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Apache Corporation c/o Permits West, Inc. Attn: Mr. Brian Wood

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6620 Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG12-11529526

Apache Corporation OGRID 873 Washington 33 State Well No. 41 API No. 30-015-40018

Proposed Location:

Footages	Unit	Section	Township	Range	County
1020 FNL & 505 FEL	A.	33	17S	28E	Eddy

Proposed Unit:

Description	Acres Pool	Pool Code
NE/4 NE/4 of Section 33	40 Artesia; Glorieta-Yeso	96830

Reference is made to your application received on April 23, 2012.

You have requested to drill or re-complete this well at an unorthodox oil well location described above, in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A [19.15.15.9.A NMAC], which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is less than 330 feet from a unit boundary.

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 avoid interference with an existing pipeline.

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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 [19.15.15.9 NMAC].

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

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia

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