

NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pächeco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

October 22, 1998

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Conoco, Inc. 10 Desta Drive - Suite 100W Midland, Texas 79705-4500 Attention: Kay Maddox

Administrative Order NSL-1001-B

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application filed with the Division on October 2, 1998; and, (ii) the records of the Division in Aztec and Santa Fe: all concerning Conoco, Inc.'s ("Conoco") request for a non-standard Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location in an existing non-standard 270.36-acre gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool (approved by Division Administrative Order NWU-228, dated November 27, 1957) comprising all of irregular Section 10, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. This GPU is currently dedicated to Conoco's Johnston "LS" Well No. 6-X (API No. 30-045-07562), located a standard gas well location 1168 feet from the South line and 1090 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 10.

It is our understanding that the subject well to be considered in this application, the <u>Jackson Well No. 3</u> (API No. 30-045-25315) was drilled in 1982 by Tenneco Oil Company and completed in the Basin-Dakota Pool at an unorthodox gas well location (approved by Division Administrative Order NSL-1001, dated December 18, 1978) 1430 feet from the South line and 1140 feet from the East line (Lot 1/Unit I) of Section 10. In 1993 the Basin-Dakota interval was abandoned and this well was plugged back and recompleted up-hole into the Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas) Pool [see Division Administrative Order NSL-1001-A(NSP), dated December 15, 1992].

We also understand that the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool is to be perforated and the well will be recompleted such that gas production from both the Basin-Fruitland coal gas and Blanco-Mesaverde intervals are to be commingled downhole under authority of Division Administrative Order DHC-1889, dated April 9, 1998. Pursuant to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, the location of the Jackson Well No. 3 is also considered to be unorthodox.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location for the Jackson Well No. 3 is hereby

Administrative Order NSL-1001-B Conoco Inc. October 22, 1998 Page 2

approved. Both of the aforementioned Johnston "LS" Well No. 6-X and Jackson Well No. 3 and this 270.36-acre GPU in the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Further, all provisions of Division Administrative Orders NSL-1001-A(NSP) and DHC-1889 shall remain in full force and effect until further notice. Division Administrative Order NSL-1001 shall be placed in abeyance until further notice.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

LW/MES/kv

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

File: NSL-1001

NSL-1001-A(NSP)

DHC-1889



Mid-Continent Region Exploration/Production

September 30, 1998

Mr. Stogner Oil Conservation Division 2040 Pacheco Street Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Application to Amend NSL Order # 1001 Jackson #3 API # 30-045-25315 1430' FSL & 1140' FEL Section 10, T-28-N, R-9-W, I Blanco Mesaverde (72319) San Juan County, NM Conoco Inc. 10 Desta Drive, Suite 100W Midland, TX 79705-4500 (915) 686-5400



Dear Mr. Stogner,

The proposed recompletion of this well in the Blanco Mesaverde requires a non-standard location order. This well is located in Section 10, T-28-N, R-9-W in San Juan County, NM. The well is located 1430' FSL & 1140' FEL thereby not leaving the required 130' distance from the inside quarter section lines. This well is currently producing from the Fruitland Coal.

Conoco Inc. requests that the NSL Order # 1001 issued to Tenneco Oil Co in 1978 for the Basin Dakota be amended to include the Blanco Mesaverde. Please find attached a copy of the Downhole Commingle Order # 1889 which permits us to recomplete this well in the Mesaverde and Downhole Commingle the Mesaverde with the Fruitland Coal. Also attached is a copy of Amoco's letter asking for the NSL Order # 1001 to be amended to include the unorthodox location for the Fruitland Coal. The C-102 for the Mesaverde is attached.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the offset operators that could be affected by this non-standard location request. Please find enclosed evidence that they have been notified.

Conoco, Inc respectfully requests that the Administrative approval granted under the NSL –1001 be modified to include the Blanco Mesaverde. If there are any further questions please call me @ (915) 686-5798.

Sincerely,

Kay Maddox

Regulatory Agent - Conoco, Inc.

Cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

William J LeMay, Director - OCD, Santa Fe



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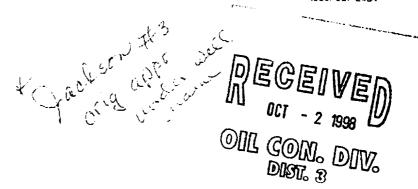
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

December 18, 1978

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Tenneco Oil Company The Galleria-Penthouse 720 South Colorado Blvd. Denver, Colorado 80222

Attention: D. D. Myers



Administrative Order NSL-1001

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for a non-standard location for your Johnston B Well No. 1 to be located 1430 feet from the South line and 1140 feet from the East line of Section 10, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, Basin Dakota Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico.

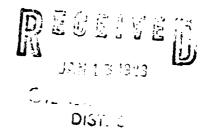
By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 3 of Order No. R-1670-C, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Very truly yours,

JOE D. RAMEY, Director

JDR/RLS/dr

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec Oil & Gas Engineering Committee - Hobbs U. S. Geological Survey - Farmington





Amoco Production Company

Southern Rockies Business Unit Amoco Building 1670 Broad way Post Office Box 800 Denver, Colorado 80201 303-830-4040

November 4, 1992

William J. LeMay, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division State Land Office Building 310 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 RECEIVED OCT - 2 1998

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File: CAW-240-986.511

Application for Unorthodox Location Jackson #3 Well 1,430' FSL and 1,140' FEL, Sec 10, T28N-R9W Basin Fruitland Coal Pool San Juan County, New Mexico

Amoco Production Company hereby makes application for unorthodox location for the Jackson #3 Well at the above referenced location in the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico. This well was originally drilled to the Basin Dakota Pool at an approved non-standard location under Administrative Order NSL-1001 dated December 8, 1978. Amoco now wishes to recomplete the well to the Basin Fruitland Coal Pool. This location would be unorthodox since it does not conform to the NE/SW pattern in the pool. Under Rule 8 of Order No. R-3768, the Division Director may grant exception to the location requirements without hearing for recompletion of wells previously drilled to deeper horizons at approved unorthodox location for such horizons.

In addition, this well will be dedicated to a non-standard unit consisting of the S/2 Section 10, T28N-R9W. This is necessitated by variation in legal subdivision of the U.S. Public Land Survey. The unit consists of an entire governmental section not less than 70% or more than 130% of a standard gas proration unit. Under Rule 5 of Order R-8768-A this non-standard unit may be approved by the Supervisor of the Aztec District office of the Division. Attached are copies of the form C-102.

William J. LeMay November 4, 1992 Page 2

All operators offsetting the location will receive copies of this application by certified mail. These parties have 20 days to object to the application. If no objection is received within the 20 day notice period, Amoco respectfully requests administrative approval.

Sincerely

W. Hawkins

JWH/jmc

Attachments

E. Hadlock J. Joyce

Aztec District III Ernie Bush 1000 Rio Brazos Rd. Aztec, New Mexico 87410

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DHC-1889

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

Attention: Ms. Kay Maddox

Jackson No. 3
API No. 30-045-25315
Unit I, Section 10, Township 28 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.
Blanco-Mesaverde (Prorated Gas - 72319) and Basin-Fruitland Coal (Gas - 71629) Pools

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Reference is made to your recent application for an exception to Rule 303.A. of the Division Rules and Regulations to permit the above described well to commingle production from the subject pools in the wellbore.

It appearing that the subject well qualifies for approval for such exception pursuant to the provisions of Rule 303.C., and that reservoir damage or waste will not result from such downhole commingling, and correlative rights will not be violated thereby, you are hereby authorized to commingle the production as described above and any Division Order which authorized the dual completion and required separation of the zones is hereby placed in abeyance.

The maximum amount of gas which may be produced daily from the well shall be determined by Division Rules and Regulations or by the gas allowable for each respective prorated pool as printed in the Division's San Juan Basin Gas Proration Schedule.

Production from the subject well shall be allocated as follows:

Gas and oil production from the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool shall be determined utilizing the annual average production forecast submitted by the applicant as an attachment to the downhole commingling application. Gas and oil production from the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool shall be determined by subtracting Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool production from the well's total monthly oil and gas production.

The allocation method established herein may be altered at some time subsequent to initiating



downhole commingling operations upon request by the operator and for good cause shown.

REMARKS: The operator shall notify the Aztec District Office of the Division upon implementation of the commingling process.

Pursuant to Rule 303.H., the commingling authority granted herein may be rescinded by the Division Director if conservation is not being best served by such commingling.

Approved at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 9th day of April, 1998.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

LORI WROTENBERY

Director

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LW/DRC

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

Bureau of Land Management-Farmington



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Re:

Jackson #3 Section 10, T-28-N, R-9-W, M San Juan County, New Mexico

Notification Of Offset Operators:

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