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December 9, 2008

Hand Delivered

David K. Brooks Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Resubmitted application

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Apache Corporation applies for administrative approval of simultaneous dedication in the Jalmat Gas Pool for the following wells:

Well Names:	Stevens B Well Nos. 6 (Unit B), 9 (Unit G), and 10 (Unit H)										
Well Unit:	NE¼ of	Section	12,	Township	23	South,	Range	36	East,		
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Under Division Order No. R-8170-P, spacing in the Jalmat Gas Pool is 640 acres, with wells to be located no closer than 660 feet to a quarter section line. The rules provide for non-standard 160 acre well units, comprised of a single quarter section, with one well per 160 acres.

The NE¼ of Section 12 was approved as a non-standard unit in the Langmat Pool (now Jalmat Gas Pool) in 1953. **Exhibit A**. The unit is currently dedicated to the Stevens B Well No. 2 (API No. 30-025-09332) and the Stevens B Well No. 10 (API No. 30-025-09331). **Exhibit B**. The Stevens B Well No. 2 has been plugged and abandoned.

Applicant proposes to recomplete the Stevens B Well No. 6 (API No. 30-025-10709) and the Stevens B Well No. 9 (API No. 30-025-09330) from the Langlie-Mattix Pool to the Jalmat Gas Pool. Forms C-102 for the wells are attached as **Exhibits C and D**.

The Stevens B Well Nos. 6 and 9 are no longer productive in the Langlie-Mattix Pool, and if they are not recompleted they must be plugged and abandoned. Applicant believes that each well will recover incremental reserves from the Jalmat Gas Pool. A technical discussion, with attachments, is attached as **Exhibit E**. This application will prevent waste by utilizing existing wellbores, and will not violate correlative rights.

A listing of the operators of Jalmat well units offsetting the NE^{$\frac{1}{4}$} of Section 12 is marked **Exhibit E-1**. Notice was given to all operators by the letter attached as **Exhibit F**.

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

erv truly yours. lames Bruce

Attorney for Apache Corporation

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Application of Apache Corporation for administrative approval of simultaneous dedication in the JALMAT GAS POOL for:

Stevens B Well No. 6 (Unit B) Stevens B Well No, 9 (Unit G) Stevens B Well No. 10 (Unit H) NE/4, Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM Lea County, New Mexico

- 1. Apache Corporation (Apache) operates four wells on the Stevens B Lease, comprising the NE/4, Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, Lea County, New Mexico (Exhibit 1).
 - a. Stevens B #2 (30-025-09332) was plugged and abandoned June 24, 2008 (Exhibit 2).
 - **b.** Stevens B #6 (30-025-10709) has been inactive since Apache acquired the lease from John H. Hendrix Corp on March 1, 2008.
 - **c.** Stevens B #9 (30-025-09330) has also been inactive since Apache acquired the lease from John H. Hendrix Corp on March 1, 2008.
 - **d.** Stevens B #10 (30-025-09331) is a Jalmat Gas Pool producer. Cumulative production is 352,418 MCFG at a current rate of 7 MCFD.
- 2. Apache proposes to recomplete Stevens B #6 and #9 to the Jalmat Gas Pool. Both wells have been inactive for years and must be recompleted or plugged and abandoned. Apache's lease is depth restricted so a deeper completion is not possible.
- **3.** Simultaneous dedication of 160 A units has become common place in the Jalmat Gas Pool (**Exhibit 3**).
- **4.** Two quarter sections offsetting NE/4, Section 12 have three currently producing wells (**Exhibit 3**).
- 5. The reservoir is tight and can be compartmentalized so wells are not capable of draining reserves from the full reservoir interval of a spacing unit (Exhibit 4).
- 6. The Stevens B lease is located at the northeast edge of the reservoir. Porosity and permeability decrease toward the edge of the pool.
- 7. Exhibit 5 displays cumulative gas production in the sections offsetting Section 12. Although cumulative production from NE/4, Section 12 is 6128 MMCFG, it is not the highest cum'ing quarter section on the map and is offset by quarter sections with higher cumulative production. Table 1 displays cumulative and daily gas production from the Jalmat Gas Pool wells.
- **8. Exhibit 6** displays daily gas production in the sections offsetting Section 12. Daily gas rate of only 7 MCFD is the lowest productive quarter section on the map.
- **9.** Approval of this application will:
 - a. Recover incremental reserves that can not be recovered by the existing wells,
 - b. Prevent waste by utilizing existing wellbores, and
 - c. Protect correlative rights by allowing production from an equal number of wells to offsetting units.





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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

To: Persons on Exhibit A

Ladies and gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of application, filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division by Apache Corporation, seeking approval of simultaneous dedication for three wells in the Jalmat Gas Pool in the NE¼ of Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. If you object to the application, you must notify the Division in writing within 20 days of the date of this letter (the Division's address is 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505). Failure to object will preclude you from contesting this matter at a later date.

Very truly yours,

imes Bruce

Attorney for Apache Corporation



EXHIBIT A

Sahara Operating Company P.O. Box 4130 Midland, Texas 79704

Roca Production, Inc. P.O. Box 10139 Midland, Texas 79702

> Enervest Operating, LLC Suite 800 1001 Fannin Street Houston, Texas 77002

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Suite 600 600 North Marienfeld Midland, Texas 79701

Primal Energy Corporation Suite 227 211 Highland Cross Houston, Texas 77073

ConocoPhillips Company P.O. Box 2197 Houston, TX 77252

Brooks, David K., EMNRD

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Brooks, David K., EMNRD Tuesday, January 06, 2009 9:10 AM 'JamesBruc@aol.com' Apache Corp; Stevens B ##6,9 and 10; SD Application

Dear Jim

You state in this application that the NE/4 of Section 12 was approved as a gas unit in 1953. Do you happen to have an order number?

Also I would appreciate identification of the affected persons by tract, so that the record will establish that notice has been given to affected persons in all offsetting units.

Thanks

David

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Via e-mail and U.S. Mail

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> Re: Apache Corporation Stevens B Well Nos. 6 (Unit B), 9 (Unit G), and 10 (Unit H) NE¹/₄ of Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico

Dear David:

Regarding your e-mail this morning:

1. The original well in the well unit, the Stevens B Well No. 2, was drilled in 1950 or 1951, and was subsequently placed in the Langmat Pool. The Langmat Pool was created by Order No. R-264, dated February 17, 1953. It was a gas pool spaced on statewide rules, so spacing was 160 acres. Exhibit A attached to the application is the original acreage dedication plat. The well unit was standard when formed.

The Jalmat Pool was created by Order No. R-520, effective September 1, 1954, by the combination of the Jalco Pool and the Langmat Pool. That order also increased spacing in the Jalmat Pool to 640 acres. I could not locate an NSP order number for the NE¼ of Section 12, although I believe it was standard practice (as it is today) to grandfather-in existing non-standard well units when spacing is increased. Therefore, I do not believe an NSP order number was ever assigned to the well unit.

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2. The offset operators are as follows:

<u>SW¹/4</sub> §6-23S-37E</u> Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado (f/k/a Gruy Petroleum Management Co.)

<u>SE¼ §1-23S-36E</u> Enervest Operating LLC

<u>SW¼ §1-23S-36E</u> Sahara Operating Company

<u>NW¼ §12-23S-36E</u> Primal Energy Corporation

<u>N¹/₂SW¹/₄ §12-23S-36E</u> Primal Energy Corporation

<u>S¹/₂SW¹/4</sub> §12-23S-36E</u> Apache Corporation

<u>SE¹/4 §12-23S-36E</u> Roca Production, Inc.

<u>NW¼ §7-23S-37E</u> Roca Production, Inc.

<u>S¹/2</sub> §7-23S-37E</u> Conoco Phillips Company

This data is based on the Division's records of operators of existing Jalmat well units.

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

Very truly yours,

James Bruce Attorney for Apache Corporation