



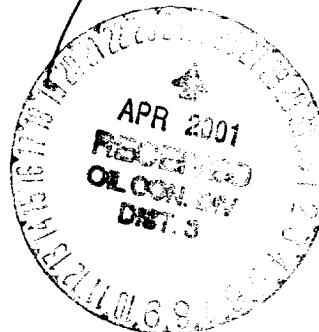
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Amoco Production Company
San Juan Business Unit
501 West Lake Park Boulevard
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Attention: Mary Corley

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Re: Elliott Gas Com. Well No. 1-M (API No. 30-045-30572) to be drilled from a surface location 2200 feet from the North line and 980 feet from the East line (Unit H) of Section 26, Township 30 North, Range 9 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, to a bottomhole location within the Basin-Dakota Pool 2200 feet from the South line and 800 feet from the East line (Unit I) of Section 26.

Dear Ms. Corley:

I assume there are geological as well as topographical reasons why Amoco is directionally drilling this well as proposed. To supplement your request could you please state these reasons in a letter with the appropriate attachments prepared by a geologist and/or reservoir engineer. In this instance it would also help if you could send a proposed directional drilling schematic. Thanks.

Sincerely

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: **New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec**
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington
William F. Carr, Legal Counsel for Amoco Production Company - Santa Fe