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Phillips Petroleum Company
5525 Highway 64 - NBU 3004
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Attention: S. Scott Prather

May 25, 2000



Administrative Order NSL-4454

Dear Mr. Prather:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your initial application dated March 21, 2000; (ii) your letter dated May 17, 2000 with supplemental data attached; and (iii) the records of the Division in Santa Fe and Aztec: all concerning Phillips Petroleum Company's request for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "*Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987, for a non-standard infill gas well location in an existing standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Dakota Pool comprising the W/2 of Section 23, Township 29 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. This unit is currently dedicated to Phillips Petroleum Company's San Juan "29-6" Unit Well No. 76 (API No. 30-039-07557), located a standard initial gas well location 880 feet from the South line and 1450 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 23.

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the following described well to be drilled at an unorthodox infill gas well location in Section 23 is hereby approved:

San Juan "29-6" Unit Well No. 76-M

1652' FNL & 455' FWL (Unit E) - 23-27N-6W
(API No. 30-039-26341).

Further, both of the aforementioned San Juan "29-6" Unit Well Nos. 76 and 76-M and existing gas spacing and proration unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery
Director

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