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Cimarex Energy Co.
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ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION ORDER

Administrative Order NSL-6692
Administrative Application Reference No. pKVR1224331605

Cimarex Energy Co.
OGRID 215099
Chief 30 State Well No. 2H
API No. 30-025-40694

Proposed Location:

	<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Twsp</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
Surface	1880 FSL & 300 FWL	L	30	20S	35E	Lea
Penetration Point	1880 FSL & 330 FWL	L	30	20S	35E	Lea
Terminus	1325 FSL & 330 FEL	I	30	20S	35E	Lea

Proposed Project Area:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
N/2 S/2 of Section 30	160.12	undesignated North Berry; Bone Spring	5535

Reference is made to your application received on August 28, 2012.

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 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, and Rule 15.16.14.B(2) [19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC] concerning directional wells in designated project areas. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed completed interval are less than 330 feet from an outer boundary of the project area.

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 for engineering reasons.

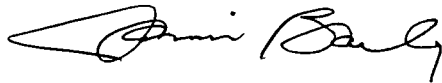
It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jami Bailey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jami" and last name "Bailey" clearly distinguishable.

Jami Bailey
Director

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