

June 29, 1984

State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

Gentlemen:

Subject: Unorthodox Location for the

Mesa Petroleum Co.

Hilburn #2

1190' FNL & 1980' FWL Sec. 13, T16S, R35E Lea County, New Mexico NSL #1919

RULE 104F (II)
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Pursuant to Rule 102 (F.)(II.), application for adminstrative approval of an unorthodox location based upon geologic conditions is requested. Field rules for the North Shoebar Strawn and Wolfcamp pools require a well to be located within 150' of the center of a standard quarter/ quarter. Subject well is 530' from the center of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 13.

In support of this application, please find enclosed a land plat showing Mesa leasehold interests and offsetting operator of subject 160 acre proration unit and geological letter with attachments showing the necessity for drilling the Hilburn #2 well at an unorthodox location.

By copy of this letter, Rockwood Resources, Inc. is notified via registered mail of this request.

Sincerely.

R. E. Mathis

Regulatory Coordinator Onshore Operations Division

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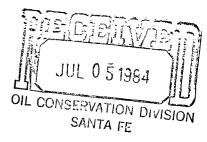
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Rockwood Resources, Inc. (w/o enc.)



June 26, 1984

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division



Gentlemen:

Subject:

Request for Administrative Approval for Unorthodox Location Based on Geology for the Mesa Petroleum Co. #2 Hilburn to be Located 1190' FNL & 1980' FWL Section 13, T16S, R35E, Lea County NM. North Shoebar Wolfcamp

and Strawn Fields.

The attached geologic maps, 1) Structure Top/Wolfcamp Three Brothers with isopach of the Wolfcamp ''B'' Bank 2) Structure Top/Strawn with isopach of Strawn Bank and 3) Structural Cross section A-A' indicate the fields are located on structural noses with a narrow sinuous NE-SW trending carbonate bank developed on the nose.

The reason for the unorthodox location is to locate the proposed well at the optimum structural and stratigraphic location for the maximum bank facies development on the narrow objective "Banks" in both Wolfcamp and Strawn potential pay horizons.

The NW/4 section 13 is a 160 acre proration and spacing unit for Strawn oil production, in addition, the field rules require 160 acre spacing for Wolfcamp production.

The NW/4 section 13 is pooled for oil and gas production in all zones.

Cost of well to drill and complete to 11,550' is \$865,000.

We respectfully request the granting of the proposed unorthodox location based on the high risk of drilling a standard location to the north of the proposed location.

In my opinion, the approval of the unorthodox location for the #2 Hilburn well for the Strawn and Wolfcamp formations will be in the interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and the protection of correlative rights.

Sincerely,

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