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Amoco Production Company (USA)
P. O. Box 68
Hobbs, New Mexico

Re: Withdrawal of
Administrative Order NSL-1502

Gentlemen:

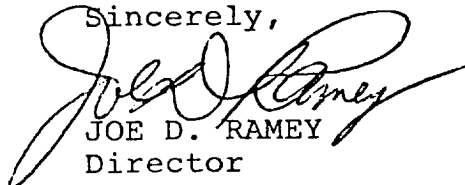
By Administrative Order No. NSL-1502 a non-standard gas well location 888 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 17 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, was approved for your Empire Deep Unit Well No. 22.

This application received immediate approval based upon a map interpretation that there was no offset operator. On March 29, 1982, an objection to the location was received from Hondo Oil and Gas Company, who claims to be an offset operator. A review of the application and the map of the area does not clearly establish that Hondo Oil and Gas is an offset operator as contemplated by the regulations.

However, as Amoco has given notice by its letter of April 30, 1982, that it does not plan to drill this well, final determination of the status of Hondo as an offset operator is not now necessary.

Pending clarification of the offset operator issue and reapplication of Amoco to drill the Empire South Deep Unit Well No. 22, the approval for an unorthodox gas well location granted by Administrative Order No. NSL-is hereby withdrawn.

Sincerely,



JOE D. RAMEY
Director

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cc: Bill Gressett