

#### 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 COM. DIV.

Administrative Order NSL-3483-A

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Conoco, Inc.

10 Desta Drive - 100W Midland, Texas 79705-4500 Attention: Jerry W. 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. L

Director

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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 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.

Re:

Application for Non-Standard Fruitland Coal Location for State Com Al No. 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,

William J. LeMay

Director

WJL/MES/kv

Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe

**VILLAGRA BUILDING - 406 Galisteo** 

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Park and Recreation Division P.O. Box 1147 87504-1147 827-7465

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EXHIBIT A

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PO Box 2006, Santa Fe, NM 87584-2888

District IV

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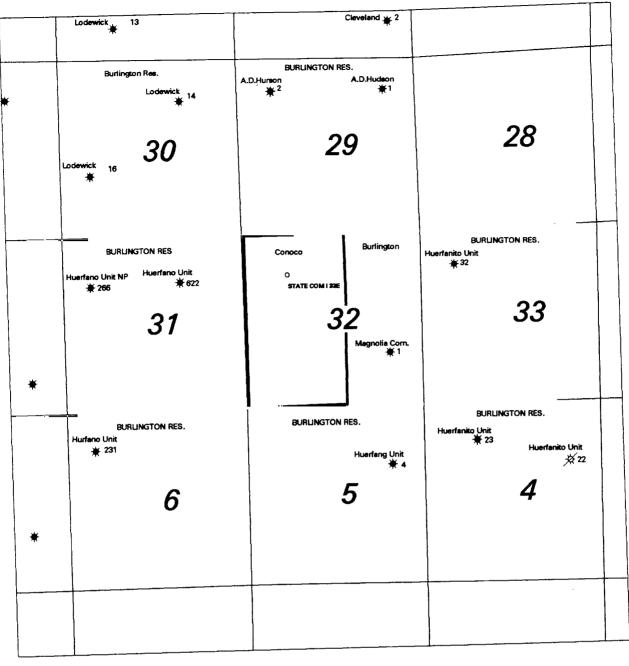
Form C-102 Revised February 10, 1994 Instructions on back OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
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Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088
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☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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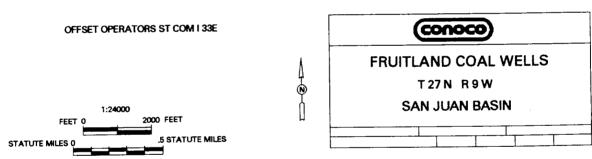


EXHIBIT C

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