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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE Application Acronyms: [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling] [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement] [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion] [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase] [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response] TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A] [1] Logation - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication [A] NSP SD Check One Only for [B] or [C] Commingling - Storage - Measurement IB1 ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery [C] П WFX П PMX П SWD П IPI П EOR П PPR DI Other: Specify_ NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply [2] Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners [A] Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner [B] [C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice IDI Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or, E Waivers are Attached SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE [3] OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE. CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that no action will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division. Note: Statement : wust/be completed/by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity. Attorney for applicant James Bruce Print or Type Name jamesbruc@aol.com e-mail Address

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April 28, 2006

Hand Delivered

Michael E. Stogner Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to Division Rule 104.F(2), Apache Corporation applies for administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for the following well:

Well Name:

Hawk A Well No. 20

Well Location:

1510 feet FNL & 1370 FEL

Well Unit:

SW1/4NE1/4 of Section 8 Township 21 South, Range 37 East,

N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

The well will test the Grayburg formation (Penrose Skelly Pool) and San Andres formation (Undesignated North Eunice-San Andres Gas Pool). The Penrose Skelly Pool is developed on statewide rules, with 40 acre spacing, and wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to a quarter-quarter section line. (The North Eunice-San Andres Gas Pool is developed on statewide 160 acre spacing. The location is orthodox in the San Andres, and there are no San Andres wells in the NE¼ of Section 8.)

The application is based on engineering reasons. A complete discussion, with exhibits, is attached as Exhibit A (which includes a Form C-102). The well is located approximately equidistant between Grayburg wells in the quarter section. The well data shows that wells in the Grayburg drain less than 40 acres. Therefore, the proposed location will recover undrained reserves in the Grayburg. The SW½NE½ will be simultaneously dedicated to the proposed well and the existing Hawk A Well No. 10.

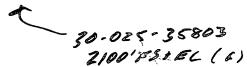


Exhibit B is a land plat. The Hawk A (federal) lease, which has common ownership in the Grayburg and San Andres formations, covers the NE¼ of Section 8 and the W½NW¼ of Section 9. No offset owner is adversely affected by the application, and notice has not been provided to anyone.

Please call me if you need any further information on this matter.

Very truly yours,

ames Bruce

Attorney for Apache Corporation

Application of Apache Corporation for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location:

40 acres – 1510' FNL & 1370' FEL
Section 8, Township 21 South, Range 37 East, NMPM
Lea County, New Mexico

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE: GRAYBURG

SECONDARY OBJECTIVE: SAN ANDRES

In support:

1. Apache Corporation (Apache) is the operator of the proposed **Hawk A #20** well (**Exhibit 1**). The proposed total depth is 4400' in the San Andres formation.

2. The location encroaches toward the following Penrose Skelly; Grayburg Oil wells (Exhibit 2).

OPER	WELL	LOC	RESERVOIR	CUM	DAILY
				O/G/W	O/G/W
Apache	Hawk A #13	08-B	Grayburg	13/60/68	10/64/31
Apache	Hawk A #12	08-A	Grayburg	14/46/49	9/55/35
Apache	Hawk A #10	08-G	Grayburg	35/123/124	17/208/77
Apache	Hawk A #11	08-H	Grayburg	11/66/67	10/41/35

Oil in MBO BOPD
Gas in MMCFG MCFGPD
Water in MBW BWPD

- 3. The proposed location is approximately 1700' northeast of the boundary of North Eunice San Andres Gas Pool. It is a Standard Location assuming 160 A gas spacing for the North Eunice San Andres Gas Pool. There are no, and have been no, San Andres producers within this 160 A Drilling and Spacing Unit. Apache will test the San Andres and if it should prove productive of oil; the appropriate applications will be made at that time to place the acreage into an oil pool and to obtain Non-Standard Location approval.
- 4. The proposed **Hawk A #20** unorthodox Grayburg location of 1510' from north line and 1370' from east line is based on drainage considerations.

a) Grayburg Reservoir

The Grayburg is a series of alternating subtidal and supratidal dolomites, with the subtidal rock having porosity and hydrocarbons and the supratidal rock being tight. The Grayburg environments varied rapidly so



that porous and tight intervals do not necessarily correlate well-to-well. Tight dolomite and/or anhydrite intervals within the Grayburg additionally create vertical hydraulic barriers between different zones of porosity. Average porosity of the Grayburg is less than 10%, and average permeability is less than 1 millidarcy. Grayburg wells are thus not capable of draining the 40 Acre Spacing Unit.

The reservoir was analyzed by mapping hydrocarbon pore volume (SoPhiH) (**Exhibit 3**). SoPHiH is the product of feet of net pay (H) times average porosity (PhiA) times oil saturation (So). The values were obtained as follows:

- Net Pay was read from modern neutron-density logs which have contractor calculated cross-plotted porosity (XPhi) using a minimum of 6% and a maximum of 18%. Additionally, gamma ray (40 APIU) and water saturation (10% - 50%, using a standard equation with a=1 and m=n=2) cutoffs were also employed.
- Average Porosity was calculated for intervals meeting those criteria.
- 3. Oil Saturation is the additive inverse of water saturation using a standard equation with a=1 and m=n=2.

The following table provides drainage areas calculated from the SoPhiH map and reserves of the offsetting wells.

OPER	WELL	LOC	AREA A	EUR MBO	EUR MMCFG
Apache	Hawk A #13	08-B	19	53	336
Apache	Hawk A #12	08-A	19	49	273
Apache	Hawk A #10	08-G	31	115	1034
Apache	Hawk A #11	08-H	18	47	310

The intent of the well is to recover reserves that cannot be recovered by the existing wells. The location was placed in the center of the vacant area between those existing wells. The location was then moved due to surface conditions and cultural obstructions.

Reserves for the proposed location were calculated by planimetering the undrained area of the SoPhiH isopach which lies under a drainage circle (the size of which is the average of the direct offset drainage areas) centered on the proposed location. Any competitive drainage is shared between the proposed well and the existing offset wells. The results are as follows:

WELL	LOC	SoPhiH	AREA A	EUR MBO	EUR MMCFG
Hawk A #20	08-G	4.51	18	56	451

5. Notice

Apache is the operator of the Grayburg wells toward which the proposed well will encroach. This location is contained within one oil and gas lease (Hawk A Federal Lease NM 031741(a) which includes, among other acreage, all of NE/4 §8) with common working and revenue interest owners. Therefore, there are no adversely affected parties and no one was notified of the application.

6. Approval of this application will afford the interest owners in this spacing unit an opportunity to recover oil and gas which would not otherwise be recovered.

State of New Mexico

DISTRICT I 1625 N. FRENCH DR., BODDS, NM 88240

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

1220 SOUTH ST. FRANCIS DR.

Form C-102

Revised JUNE 10, 2003

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Submit to Appropriate District Office State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

DISTRICT II
1301 W. GRAND AVENUE, ARTESIA, NM 88210

DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Azlec. NM 87410

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

DISTRICT IV WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT AMENDED REPORT 1220 S. ST. PRANCIS DR., SANTA FZ. NM 87505 Pool Code Pool Name API Number Property Code Property Name Well Number HAWK A 20 Operator Name Elevation OGRID No. APACHE CORPORATION 3522

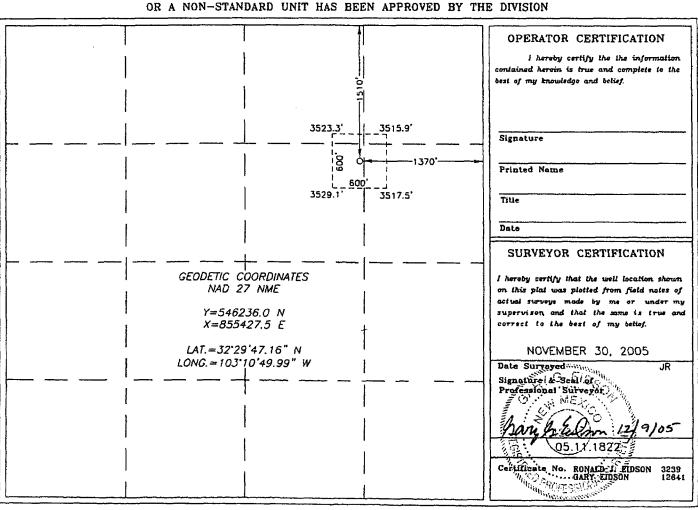
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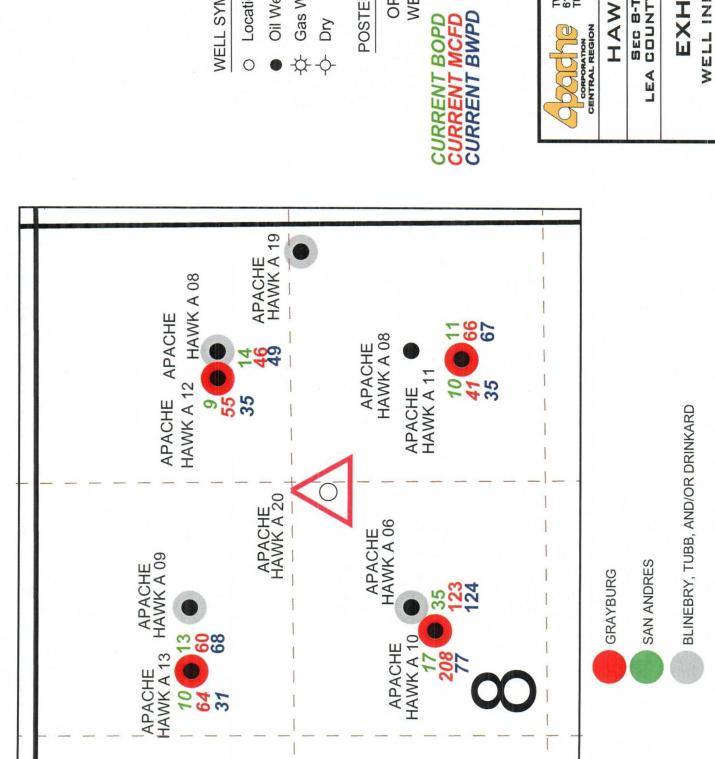
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WELL SYMBOLS

- Location Only
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- Gas Well
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POSTED WELL DATA

WELL LABEL **OPERATOR**

MMCFG MBO

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TWO WARREN PLACE, SUITE 1500 6120 SOUTH YALE TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74136-4224

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LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO SEC 8-T215-R37E

EXHIBIT

WELL INFORMATION

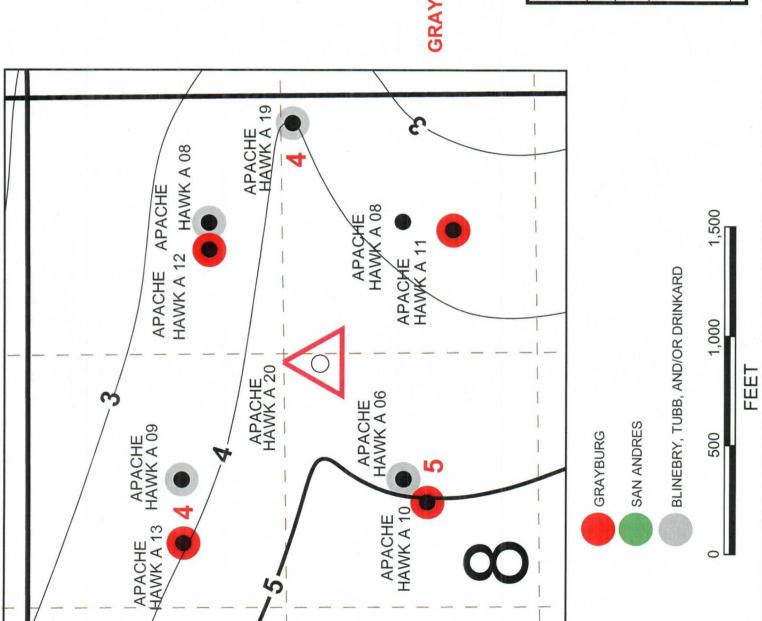
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WELL SYMBOLS

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POSTED WELL DATA

OPERATOR WELL LABEL

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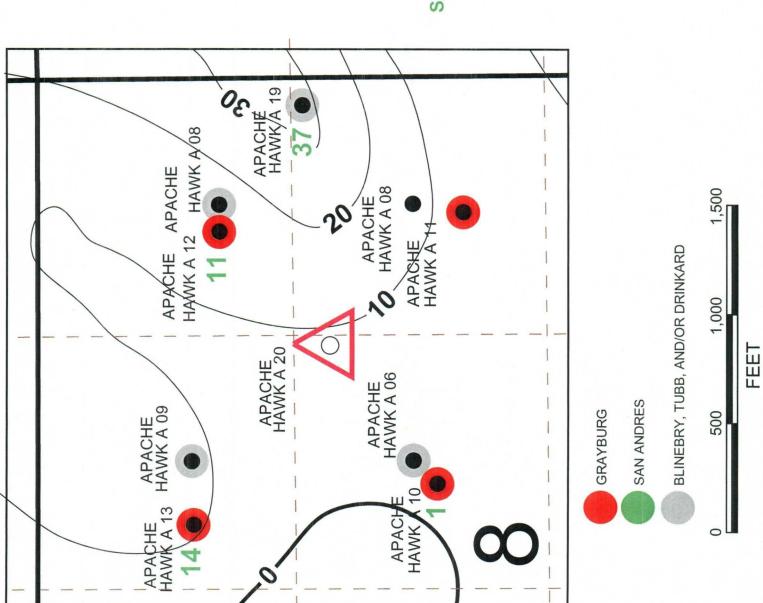
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EXHIBIT 3

GRAYBURG SOPHIH

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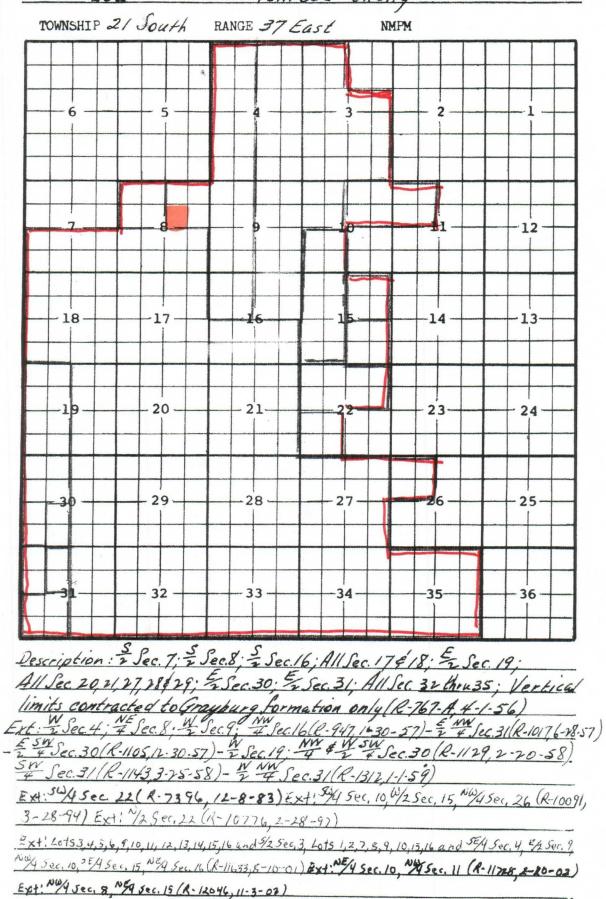
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