federal No.-2 as a dual lateral. Additional State approval is not required as long as both bottom hole locations are within the set back rules (1650' from end and 660' from side boundaries).

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