



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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*Administrative Order NSL-4881*

Dear Ms. Cole:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on April 22, 2003 (*administrative application reference No. pKRV0-311333197*); and (ii) the records of the Division in Aztec and Santa Fe, including the file on Division Administrative Order DHC-3105: all concerning Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company's ("Burlington") request for an exceptions to the well location requirements provided within the:

(a) the "*Special Rules for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-A, issued in Case No. 12069 and dated February 1, 1999, as amended by Division Order No. R-10987-A (1), dated December 2, 2002;

(b) the "*Special Rules for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-B, issued in Case No. 12290 and dated June 30, 2000, as amended by Division Orders No. R-10987-B (1), dated August 10, 2000, and R-10987-B (2), dated January 29, 2002; and

(c) Division Rule 104.C (3), revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999.

Burlington proposes to drill its San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 93-M (API No. 30-039-26894) at an unorthodox gas well location in the Blanco-Mesaverde (72319), Basin-Dakota (71599), and Undesignated La Jara-Pictured Cliffs (96199) Pools (see Division Administrative Order DHC-3105, dated February 4, 2003) 540 feet from the South line and 340 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 33, Township 30 North, Range 7 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing both the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools.

Gas production from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 33, which is currently dedicated to Burlington's: (i) San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 93 (API No. 30-039-07725), located at a standard gas well location 1800 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the West line (Unit K) of Section 33; and (ii) San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 93-A (API No. 30-039-25806), located at a standard infill gas well location 1655 feet from the North line and 880 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 33.

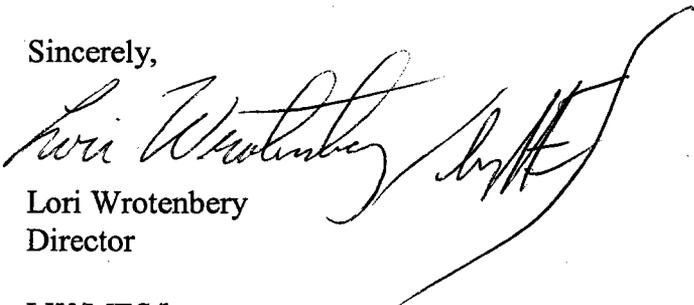
The W/2 of Section 33 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit for the Basin-Dakota Pool.

The SW/4 of Section 33 is to be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 160-acre spacing unit for the Undesignated La Jara-Pictured Cliffs Pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), as revised, and the applicable provisions governing the Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota Pools, the above-described unorthodox: (i) infill Blanco-Mesaverde gas well location; (ii) initial Basin-Dakota gas well location; and (iii) La Jara-Pictured Cliffs gas well location, for Burlington's proposed San Juan "30-6" Unit Well No. 93-M is hereby approved.

Further, the three above-described Mesaverde gas wells (San Juan "30-6" Unit Wells No. 93, 93-A, and 93-M) and both 320-acre stand-up Blanco-Mesaverde and Basin-Dakota gas spacing and proration units 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  
File: DHC-3105 ✓