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**Attention: Richard Corcoran
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Administrative Order NSL-5378

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated April 24, 2006 that was submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe, New Mexico on April 27, 2006 (*administrative application reference No. pTDS0-611836163*); (ii) your telephone voice mail message for Mr. Michael E. Stogner, Staff Engineer with the Division in Santa Fe, on Tuesday afternoon, May 16, 2006 checking on the status of your application; and (iii) the Division's records in Aztec and Santa Fe: all concerning CDX Rio, L.L.C.'s ("CDX") request for an exceptions to the well location requirements provided within the:

(A) "*Special Rules for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-A, issued in Case No. 12069 and dated February 1, 1999, as amended by Division Order No. R-10987-A (1), dated December 2, 2002; and

(B) "*Special Rules for the Basin-Dakota Pool*," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-B, issued in Case No. 12290 and dated June 30, 2000, as amended by Division Orders No. R-10987-B (1), dated August 10, 2000, and R-10987-B (2), dated January 29, 2002.

CDX proposes to drill its Jicarilla "A" Well No. 6-F (**API No. 30-039-29644**) at an unorthodox infill gas well location in both the Blanco-Mesaverde (**72319**) and Basin-Dakota (**71599**) Pools 605 feet from the North line and 1900 feet from the West line (Unit C) of Section 20, Township 26 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Gas production from the deeper Basin-Dakota Pool is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the W/2 of Section 20, which is currently dedicated to CDX's two: (i) Jicarilla "A" Well No. 6 (**API No. 30-039-08137**), located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 1090 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 20; and (ii) Jicarilla "A" Well No. 6-E (**API No. 30-039-22898**), located at a standard infill gas well location 1760 feet from the North line and 930 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 20.

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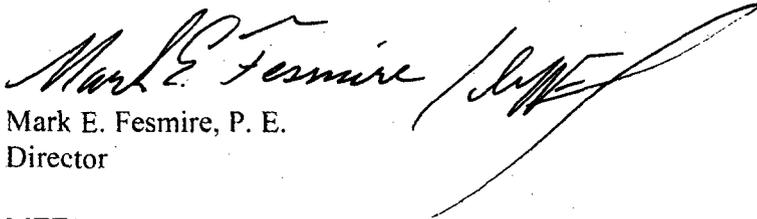
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Gas production from the shallower Blanco-Mesaverde Pool is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up GPU that also comprises the W/2 of Section 20 and is currently dedicated to CDX's Jicarilla "A" Well No. 9 (API No. 30-039-21643), located at a standard gas well location 980 feet from the North line and 835 feet from the West line (Unit D) of Section 20.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing both pools.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox Basin-Dakota/Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location for CDX's proposed Jicarilla "A" Well No. 6-F is hereby approved. All of the aforementioned wells and both spacing units will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,



Mark E. Fesmire, P. E.

Director

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cc: U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Farmington
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec
