



NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS  
& NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
2040 South Pacheco Street  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505  
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May 20, 1998

Conoco, Inc.  
10 Desta Drive - Suite 100W  
Midland, Texas 79705-5400  
Attention: Kay Maddox

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Administrative Order NSL-4038

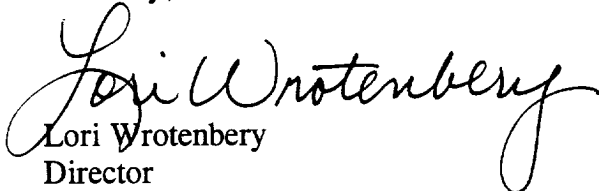
Dear Ms. Maddox:

Reference is made to your application dated April 17, 1998 for an off-pattern non-standard Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for Conoco, Inc.'s existing Delhi Taylor "D" Well No. 1-E (API No. 30-045-23796), located 900 feet from the North and West lines (Lot 4/Unit D) of Section 3, Township 26 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. According to the well records on file with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in Santa Fe, the Delhi Taylor "D" Well No. 1-E was initially drilled in 1979 by Tenneco Oil Company and completed at a standard infill gas well location in the Basin-Dakota Pool within a standard 320.01-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 3 and 4, the S/2 NW/4, and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of said Section 3.

It is our understanding that the Dakota interval is to be abandoned and said well will be plugged back and recompleted up-hole into the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool. This location, pursuant to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, is considered to be unorthodox. Further, the W/2 equivalent of said Section 3 is to be dedicated to said well in order to form a standard 320.01-acre gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of said special pool rules, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location for the Delhi Taylor "D" Well No. 1-E is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

  
Lori Wrotenberg  
Director

LW/MES/kv

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington



Mid-Continent Region  
Exploration/Production

Conoco Inc.  
10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W  
Midland, TX 79705-4500  
(915) 686-5400

April 17, 1998

Mr. Michael Stogner  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
2040 Pacheco  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

RE: Application for Unorthodox Coal Location  
Delhi Taylor D #1E  
API # 30-045-23796  
Section 3, T-26-N, R-11-W, D  
San Juan, New Mexico

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Dear Mr. Stogner,

Conoco's Delhi Taylor D #1E is located in Section 3, T-26-N, R-11-W, 900 FNL & 900 FWL, San Juan County, New Mexico. In addition to standard 790' set back requirements, orthodox locations for 320 acres spaced Fruitland Coal requires that locations be situated in the NE/4 and/or SW/4 of any given section. The Delhi Taylor D #1E meets set back requirements but is situated in the NW/4 of Section 3: an orthodox location would be in the SW/4.

In order to prevent economic waste by allowing access to Basin Fruitland Coal reserves in an existing wellbore, Conoco respectfully requests that a NW/4, unorthodox location be approved for completion in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool.

The offset operator plat shows that Larry F. Neely, Amoco, Merrion Oil & Gas, Burlington Resources, and Louis-Dreyfus are the offset operators that could be affected by this unorthodox location. Please find enclosed evidence that they have been notified of this application.

An unorthodox location order is requested based on the reasons given in the preceding paragraph. If there are further questions concerning this application please call me at (915) 686-5798.

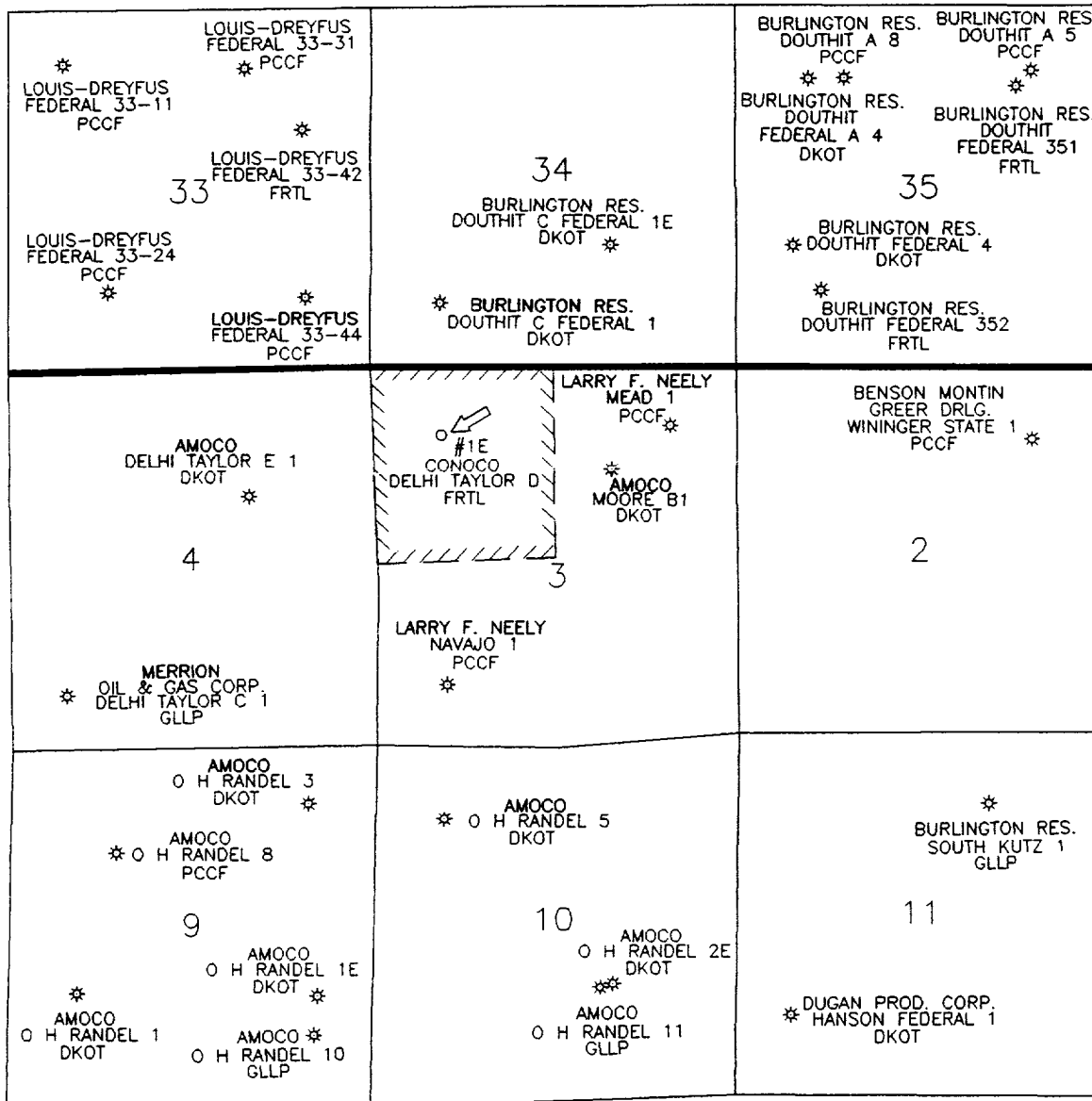
Sincerely,

Kay Maddox  
Regulatory Agent

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Cc: Oil Conservation Division – Aztec  
Bureau Land Management-Farmington

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NOTES		EPNGNA MIDLAND DIVISION	
NOTE:	DATE: 4/27/98	CONOCO DELHI TAYLOR D #1E UNORTHODOX LOCATION APPLICATION RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO	
	DRAWN BY: GLG		
	CHECKED BY:		
	APPROVED BY:	STATE <u>API</u> COUNTY <u>WELL</u>	DRAWING
	SCALE: 1" = 2640'	30 \ 039 \ 237960	DTAY_D1E
STATE PLANE COORDINATES REFERRED TO NAD27 - N.M. WEST STATE PLANE COORDINATES ZONE - 3003		CONOCO INC. OFFICE 10 DESTA DRIVE WEST MIDLAND, TEXAS 79705	

District I  
PO Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88241-1980

District II  
PO Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88211-0719

District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Rd, Aztec, NM 87410

District IV  
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Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
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Form C-102

Revised February 21, 1994

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☒ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-039-23796	2 Pool Code 71629	3 Pool Name Basin Fruitland Coal
4 Property Code 003039	5 Property Name Delhi Taylor D	6 Well Number #1E
7 OGRID No. 005073	8 Operator Name Conoco Inc., 10 Desta Drive, Ste. 100W, Midland, TX 79705-4500	9 Elevation 3404'

10 Surface Location

UL or lot no D	Section 3	Township 26N	Range 11W	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
					900	North	900	West	San Juan

11 Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

12 Dedicated Acres 320	13 Joint or Infill	14 Consolidation Code	15 Order No.

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED  
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

900'			
900'			

17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief

*Kay Maddox*  
Signature

Kay Maddox

Printed Name

Regulatory Agent

Title

April 22, 1998

Date

18 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief

Date of Survey

Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor:

Certificate Number

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