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June 18, 2012

Apache Corporation

Attn: Mr. David Catanach

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6644 Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG12-14653626

Apache Corporation
OGRID 873
D State Well No. 76
API No. 30-015-40309

Proposed Location:

Footages	Unit	Section	Township	Range	County
2270 FSL & 1040 FEL	I	25	17S	28E	Eddy

Proposed Unit:

Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
NE/4 SE/4 of Section 25	40	Artesia; Glorieta-Yeso	 96830

Reference is made to your application received on May 25, 2012.

You have requested to drill 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 outer 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 maintain a safe distance from a public highway.

It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

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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

JB/db

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia New Mexico State Land Office

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