United States Smelting **Refining & Mining Company** P. O. Box 1877 Midland, Texas

Attention: Mr. George S. Anderson

Administrative Order NSL-42

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for approval of an unorthodox well location for your Jicarilla Well No. 1-33 to be located 490 feet from the South line and 620 feet from the West line and in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 33, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, Undesignated Pictured Cliff Gas Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

It is our understanding that this unorthodox well location is based. upon extreme topographic conditions in the SE/4 of said section.

By authority granted me under provisions of Rule 104-(f) of the Statewide Rules and Regulations, you are hereby granted an exception to Rule 104-(b) of the Statewide Rules and Regulations for the above described unorthodox well location. You must also obtain like approval from the U.S. Geological Survey.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, JR. Acting Secretary-Director

WWM:ds

cc: Oil Conservation Commission - Aztec

U. S. Geological Survey - Farmington