



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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June 28, 2011

McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc.  
Attn: E. Reed Fischer  
1050 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2500  
Denver, CO 80265

## Administrative Order NSL-6407

**Re: McElvain Well No. 11**  
**API No. 30-025-40108**  
**900 feet FNL & 1170 feet FWL**  
**Unit D, Section 31-18S-34E**  
**Lea County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Fischer:

Reference is made to the following:

(a) your application (**administrative application reference No. pTGW11-16454587**) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico on June 13, 2011, and

(b) the Division's records pertinent to this request.

McElvain Oil & Gas Properties, Inc. (McElvain) [OGRID 22044] has requested to drill the above-referenced well at an unorthodox oil well location, described above in the caption of this letter. The W/2 NW/4 of Section 31 will be dedicated to this well in order to form a standard 80-acre oil spacing and proration unit in the E-K Bone Spring Pool (21650). Spacing in this pool is governed by the Special Rules and Regulations for the E-K-Bone Spring Pool, as promulgated in Order No. R-4981, issued on March 11, 1975, which provide for 80-acre units comprising two adjacent quarter-quarter sections within the same section, with wells to be located no more than 150 feet from the center of a quarter-quarter section. This location is more than 150 feet from the center of Unit D.

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Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 [19.15.15.13 NMAC] and 4.12.A(2) [19.15.4.12.A(2) NMAC].

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location to comply with United States Bureau of Land Management surface siting requirements.

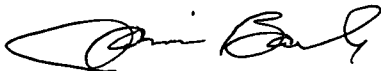
It is also understood that notice of this application to offsetting operators or owners is unnecessary due to common ownership.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9 [19.15.5.9 NMAC].

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jami Bailey", is written over a horizontal line.

Jami Bailey  
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs  
United States Bureau of Land Management