



STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
2040 S. PACHECO  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87505  
(505) 827-7131

August 25, 1997

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OIL CON. DIV.  
DIST. 3

Conoco, Inc.  
10 Desta Drive - 100W  
Midland, Texas 79705-4500  
Attention: Jerry W. Hoover

*Administrative Order NSL-3483-A*

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Reference is made to your application dated August 1, 1997, which was received by the Division in Santa Fe on August 4, 1997, for a non-standard off-pattern Basin-Fruitland coal gas well location for the existing State Com "AI" Well No. 33-E (API No. 30-045-24027), which was drilled in 1981 and completed in the Basin-Dakota Pool at a standard gas well location 1175 feet from the North line and 1180 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 32, Township 27 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, and was later recompleted up-hole into the Angles Peak-Gallup Associated Pool under the authority of Division Administrative Order NSL-3483, dated February 13, 1995.

It is our understanding at this time that the Gallup interval is to be plugged back and recompleted up-hole into the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool, which 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 unorthodox. Further, W/2 of said Section 32 is to be dedicated to the well to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for said pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 8 of said Order No. R-8768, as amended, the above-described unorthodox coal gas well location is hereby approved.

Division Administrative Order NSL-3483 shall be placed in abeyance until further notice.

Sincerely,

William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/MES/kv

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec  
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe  
File: NSL-3483  
W. Thomas Kellahin, Counsel - Santa Fe  
Dave Wacker, Conoco, Inc. - Midland, Texas

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Mid-Continent Region  
Exploration/Production

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

August 1, 1997

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

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OIL CON. DIV.  
DIST. 3

Re: Application for Non-Standard Fruitland Coal Location for  
State Com AINo. 33E located at 1175 FNL & 1180 FWL,  
Sec. 32, T-27N, R-9W necessitated by recompletion

Dear Mr. Stogner:

This wellbore was originally drilled and completed by Mesa Petroleum in the Dakota formation at a standard Dakota location. When the Dakota was depleted, an Administrative Order NSL-3483 was issued February 13, 1995 for recompletion to the Angels Peak Gallup Pool (see EXHIBIT A) at a non-standard location for that pool. It is now proposed to plug back the well from the non-economic Gallup recompletion to the Fruitland Coal in order to extend the life and utility of this wellbore. EXHIBIT B is a copy of the new C-102 for the propose recompletion.

While the footage location (setbacks) is standard for the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool, this would be the first Fruitland Coal completion in the west half of section 32. Since the Fruitland Pool Rules require the first completion in the west half of a section to be located in the southwest quarter, by virtue of this first west half completion being in the northwest quarter, it is a non-standard Fruitland Coal location.

Prior to plugging this well it is recommended that it be tested for additional hydrocarbon recovery from the Fruitland Coal formation. Therefore, a non-standard Fruitland Coal location is requested for this proposed recompletion. The attached plat, EXHIBIT C, shows the location of the proposed recompletion, all Fruitland Coal wells in the area, and all offset operators. Burlington Resources is the only offset operator and has been notified of this application by certified mail. A copy of the certified mail receipt is attached as EXHIBIT D.

If there are any further questions concerning this application, please contact me at (915) 686-6548.

Very truly yours,

Jerry W. Hoover  
Sr. Conservation Coordinator

cc: Aztec OCD Distric Office

State of New Mexico  
**ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505



**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

February 13, 1995



Conoco, Inc.  
10 Desta Drive - Suite 100 W  
Midland, Texas 79705-4500

Attention: Jerry W. Hoover

*Administrative Order NSL-3483*

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Reference is made to your application dated January 20, 1995 for an unorthodox Angles Peak-Gallup Associated Pool oil well location for your existing State Com "AI" Well No. 33E (API No. 30-045-24027) which was drilled in 1981 and completed in the Basin-Dakota Pool at a standard gas well location 1175 feet from the North line and 1180 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 32, Township 27 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that the Dakota interval will be properly plugged back and said well will be recompleted up-hole to the Undesignated Angles Peak-Gallup Associated Pool, which pursuant to the Special Rules and Regulations for the Angles Peak-Gallup Associated Pool, as promulgated by Division Order No. R-5353, as amended, is unorthodox. Further, the N/2 NW/4 of said Section 32 shall be dedicated to the well to form a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2 of said Order No. R-5353, as amended, the above-described unorthodox oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. LeMay".

William J. LeMay  
Director

WJL/MES/kv

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec  
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe

**VILLAGRA BUILDING - 406 Gallisteo**  
Forestry and Resources Conservation Division  
P.O. Box 1948 87504-1948  
827-5830  
Park and Recreation Division  
P.O. Box 1147 87504-1147  
827-7465

**2040 South Pacheco**  
Office of the Secretary  
827-5950  
Administrative Services  
827-5925  
Energy Conservation & Management  
827-5900  
Mining and Minerals  
827-5970  
Oil Conservation  
827-3101

**EXHIBIT A**

District I  
PO Box 1988, Hobbs, NM 88241-1988  
District II  
PO Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88211-0719  
District III  
1008 Rio Bravo Rd., Alamogordo, NM 87410  
District IV  
PO Box 2088, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
PO Box 2088  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Form C-102  
Revised February 10, 1994

Instructions on back  
Submit to Appropriate District Office  
State Lease - 4 Copies  
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

* API Number 30 405 24027		* Pool Code	* Pool Name Fruitland Coal
* Property Code	* Property Name State Com AI		* Well Number 33E
* OGRID No. 005073	* Operator Name CONOCO, INC.		* Elevation 6502' GR

10 Surface Location

U/L or lot no. D	Section 32	Township 27N	Range 9W	Lot Idn	Feet from the 1175	North/South line North	Feet from the 1180	East/West line West	County San Juan
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11 Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

U/L 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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* Dedication - 3 Acres 320	* Joint or Infill	* Consolidation Code	* Order No.
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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

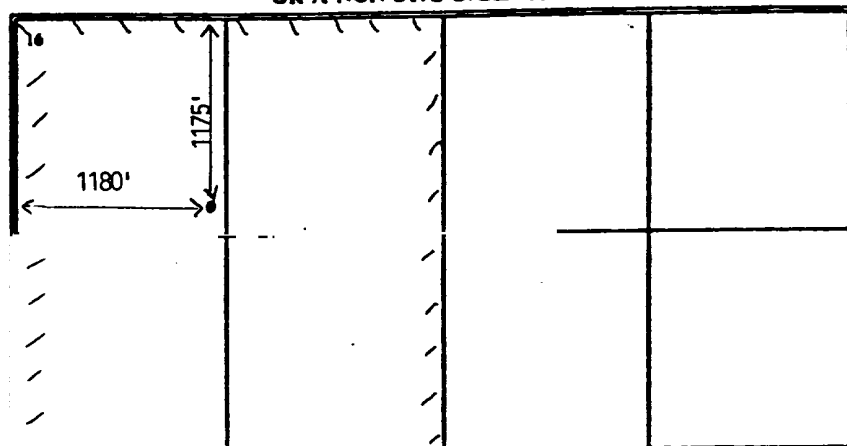
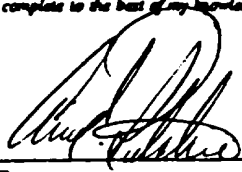
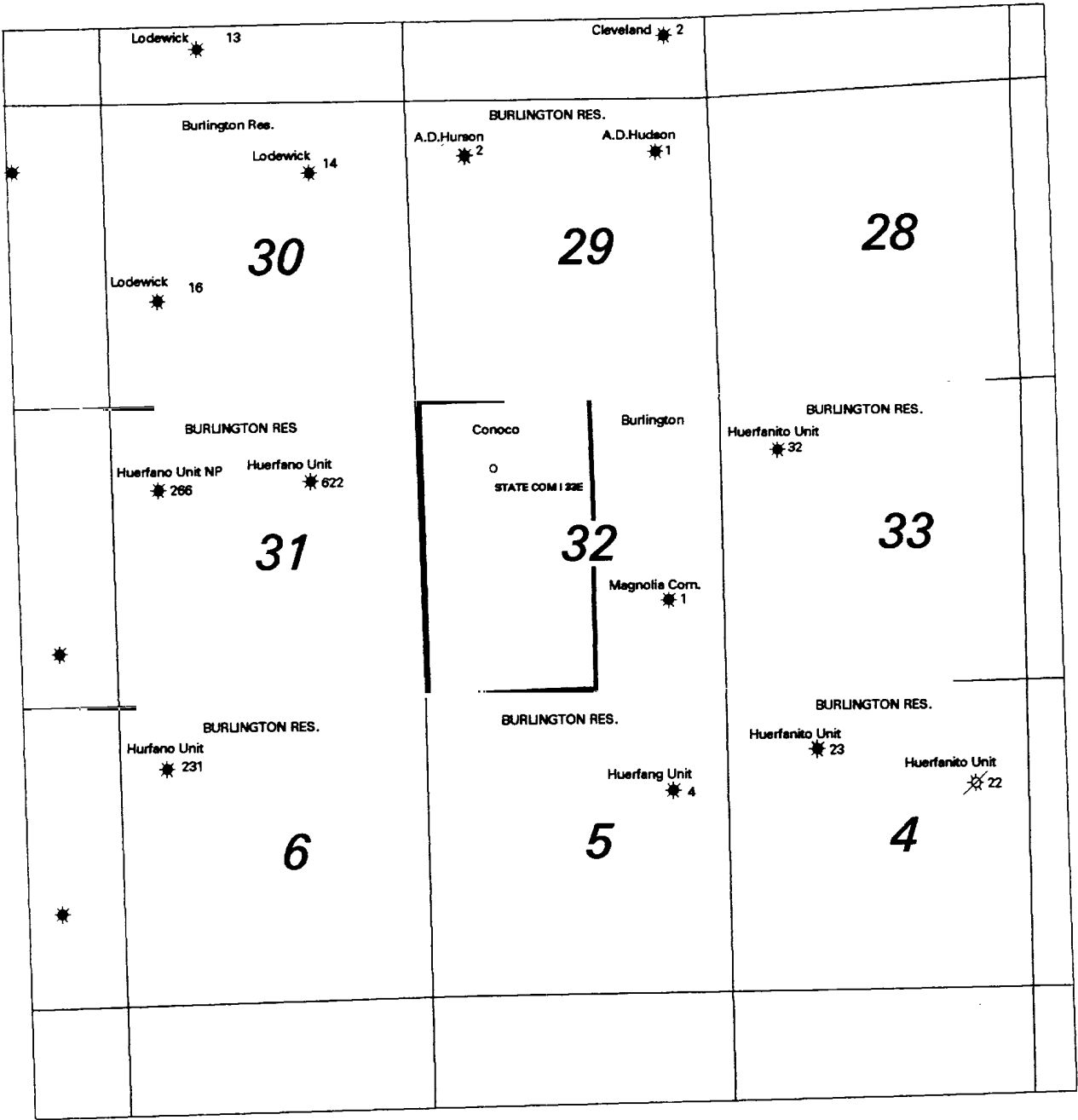
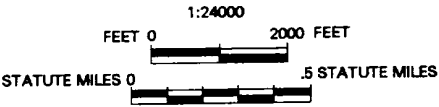
	<b>17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b> I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.  Signature Printed Name Ann E. Ritchie Title Regulator Agent Date 7-14-97
	<b>18 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b> I hereby certify that the well location shown 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

EXHIBIT B



OFFSET OPERATORS ST COM I 33E



FRUITLAND COAL WELLS				
T 27 N R 9 W				
SAN JUAN BASIN				

EXHIBIT C

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**Receipt for  
Certified Mail**

No Insurance Coverage Provided

Burlington Resources  
P.O. Box 4289  
Farmington, NM 87499

Postage	\$
Certified Fee	
Special Delivery Fee	
Restricted Delivery Fee	
Return Receipt Showing to Whom & Date Delivered	
Return Receipt Showing to Whom, Date, and Addressee's Address	
TOTAL Postage & Fees	\$
Postmark or Date  8/1/97	

PS Form 3800, March 1993

EXHIBIT D