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WPX Energy Production, LLC Attn: Ms. Gabrielle Gerholt

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION, AND NON-STANDARD PRORATION UNIT

Administrative Order NSL-7175 Administrative Application Reference No. pMAM1427230792

Administrative Order NSP-2008 Administrative Application Reference No. pMAM1427231897

WPX Energy Production, LLC OGRID 120782 Chaco 2308-03E Well No. 403H API No. 30-045-35588

Non-Standard Location

Proposed Location:

	Footages	Unit/Lot	Sec.	Twsp	Range	County_
Surface	1906 FNL & 208 FEL	E	3	23N	8W	San Juan
Penetration Point	1125 FNL & 380 FEL	1	4	23N	8W	San Juan
Terminus	330 FNL & 230 FWL	4	4	23N	8W	San Juan

Proposed Project Area:

Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
N/2 N/2 of Section 4	159.6	Basin Mancos	97232

Reference is made to your application received on September 26, 2014.

You have requested to drill this horizontal well at an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 19.15.15.9.A NMAC, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary, and Rule 19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC concerning directional wells in

designated project areas. This surface location is outside the project area, and is permitted by Rule 19.15.16.15.B (4) NMAC which allows for surface locations outside project area. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed completed interval are less than 330 feet to the outside boundaries of the proposed project area.

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

It is our understanding that WPX is seeking this location to efficiently develop this acreage.

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 19.15.15.13 (B) NMAC, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

Non-Standard Proration Unit

You have also requested approval of a non-standard proration unit to be included in your proposed project area, as follows:

Units Comprising this Project Area

<u>Unit</u>	Acres	Pool	Code	
N/2 N/2 of Section 4	159.6	Basin Mancos	97232	

You have requested an exception pursuant to Rule 19.15.16.7.M NMAC, to approve a non-standard oil spacing and proration unit comprising 159.6-acres, consisting of the entire area described above as the Subject Unit or Project Area.

It is our understanding that WPX is seeking this approval because two previous NSPs had been filed for the N/2 S/2, and the S/2 N/2 of this section.

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 19.15.15.11.B(2), the above-described non-standard proration unit is hereby approved.

General provisions

The above approvals are subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 19.15.5.9 NMAC.

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

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DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on October 20, 2014

Jami Bailey Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec Bureau of Land Management - Farmington