

May 24, 1996

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Street P. O. Box 6429 Santa Fe, NM 87505

Atlantic LS #2R Well
Unit G Section 24-T31N-R10W
Blanco Mesaverde Pool
San Juan County, New Mexico



Referencing our telephone conversation, Amoco hereby requests permission to use an existing Directional Drilling Order for a replacement well to be drilled 40 feet to the north and 20 feet to the east of the original well location. Amoco originally applied under Rule 111 (Amended by Order No. R-10388) to directionally drill a high angle/horizontal well from the existing Atlantic LS #2 wellbore located at 1650' FNL and 1450' FEL Section 24-T31N-R10W. Permission was granted under Administrative Order DD-134. During the sidetracking of this wellbore, drillpipe was stuck in the well which eventually led to abandonment of the wellbore.

Presently, Amoco requests permission to use this existing Directional Drilling order for the replacement well to be drilled at a surface location of 1610' FNL and 1430' FEL on the same drilling pad. This will be a new well, however, it is our plan to use the same kickoff point to directionally drill to a similar bottomhole location. We plan to set our 7 inch casing at 3568' and drill directionally from below that casing point. In the original well we began our window at 3772'. We plan to stay in the same drilling producing window and the Project Area (E/2 Section 24, T31N-R10W) remains the same. Attached is a copy of the order referred to above.

Since we plan to spud the new well as soon as we receive our drilling permits, we would appreciate your assistance in expediting our request.

Should there be questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (303) 830-5344.

Sincerely/

Pamela W. Staley 8

### **Enclosures**

cc:

Mike Kutas Steve Webb

Gail Jefferson

Wellfile

Proration File

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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### **DIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

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

March 27, 1996

Amoco Production Company Southern Rockies Business Unit P. O. Box 800 Denver, Colorado 80201 Attention: J. W. Hawkins

Administrative Order DD-134

Dear Mr. Hawkins:

Reference is made to Amoco Production Company's application dated February 2, 1996 for authorization to recomplete the existing Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2 (API No. 30-045-10585) by side tracking off of the vertical portion of the wellbore and drill a high angle slant hole to a pre-determined bottom-hole location in order to further develop the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool underlying its existing 271.94-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, and 14 (E/2 equivalent) of Section 24, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

### The Division Director Finds That:

- 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 11,274 on June 13, 1995;
- (2) The Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2, located at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the North line and 1450 feet from the East line (Lot 6/Unit G) of said Section 24, was originally drilled and completed in 1953 as an initial Blanco-Mesaverde gas well, and was assigned the above-described 271.94-acre GPU;
- 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 be 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;

- (4) Within this GPU Amoco is also producing Blanco-Mesaverde gas from its Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2-A (API No. 30-045-22992), located at a standard infill gas well location 1520 feet from the South line and 880 feet from the East line (Lot 8\Unit I) of said Section 24;
- (5) A high angle slant hole drilled off of the existing vertical wellbore in the Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2 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 well;
- The applicant/operator proposes to kick-off from vertical at a depth of approximately 4,000 feet by milling a window in the existing production casing, drill in an easterly direction, build to an angle of approximately 25.5 degrees and continue drilling in such a manner as to bottom back into the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool, with total horizontal displacement of said wellbore to be approximately 660 feet;
- (7) The applicable drilling window or "producing area" for said wellbore should include that area within the NE/4 equivalent of said Section 24 that is no closer than 790 feet to the quarter section lines; and,
- (8) 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 existing Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2 (API No. 30-045-10585), located at a standard gas well location 1650 feet from the North line and 1450 feet from the East line (Lot 6/Unit G) of Section 24, Township 31 North, Range 10 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, by milling a window in the existing production casing at a depth of approximately 4,000 feet, kick-off from vertical in an easterly direction, build to an angle of approximately 25.5 degrees and continue drilling in such a manner as to bottom back into the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool (total horizontal displacement of said wellbore to be approximately 660 feet) within a drilling window or "producing area" comprising the NE/4 equivalent of said Section 24 that is no closer than 790 feet to the quarter section lines.

PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT 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.

- 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.
- Blanco-Mesaverde gas production from both the existing Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2-A (API No. 30-045-22992), located at a standard infill gas well location 1520 feet from the South line and 880 feet from the East line (Lot 8/Unit I) of said Section 24, and Atlantic "LS" Well No. 2, as described above, shall be attributed to the existing 271.94-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, and 14 (E/2 equivalent) of said Section 24.
- 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.
- 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. (5)
- Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may (6) deem necessary.

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

WILLIAM J. LIMAY

Director

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Oil Conservation Division - Aztec cc:

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington

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Lot 6

# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Romunecos Department

### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION PO Box 2088 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Form C-102 Revised February 21, 1994 Instructions on back Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - J Copies

MENDED REPORT

### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

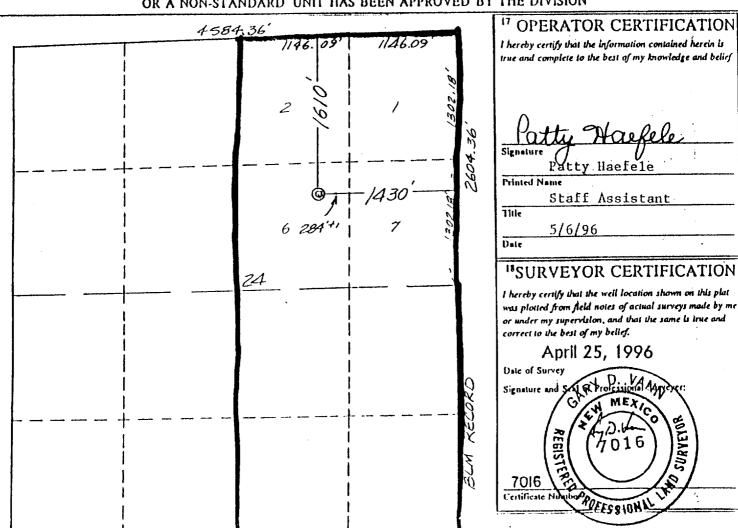
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| 4 Property Code       | 5 Property Name          |             |         |               |                  |               |                | Well Number |  |
| 000278                | ATLANTIC LS              |             |         |               |                  |               |                | # 2R        |  |
| 'OGRID No.            | ' Operator Name          |             |         |               |                  |               |                | Elevation   |  |
| 000778                | AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY |             |         |               |                  |               |                | 6571        |  |
|                       |                          |             |         | 10 Surface    | Location         |               |                |             |  |
| UL or lot no. Section | Township                 | Range       | Lot Idn | Feet from the | North/South line | Feet from the | East/West line | County      |  |

NORTH SAN JUAN 31 N 10 W 1610 **EAST** 1430

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

North/South line Feet from the East/West line Lot Idn Feet from the County UL or lot no. Section Township " Order No. 14 Consolidation Code " Dedicated Acres "Joint or Infill 271.94

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION



Form 3160-5 (June 1990)

# UNIT STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

#### FORM APPROVED Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135 Expires: March 31, 1993

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| SUNDRY NOTICES AN  Do not use this form for proposals to drill or   | Lease Designation and Serial No.     NM-013688                                |  |  |  |
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|   |   | 7. If Unit or CA, Agreement Designation  |  |  |
| . Type of Well Oli Well Well Other                                  |   | B. Well Name and No.   |  |  |
| . Name of Operator  |   | /  |  |  |
| •   | Attention:  | Atlantic LS 2  |  |  |
| Amoco Production Company  | Patty Haefele   | 9. API Well No.  |  |  |
| B. Address and Telephone No.  |   | 3004510585   |  |  |
| P.O. Box 800, Denver, CO 8020                                       | (303) 830-4988  | 10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area  |  |  |
| Location of Well  Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description  |   | Blanco Mesaverde   |  |  |
|   |   | 11. County or Parish, State  |  |  |
| 1650' FNL 1450' FEL S   | Sec. 24 T 31N R 10W Unit G  |  |  |  |
|   |   | San Juan New Mexico  |  |  |
| 2. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s  | ) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, I   | REPORT, OR OTHER DATA  |  |  |
| TYPE OF SUBMISSION  | TYPE OF ACTION  |  |  |  |
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| Notice of intent  | Abendonment   | Change of Plene  |  |  |
| Notice of Intent  | Recompletion  | New Construction   |  |  |
| Subsequent Report   | Plugging Back   | Non-Routine Fracturing   |  |  |
|   | Caeing Repair   | Water Shut-Off   |  |  |
| Final Abandonment Notice  | Altering Ceeing Other Sidetrack   | Conversion to injection  |  |  |
|   |   | Dispose Water  |  |  |
|   | (Note: Re;<br>Recompte  | pert results of multiple completion on Well Completion or<br>tion Report and Log form. |  |  |
| 3. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all per | linent dateils, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of startic | ng any proposed work . If well is directionally drilled give                           |  |  |

subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markers and zones pertinent to this work.)\*

Amoco Production Company requests permission to sidetrack this wellbore in the Mesaverde per the attached procedure.

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|---|-------|-----------------|------|------------|--|--|--|
| 14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct   |       |                 |      |            |  |  |  |
| Signed Patty Haefele  | Title | Staff Assistant | Dete | 02-05-1996 |  |  |  |
| (This opace for Foderal or State Affice use)  |       |                 |      |            |  |  |  |
| Approved by Conditions of approval, if any:   | Title |                 | Date |            |  |  |  |
| File 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, ficticious, or fraudulent statements or epiesentallors as to any matter within its jurisdiction. |       |                 |      |            |  |  |  |
| * See Instructions on Reverse Side  |       |                 |      |            |  |  |  |