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April 14, 1998

Mr. Michael E. Stogner New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Administrative Approval of Unorthodox Location Non-standard Proration Unit San Juan 32-5 Unit 9M Well 2330' FSL, 1048' ESE FEL Sec. 30-T32N-R5W Rio Arriba County, New Mexico Mesa Verde/Dakota Commingle

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Taurus Exploration U.S.A., Inc. requests administrative approval for an unorthodox location of it's San Juan 32-5 Unit 9M well under the provisions of NMOCD Order R-8170.

Non-standard proration units were created under Order R-1722 for the Basin Dakota and Order R-1714 for the Blanco Mesa Verde, both covering all of Sections 30 and 31, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, and containing 345.59 acres. Further, an unorthodox location was granted under Order R-1722 for the San Juan 32-5 Unit 9 well, which was subsequently plugged and abandoned in 1978.

As the section is less than 1,400 feet wide, we are unable to spot the proposed well at a legal location. Due to the limited width of the section and trying to keep as much separation from our proposed San Juan 32-5 Unit 13M well (to be located at 1711' FSL, 1295' FEL) as possible, while giving further consideration to topographic features, necessitates this request. By moving the proposed location to the south we would move closer to our San Juan Unit 13M well in addition to forcing us to cut an embankment of approximately 15 feet by 100 feet.

For the foregoing reason, Taurus Exploration U.S.A., Inc. respectfully requests an administrative approval of an unorthodox location and reinstatement of Non-standard Proration Unit Orders 1714 and 1722.

A copy of this application is being submitted to all offset operators by certified mail with a request that they furnish your office in Santa Fe with a Waiver of Objection.

Attached is a well location plat showing acreage, a topographic plat of the area, and a map showing all offsetting operators.

Sincerely, orcoran chard

Richard P. Corcoran District Landman

RPC/df Enclosures

cc: OCD-Aztec office, BLM-Farmington office, Offset Operators



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Vern Hansen Williams Production Company One Williams Center P.O. Box 3102 Tulsa, Oklahoma 7401

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Dear Mr. Hansen:

Taurus Exploration U.S.A., Inc. has filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD), an Application for the Administrative Approval for an Unorthodox Location, and non-standard proration unit, for its San Juan 32-5 Unit 9M well. A copy of the application has been attached for your review.

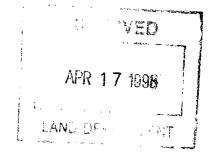
If you have no objection to this unorthodox location and non-standard proration unit, please sign the three copies of the attached waiver, return one executed copy to the NMOCD in Santa Fe, New Mexico, one copy to our office, and retain one copy for your files. Self addressed envelopes are enclosed.

Your assistance and cooperation in this matter are appreciated.

Sincerely, nnn s

Richard P. Corcoran District Landman

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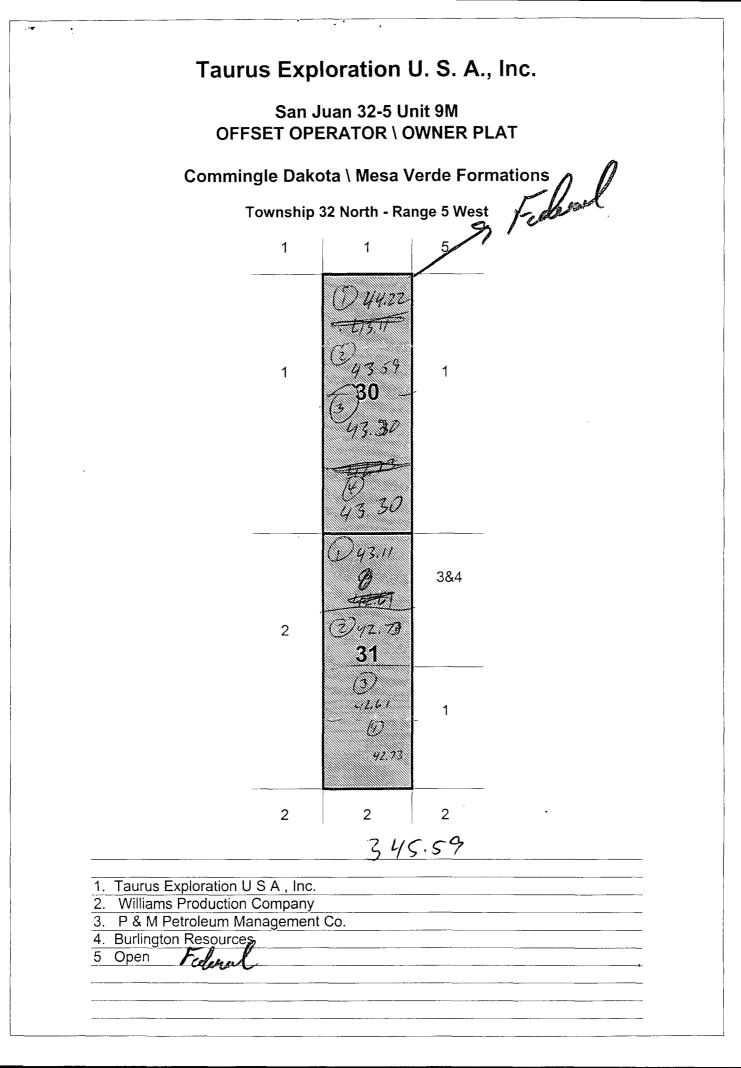


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WAIVER

<u>MILLIAMS RODUCTION</u> (O. hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for Unorthodox Location for Taurus Exploration U,S.A., Inc.'s San Juan 32-5 Unit 9M well.

cc: OCD-Aztec.office, BLM-Farmington office, Offset Operators



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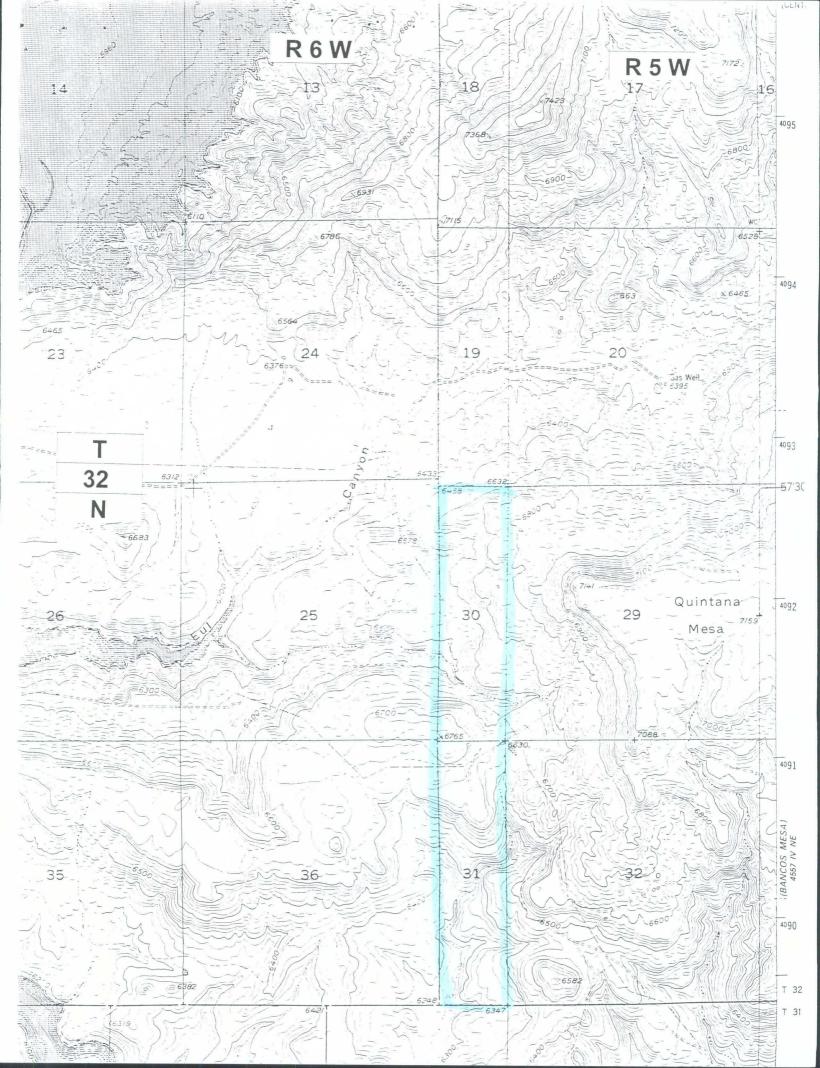
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# OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, NM 87505

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□ AMENDED REPORT

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# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE No. 2013 Order No. R-1722

APPLICATION OF LA PLATA GATHERING SYSTEM, INC. FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A GAS-GAS DUAL COMPLETION IN THE BLANCO-MESAVERDE POOL AND IN THE DAKOTA PRODUCING INTERVAL, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FOR A 345.59-ACRE NON-STANDARD GAS UNIT IN THE DAKOTA PRODUCING INTERVAL, AND FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on July 11, 1960, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this <u>21st</u> day of July, 1960, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, La Plata Gathering System, Inc., is the owner and operator of partial Sections 30 and 31, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

(3) That said partial Sections 30 and 31 contain 174.41 acres and 171.18 acres respectively, together containing 345.59 acres.

(4) That the applicant proposes that the above-described partial Sections 30 and 31 be established as a non-standard gas unit in the Dakota Producing Interval.

(5) That the applicant further proposes to locate a gas

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well on an unorthodox location 990 feet from the North line and 713 feet from the East line of said Section 31, to which well the proposed 345.59-acre non-standard gas unit would be dedicated.

(6) That the proposed unorthodox location is necessitated by a variation in the U. S. Public Land Survey.

(7) That the above-described 345.59-acre tract can reasonably be presumed to be productive of gas from the Dakota Producing Interval.

(8) That in Order No. R-1714, duly promulgated by the Commission on July 7, 1960, an unorthodox gas well location and a 345.59-acre non-standard gas proration unit in the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool was authorized, which location and unit coincide with the location and unit proposed in the subject application pertaining to the Dakota Producing Interval.

(9) That the applicant further proposes the dual completion of the well to be drilled on the above-described non-standard location in such a manner as to permit the production of gas from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool and the production of gas from the Dakota Producing Interval through parallel strings of 1-1/2 inch tubing.

(10) That the mechanics of the proposed dual completion are feasible and in accord with sound conservation practices, provided that each string of tubing should not be set higher than 250 feet above its respective producing formation.

(11) That establishment of the above-described non-standard gas unit and approval of the proposed unorthodox gas well location will neither cause waste nor impair correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That a 345.59-acre non-standard gas unit in the Dakota Producing Interval consisting of partial Sections 30 and 31, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, be and the same is hereby established. Said unit is to be dedicated to a gas well located on an unorthodox location in the Dakota Producing Interval at a point 990 feet from the North line and 713 feet from the East line of Section 31, Township 32 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, which location is hereby approved.

(2) That the applicant, La Plata Gathering System, Inc., be and the same is hereby authorized to dually complete the above-described well in such a manner as to permit the production of gas from the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool and the production of gas from the Dakota Producing Interval through parallel strings of 1-1/2 inch tubing.

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PROVIDED HOWEVER, That each string of tubing shall not be set higher than 250 feet above its respective producing formation.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the applicant shall complete, operate, and produce said well in accordance with the provisions of Section V, Rule 112-A.

<u>PROVIDED FURTHER</u>, That the applicant shall take packerleakage tests upon completion and annually thereafter during the Annual Deliverability Test Period for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool.

# IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

That jurisdiction of this cause is hereby retained by the Commission for such further order or orders as may seem necessary or convenient for the prevention of waste and/or protection of correlative rights; upon failure of the applicant to comply with any requirement of this order, the Commission may terminate the authority herein granted and require the applicant or its successors and assigns to limit its activities to regular single-zone production in the interest of Conservation.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JOHN BURROUGHS, Chairman

MURRAY E. MORGAN, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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