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November 10, 1977

New Mexico Oil **Conservation** Commission Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attn: Mr. Joe D. Ramey

Unorthodox Location; Re: H. L. Brown, Jr's Arco State, Well #1, Section 16, T-16-S, R-32-E, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

The above referenced well location is staked 1150 feet FEL and 330 feet FNL of Section 16 in Unit "a". There is an existing well at the Unit center (660 feet FE & NL). Our initial intent was to stake the subject well immediately west of the existing well; however, an east-west overhead electric service line caused us to move to the north. As you can determine from the enclosed topographic map of the area, there is a slope down to the northeast in Unit "a" and eventually grades down into a dry lake bed.

Our location of 1150 feet FEL and 330 feet FNL was selected because of the above electric line, and the fact that the slope area surface in the north and northeast portions of Unit "a" is solid caliche rock. In order to build a location at 990 feet FEL and 330 feet FNL, it would be necessary to do extensive blasting and excavation, resulting in an unusually high cost of location construction. A location at 1150 feet FEL and 330 feet FNL can be built with a minimum of expense. This well is a Wolfcamp prospect and, if completed, would be prorated on 80 acre spacing.

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In view of the above reasons, it is respectfully requested that H. L. Brown, Jr. be granted an exception to Commission Rule 104 for the Arco State No. 1, on the basis of topographic conditions, and that permission be administratively approved for the location at 1150 feet FEL and 330 feet FNL of Section 16, T-16-S, R-32-E, Lea County, New Mexico.

Yours very truly,

H. L. BROWN, JR. 5h of J. L. McGill

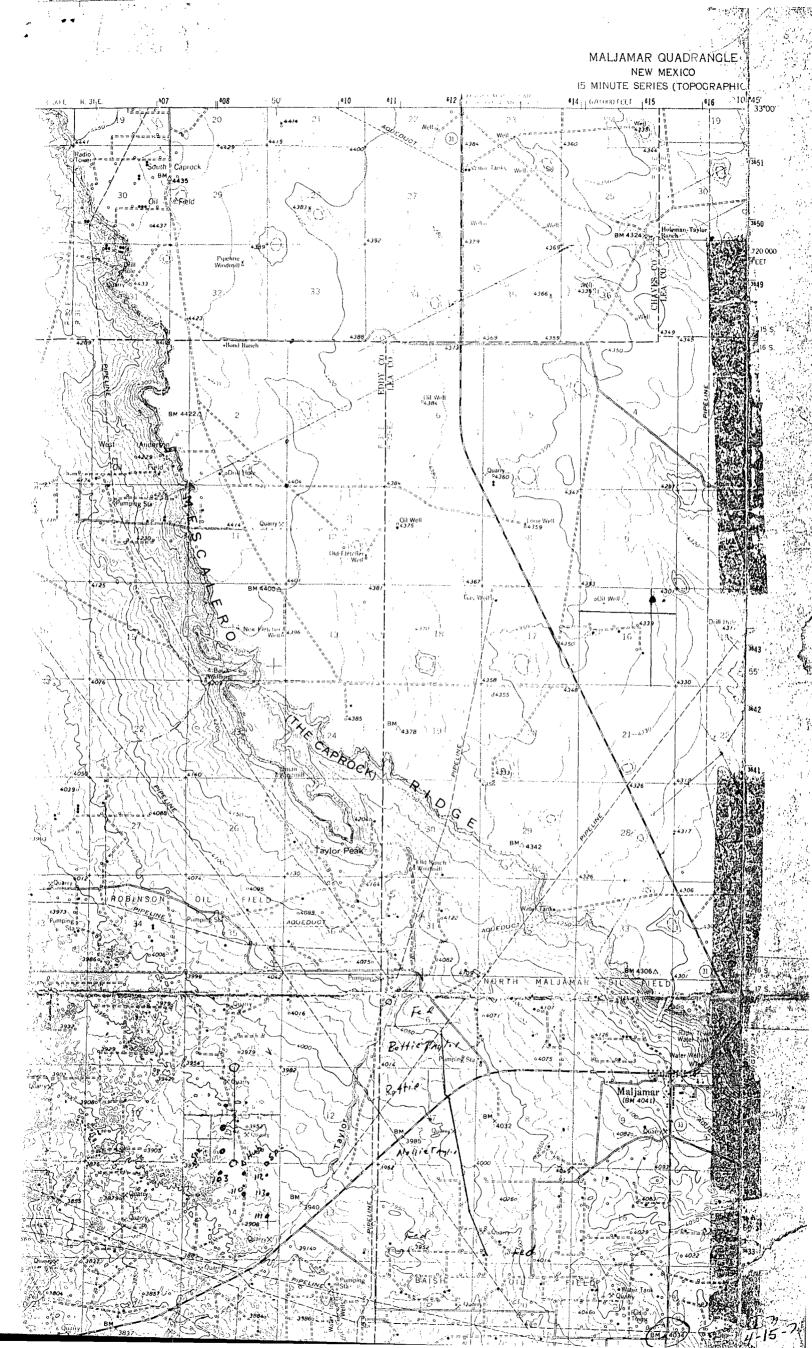
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PLAT SHOWING UNIT "A" OF SECTION 16, T-16-S, R-32-E, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, WITH TEN (10) FOOT CONTOURS ON THE TOPOGRAPHY AND LOCATION OF ELECTRIC SERVICE LINE. SURFACE IS COVERED WITH FEW INCHES OF SOIL AND UNDERLAIN WITH SOLID CALICHE

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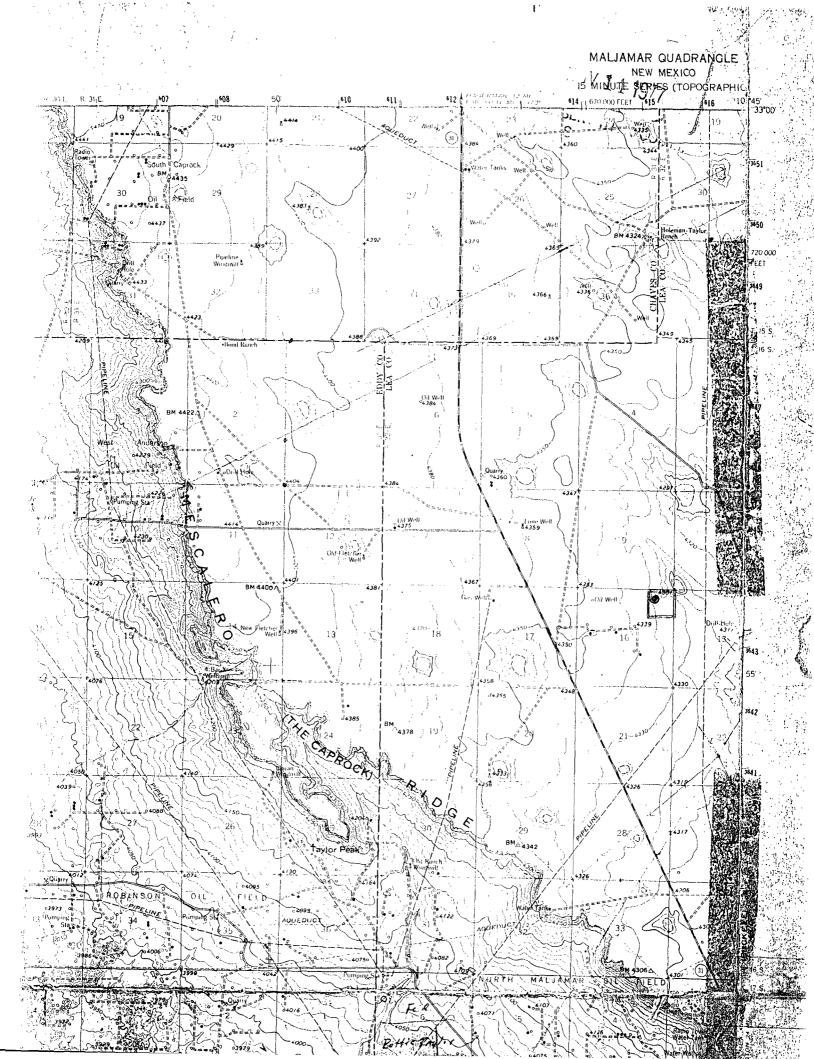
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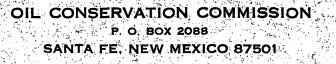
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H. L. BROWN, JR. J. L. McGill

Drilling and Production Mgr.

Encl. JLMc:jsd





November 15, 1977

J. L. McGill H. L. Brown, Jr. Post Office Box 2237 Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Mr. McGill:

Your application of November 10, 1977, for approval of an unorthodox location for your Arco State Well No. 1 is incomplete. Please file the following:

(1) Two more copies of the application.

- (2) A plat showing the ownership of leases offsetting the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 16-T16S-R32E and the wells located thereon.
- (3) A plat showing both the referenced power line and other topographic conditions. This plat should be no smaller than 3 or 4 inches to the mile.
- (4) A statement that all offset operators have been sent copies of the application.

These additions are required by Rule 104 F of the Commission Rules and Regulations. Upon receipt of the same we will commence processing the application.

Very truly yours,

R. L. STAMETS Technical Support Chief

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Hobbs DISTRICT

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION BOX 2088	DA	TE December 8, 1977
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and my recommendations are as follows:

0.K.---J.S.

Yours very truly,

H. L. BROWN, JR. 323 WEST MISSOURI POST OFFICE BOX 2237 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701 915 683-5216 November 28, 1977

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attn: Mr. R. L. Stamets Technical Support Chief

Dear Sir:

As per your request in your letter dated November 15, 1977, enclosed herewith please find:

- 1. Two more copies of the application sent on November 10, 1977.
- 2. A plat showing the ownership of leases offsetting the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 16, T-16-S, R-32-E and the wells located thereon.
- 3. A plat showing both the referenced power line and other topographic conditions.
- 4. As of today, all offset operators whom are: Mobil Oil Corporation, Ladd Petroleum Corporation, Shell Oil Company and Atlantic Richfield have been sent a copy of the enclosed application.

If there are anyother questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours very truly,

L. BROWN, JR.

J. L. McGill Drlg & Prod Mgr

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