

Black Hills Exploration and Production

Mallon Oil Company

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February 2, 2004 30-039-27462

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS Phone (505) 334-6178

Steve Hayden, District Geologist New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec NM 87410

RE:

Application for Non-Standard Spacing Unit

Jicarilla 29-02-16 #4 Well (Horizontal Re-Entry) N/2 Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 2 West

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hayden:



With reference to our phone call this morning and Mallon Oil Company's Application, dated January 14, 2004, for designation of spacing and administrative approval to re-enter the subject well and drill a horizontal lateral; please find the following information enclosed to complete our application in this matter:

- 1. Form C-102, Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat.
- A waiver executed on behalf of the Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil and Gas Administration.

The proposed 320 acre spacing unit is encompassed entirely by Jicarilla Mineral Development Agreement No. 701-98-0013, to which Mallon Oil Company owns 100% of the working interest. The Jicarilla Apache Nation royalty is established at 20%. With the addition of the enclosed documents, if you find our application to be in order, please place our Application for Non-Standard Spacing in line for administrative approval.

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me in the event you have any questions or desire additional information regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

Mallon Oil Company, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of

Black Hills Exploration and Production

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Land Manager

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Jicarilla 29-02-16 #4 (Horizontal Re-Entry) February 6, 2004 Page Two

Enclosure (2)

cc:

Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil and Gas Administration Dulce Rock Road Dulce, NM 87528

Michael E. Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Sante Fe, NM 87505

U.S. Bureau of Land Management 435 Montano Road, NE Albuquerque, NM 87107-4935

William F. Carr, Attorney 110 N. Guadalupe St. Santa Fe, NM 87501 District I

1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

District II

1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

District III

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

District IV

1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 South St. Francis Dr.

Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102

Revised June 10, 2003

Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies

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☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

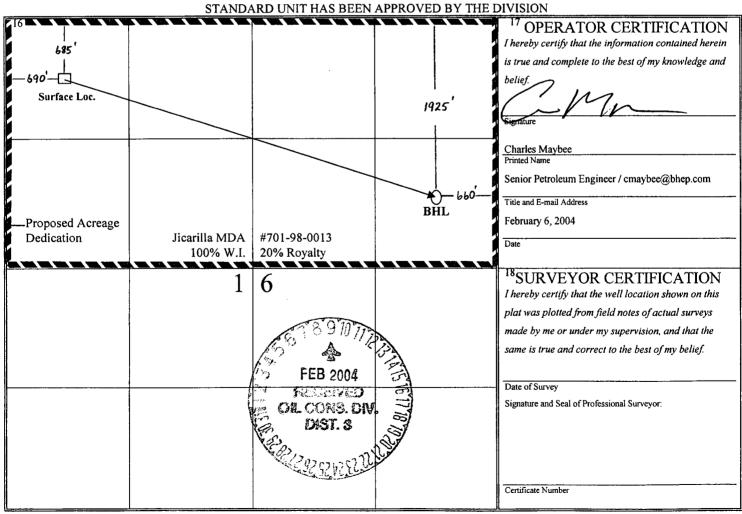
API Number	Pool Code	3,	³ Pool Name		
30-039-27462	72400	Pictu	ared Cliffs		
⁴ Property Code	5 P1	⁶ Well Number			
24245	Jica	29-02-16 #4			
OGRID No.	* O	Elevation			
013925	Mallon	7248' GL			

¹⁰ Surface Location Range Feet from the North/South line Feet from the East/West line Section Township Lot Idn County JL or lot no. 690 D 16 29N 2W 685 North West Rio Arriba

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UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County		
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12 Dedicated Acres 13 Joint or Infill 14 Consolidation Code				ode 15 Ord	ler No.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
320											

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-



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January 14, 2004

CERTIFIED MAIL 7000 1670 0003 4354 7988 Return Receipt Requested

Mr. Fred Vigil, Director Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil and Gas Administration Dulce Rock Road Dulce, NM 87528

RE:

Application for Non-Standard Spacing Unit Jicarilla 29-02-16 #4 Well (Horizontal Re-Entry) N/2 Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 2 West Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Fred:

Mallon Oil Company, an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc. is making application to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for approval of a non-standard spacing unit containing 320 acres comprising the N/2 of Section 16-T29N-R2W. This well was previously drilled at a location 685' FNL and 690' FWL in the NW/4NW/4 of Section 16-T29N-R2W. It is Mallon's desire to re-enter the wellbore for completion as a horizontal Pictured Cliffs well. The subject well is located on Tract 4 of MDA 701-98-0013. A copy of the proposed application is enclosed for your review.

If you have no objections to the proposed non-standard spacing unit, please so indicate by signing below and returning one copy of this letter to us by fax and mail (envelope enclosed). In the event you wish to object, you must notify the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at 2040 South Pacheco Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505 within 20 days of receiving this notice.

Sincerely.

Randall G. Harris, CPL

and Manager

Jicarilla Apache Nation waives objection to the non-standard spacing unit described above this 27 day of January, 2004.

JICARILLA APACHE NATION OIL AND GAS ADMINISTRATION

Fred P. Vigil, Director