

# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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

December 14, 1998

Koch Exploration Company 20 East Greenway Plaza - 6th Floor Houston, Texas 77046-2002 Attention: Lance F. Harmon



Administrative Order NSL-4179

Dear Mr. Harmon:

Reference is made to your application dated November 20, 1998 and to the records of the Division in Santa Fe concerning Koch Exploration Company's request for an initial non-standard Blanco-Mesaverde gas well location within a proposed standard lay-down 315.05-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, the W/2 NW/4, and the SE/4 NW/4 (N/2 equivalent) of Section 20, Township 30 North, Rappe 11 West, NMPM, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, San Juan County, New Mexico for the existing Carle Well No. 2 (API No. 30-045-09400).

This well was initially drilled in 1953 by Wood River Oil & Refining Company, Inc. to a total depth of 2161 feet and completed in the Aztec Pictured Cliffs Pool. Lots 1, 2, 4, and 5 (NE/4 equivalent) of Section 20, being a standard 155.46-acre gas spacing and proration unit was dedicated to this well. The original "Application for Permit to Drill" showed this well location to be 790 feet from the North line and 1650 feet from the East line of Section 20. On subsequent forms the location was reported to be 810 feet from the North line and 1585 feet from the East line.

It is our understanding this location should be changed again to reflect a resurvey of Section 20 by the U. S. Lands Survey in 1974 to be 777 feet from the North line and 1635 feet from the East line (Lot 2/Unit B) of Section 20. Also, Koch now intends to re-enter this well, plug off the Pictured Cliffs interval, and deepen to the Mesaverde formation. Pursuant to the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987 the 777' FNL & 1635' FEL location is considered to be unorthodox.

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

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

Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

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Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

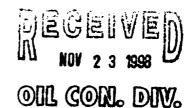


### KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY

November 20, 1998

Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Street P.O. Box 6429 Santa Fe, NM 87505

Application for Unorthodox Location Carle 2 Well 777' FNL, 1835' FEL Section 20-30N-R11W N/2 Spacing Unit Blanco Mesaverde Pool San Juan County, New Mexico



Koch Exploration Company hereby requests administrative approval for an unorthodox well location for the Carle 2 well in the Blanco Mesaverde Pool. Koch intends to deepen this existing well at an unorthodox location from the Pictured Cliff formation to access reserves which would otherwise be bypassed with the current well density. The unorthodox location resulted from a township resurvey conducted by the BLM in 1974 after the well was drilled causing the northern section line to be redrawn south of original layout. As such, this proposed well will be located slightly less than the standard 790' setback from the outer boundary of the spacing unit.

A copy of this application will be submitted to the offset operators by certified mail with a request that they furnish your Santa Fe office with a Waiver of Objection, and return one copy to this office. Attached are plats showing the location of the well, offset operators, and all Mesaverde wells drilled in the area.

Sincerely,

Lance F. Harmon Land Manager

Attachments

cc:

NMOCD - Aztec District 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, NM 87410

Ernie Busch

Doug Van Brunt, Koch Don Johnson, Koch Stan Bennett, Koch

### Waiver

hereby waives objection to Koch's application for an unorthodox well locat				
for the Carle 2 well described above.				
Ву:	Date:			

# APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX LOCATION UNDER RULE 104-F

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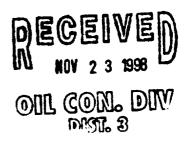
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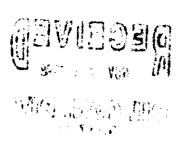
- 9-SECTION PLAT SHOWING LOCATION OF ALL OFFSET WELLS
- FORM C-102 FOR MESAVERDE FORMATION
- LIST OF ALL OFFSET OPERATORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

## LIST OF ADDRESSES FOR OFFSET OPERATORS

#### CARLE 2

 Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Co. P.O. Box 4289
 Farmington, NM 87499





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