

ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

2040 S. PACHECO SANTA FE. NEW MEXICO 87505 (505) 827-7131

July 30, 1997

Amoco Production Company San Juan Business Unit P. O. Box 800 Denver, Colorado 80201 Attention: Pamela Staley



Administrative Order DD-195

Dear Ms. Staley:

Reference is made to Amoco Production Company's application dated July 8, 1997 for authorization to directional drill a high-angle well to a pre-determined bottomhole location in order to further develop the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool underlying an existing 320-acre standard gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the N/2 of Section 27, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

The Division Director Finds That:

- (1) The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Rule 111(D) and (E) of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division"), revised by Division Order No. R-10388, issued by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case 11274 on June 13, 1995;
- By Order No. R-8170, as amended, the Division promulgated the "General Rules for the Prorated Gas Pools of New Mexico/Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool", which includes provisions for 320-acre gas spacing and proration units and well location requirements whereby the initial well drilled on a GPU shall be located no closer than 790 feet to the outer boundary of the quarter section on which the well is located and not closer than 130 feet to any quarter-quarter section line or subdivision inner boundary and the infill well drilled on an existing GPU shall be in the quarter section not containing a Mesaverde gas well and shall be located with respect to the restrictions as previously described:
- Initial development of Blanco-Mesaverde gas pool production within the subject 320-acre GPU occurred with the E. E. Elliott "B" Well No. 2 (API No. 30-045-09225) being drilled in 1952 at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of said Section 27. The E. E. Elliott "B" Well No. 2-A (API No. 30-045-22060) was drilled in 1976 as an "infill well" at a standard gas well location 1160 feet from the North line and 880 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 27;
- (4) It is our understanding that the subject well of this application, the existing E.E. Elliott "B" Well No. 7 (API No. 30-045-09193), located at a standard gas well location 1800

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feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit H) of said Section 27, is currently completed as a producing gas well in the Basin-Dakota Pool and that upon issuance of this order said well is to be recompleted by milling a window in the 4-1/2 inch production casing string, kick-off of the vertical portion of the wellbore at a depth of approximately 4,605 feet in a northwesterly direction, build to an angle of approximately 45 degrees, and continue to drill in such a manner as to bottom into the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool with total horizontal displacement of said well to be approximately 740 feet;

- (5) A high angle wellbore as proposed should provide Amoco a better opportunity to encounter the naturally occurring fracture system in the Mesaverde formation which should result in a higher production rate and an increased ultimate recovery of gas from this GPU.
- (6) The applicable drilling window or "producing area" for said wellbore should include that area within the NE/4 of said Section 27 that is no closer than 790 feet to the quarter section lines; and,
- (7) It appearing the applicant has satisfied all of the appropriate requirements prescribed in said Rule 111.D and E, the subject application should be approved and the well should be governed by the provisions contained within this order and all other applicable provisions of Division General Rule 111.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The applicant, Amoco Production Company, is hereby authorized to recomplete its E.E. Elliott "B" Well No. 7 (API No. 30-045-09193), located at a standard gas well location 1800 feet from the North line and 990 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 27, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, by milling a window in the 4-1/2 inch production casing string, kick-off from vertical at a depth of approximately 4,605 feet in a northwesterly direction, build to an angle of approximately 45 degrees and continue drilling inch a manner as to bottom into the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool (total horizontal displacement of said well to be approximately 740 feet) within a drilling window or "producing area" comprising the NE/4 of said Section 27 that is no closer than 790 feet to the quarter section lines.

<u>PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT</u> prior to commencing directional drilling operations in said wellbore, the applicant shall establish the location of the kick-off point by means of a directional survey acceptable to the Division.

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT during or upon completion of directional drilling operations, the applicant shall conduct an accurate wellbore survey from the kick-off point to total depth in order that the subsurface bottomhole location, as well as the wellbore's true depth and course, may be determined.

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- (2) The applicant shall notify the supervisor of the Aztec district office of the Division of the date and time said wellbore surveys are to be conducted so that they may be witnessed. The applicant shall further provide a copy of said wellbore surveys to the Santa Fe and Aztec offices of the Division upon completion.
- (API No. 30-045-09225), located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the North and East lines (Unit A) of said Section 27, the E. E. Elliott "B" Well No. 2-A (API No. 30-045-22060), located at a standard infill gas well location 1160 feet from the North line and 880 feet from the West line (Unit D) of said Section 27, and the E. E. Elliott "B" Well No. 7, as described above, shall be attributed to the existing 320-acre standard gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the N/2 of Section 27.
- (4) Said wells and subject 320-acre GPU will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest New Mexico.
- (5) The operator shall comply with all requirements and conditions set forth in Division General Rule 111.E(2) and any applicable requirements in 111.D and F and Order No. R-8170, as amended.
- (6) Form C-105 shall be filed in accordance with Division Rule 1105 and the operator shall indicate thereon true vertical depth in addition to measured depths.
- (7) Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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WILLIAM J. LEMAY

Director

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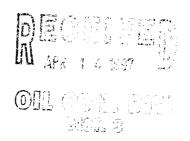
cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

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Meter Number:73947
Location Name: E.E. ELLIOTT B#7
Location: TN-30 RG-09
SC-27 UL-H
2 - Federal
NMOCD Zone: OUTSIDE
Hazard Ranking Score: 00



RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE OF PRODUCTION PITS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE VULNERABLE ZONE IN THE SAN JUAN BASIN

This production pit location was ranked according to the criteria in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Unlined Surface Impoundment Closure Guidelines and received a ranking score of zero. The estimated depth to groundwater is greater than 100-feet beneath ground surface (bgs), the pit is not in a well head protection area, and there are no surface water bodies within 1,000 horizontal feet of the pit location.

The primary source, discharge to the pit has been removed. There has been no discharge to the pits for at least 4 years and the pits have been closed for at least one year.

Each pit was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Minimal infiltration of rainfall is expected. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through clean backfill before reaching the residual hydrocarbons.

There is no source material at the ground surface, so direct contact of hydrocarbons with livestock and the populous is not likely.

In general, outside of the vulnerable area and alluvial valleys, bedrock material is generally encountered within 20 feet of the ground surface. Bedrock material in the San Juan Basin consists of interbedded sandstones, shales and clays. According to Freeze and Cherry, 1979, the hydraulic conductivity of the bedrock material are as follows:

Sandstone 10^{-9} to 10^{-13} cm/sec Shale 10^{-12} to 10^{-16} cm/sec Clay 10^{-12} to 10^{-15} cm/sec

Based on this information, the residual hydrocarbons should not migrate to groundwater.

Natural process (bioremediation) are degrading the residual hydrocarbon to carbon dioxide and water and will continue until the source is gone, therefore minimizing any impact to the environment.

Based on the above information, it is highly unlikely that any source material will impact groundwater or ever find an exposure pathway to affect human health and therefore El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of this pit location.





Meter: 73947 Location: E.E. ELLIOT B #7 Operator #: 0203 Operator Name: Amoco P/L District: Bloomfield Coordinates: Letter: H. Section 27 Township: 30 Range: 9 Or Latitude Longitude Pit Type: Dehydrator Location Drip: X Line Drip: Other: Site Assessment Date: 4.25.94 Area: 10 Run: 33							
NMOCD Zone: Land Type: BLM ☒ (1) (From NMOCD State ☒ (2) Maps) Inside ☒ (2) ☐ (3) Outside ☒ (2) ☐ (1) ☐ (3) Depth to Groundwater ☐ (1) ☐ (1) Less Than 50 Feet (20 points) ☐ (1) ☐ (2) 50 Ft to 99 Ft (10 points) ☐ (2) Greater Than 100 Ft (0 points) ☒ (3)							
Wellhead Protection Area: Is it less than 1000 ft from wells, springs, or other sources of fresh water extraction?, or; Is it less than 200 ft from a private domestic water source? (1) YES (20 points) (2) NO (0 points)							
Horizontal Distance to Surface Water Body Less Than 200 Ft (20 points) ☐ (1) 200 Ft to 1000 Ft (10 points) ☐ (2) Greater Than 1000 Ft (0 points) ☒ (3) Name of Surface Water Body							
(Surface Water Body: Perennial Rivers, Major Wash, Streams, Creeks, Irrigation Canals, Ditches, Lakes, Ponds) Distance to Nearest Ephemeral Stream (1) < 100'(Navajo Pits Only) (2) > 100'							
TOTAL HAZARD RANKING SCORE: O POINTS							
REMarks: Two PITS ON LOCATION. WILL CLOSE ONLY ONE. PIT IS REDLINE AND TOPO CONFIRMED LOCATION OUTSIDE V.Z.							
PUSH IN							

GEI RAL	Meter: 73947 Location: <u>EE Ellio+B#7</u> Coordinates: Letter: <u>I+</u> Section <u>27</u> Township: <u>30</u> Range: <u>9</u> Or Latitude Longitude Date Started: <u>5-18-94</u> Area: <u>10</u> Run: <u>35</u>
FIELD OBSERVATIONS	Sample Number(s): VW 105 Sample Depth: $9'$ Feet Final PID Reading 1 PID Reading Depth $9'$ Feet Yes No Groundwater Encountered 1 (1) 1 (2) Approximate Depth Feet
CLOSURE	Remediation Method: Excavation
REMARKS	Remarks: EPNG Ine Makers 9thit rock Signature of Specialist: Vale Wilson

(SP3191) 04/07/94



FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	VW 105	945224
MTR CODE SITE NAME:	73947	N/A
SAMPLE DATE TIME (Hrs):	5-18-94	1230
SAMPLED BY:	N/	A
DATE OF TPH EXT. ANAL.:	5-19-94	5/19/94
DATE OF BTEX EXT. ANAL.:	Ala	NA
TYPE DESCRIPTION:	V.G	Brown Course Sand

REMARKS:			

RESULTS

PARAMETER	RESULT UNITS		QUALIFIERS				
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)	
BENZENE		MG/KG					
TOLUENE		MG/KG					
ETHYL BENZENE		MG/KG					
TOTAL XYLENES		MG/KG					
TOTAL BTEX		MG/KG					
TPH (418.1)	<10	MG/KG			7.09	28	
HEADSPACE PID		PPM					
PERCENT SOLIDS	97.3	%			<u></u>		

The Surrogate Recovery was at

- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 –

The Surrogate Recovery was at

- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 –

% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.

DF =	Dilution	Factor	Used
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Narrative:

Date: 6/5/44

Test Method for Oil and Grease and Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Water and Soil

Perkin-Elmer Model 1600 FT-IR Analysis Report

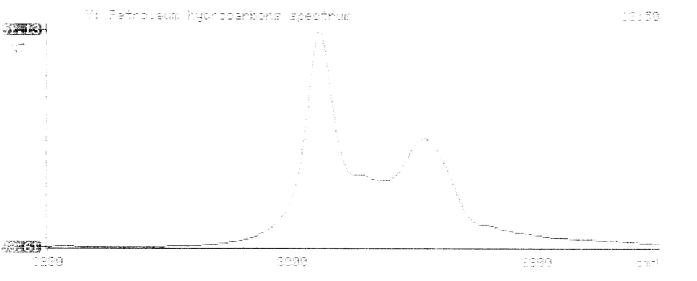
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Sample identification 745226

Initial mass of sample, g 7. Ō9Ô

Volume of sample after extraction, al

Petroleum hydrocarbons, ppm -594.367 Net absorbancs of hydrocarbons (2930 cm-1) -0.075



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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco

Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-102 Revised October 18, 1994 Instructions on back Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

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# Sperry-Sun Drilling Services | Survey Report for Elliott B 7 - Geoservice Surveys



Amoco Production Co. New Mexico

Re-Entry Wells Sec 27-T30N-R9W

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Measure Depth (ft)		. Azim.	Vertical Depth (ft)	Northings (ft)	Eastings	Vertical Section	Rate	
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3184.00		0.000	0.00	0.00 N	0.00 E	0.00		
3200.00	3.00			1.47 S	0.78 W	-0.68		
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3572.00		219.600	3571.08	20.00.0		-3.93	0.916	
3726.00		220.600	3724.92	20.99 \$	18.02 W	-5.56	0.594	
3882.00		209.600	3880.82	26.44 S	22.61 W	-7.07	0.326	
3945.00		209.300	3943.80	30.93 S	25.87 W	-8.62	0.513	
3977.00	1.300	211.700	3975.79	32.37 S	26.69 W	-9.26	0.635	
4008.00			03/3./9	32.99 S	27.05 W	-9.53	0.170	
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4037.00	3.200		4035.76	32.36 S	27.44 W	-9.35	6.199	
4068.00	3.800	400.000	4066.70	31.16 S	28.26 W	-8.29	7.309	
4100.00	5.300		4098.60	29.43 S	29.72 W	-6.44	1.939	
4131.00	6.700	323.700	4129,43	26.95 S	31.57 W	-3.94	4.904	
4162.00	9.100	330.300		20.55 0	33.65 W	-0.71	5.284	
4192.00	11.600	331.800	4160.14	23.36 S	35.93 W	3.53	0.004	
4223.00	12.400	332.100	4189.65	18.64 S	38.53 W	3.53 8.85	8.264	
4253.00	13.800		4219.97	12.95 S	41.56 W		8.381	
4284.00	15.500	332.000	4249.19	6.95 S	44.75 W	15.20	2.588	
	10.500	330.500	4279.18	0.08 S	48.53 W	21.90	4.667	
4315.00	17.200	328.000	4308.92	<b>~</b>	10.00 **	29.65	5.618	
4346.00	19.400	328.800	4338.35	7.42 N	53.00 W	38.31	5.934	
4377.00	18.800	324.800	4367.65	15.71 N	58.09 W	47.98	7.143	
4407.00	19.100	326.800	4396.02	24.19 N	63.64 W	58.09	4.643	
4439.00	20.800	326.200	4426.10	32.25 N	69.11 W	67.81	2.385	
4500.00	04		<del>111</del> 20.10	41.35 N	75.14 W	78.70	5.351	
4562.00	21.500	322.600	4482.99	59.23 N	07.00		5.551	
	24.100	323.600	4540.15	78.45 N	87.96 W	100.68	2.418	
4593.00	26.100	322.700	4568.22	88.97 N	102.37 W	124.70	4.240	
4655.00	28.600	321.800	4623.28	111.49 N	110.26 W	137.85	6.568	
4716.00	27.700	325.300	4677.07	134.62 N	127.70 W	166.33	4.087	
4747.00	27.100	327.000			144.81 W	195.09	3.082	
4778.00	27.100	327.000	4704.59	146.46 N	152.75 W	209.32	0.400	
4809.00	28.400	326.700	4732.19	158.32 N	160.42 W	223.40	3.180	
4840.00	30.800	326.300	4759.62	170.42 N	168.30 W	237.78	0.294	
1872.00	32.100	324.100	4786.58	183.18 N	176.75 W	253.05	4.260	
		324.100	4813.88	196.89 N	186.28 W	269.72	7.768	
1904.00	34.100	323.200	4840.68	210 00 N		209.72	5.419	
935.00	37.300	324.700	4865.85	210.96 N 225.59 N	196.64 W	287.19	6.436	
966.00	40.800	326.300	4889.92	241.69 N	207.28 W	305.27	10.701	
028.00	43.200	325.100	4936.00	241.09 N	218.33 W		11.748	
090.00	44.000	325.000	4980.89	275.95 N	241.71 W	366.17	4.082	
151.00	44.400	205.45-		310.99 N	266.21 W	408.87	1.295	
	43.300	325.100	5024.63	345.85 N	290.57 W	464.00		
	44.500	325.700	5091.69	398.88 N	327.15 W	451.35 515.00	0.666	
	43.900	327.000	5158.70	452.56 N	362.88 W	515.68	1.264	
	43.100	326.500	5180.93	470.64 N	374.73 W	580.00	1.614	
		325.500	5269.42	540.26 N	421.68 W		2.238	
					1.00 44	685.34	0.865	

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### Sperry-Sun Drilling Services



Survey Report for Elliott B 7 - Geoservice Surveys

#### Amoco Production Co. New Mexico

Re-Entry Wells Sec 27-T30N-R9W

Measured Depth (ft)	inci.	Azim.	Vertical Depth (ft)	Northings (ft)	Eastings (ft)	Vertical Section (ft)	Dogleg Rate (°/100ft)
5520.00	41.900	325.200	5291.54	556.93 <b>N</b>	433.21 W	705.58	4.057
5566.00	41.900	325.200	5325.78	582.16 <b>N</b>	450.74 W	736.26	0.000

All data is in feet unless otherwise stated. Directions and coordinates are relative to True North. Vertical depths are relative to Well. Northings and Eastings are relative to Well.

The Dogleg Severity is in Degrees per 100ft.

Vertical Section is from Well and calculated along an Azimuth of 322.251° (True).

Based upon Minimum Curvature type calculations, at a Measured Depth of 5566.00ft., The Bottom Hole Displacement is 736.26ft., in the Direction of 322.251° (True).

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