

September 25, 1998

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



Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to Division Rule 104.F.(2), Cross Timbers Operating Company applies for administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location and directional drilling for the following well:

Florance #70 Well Surface Location: 2,035 feet FEL and 2,025 feet FSL Bottomhole Location: 840 feet FEL and 840 feet FSL E/2 Section 20, Township 27 North, Range 8 West, NMPM San Juan County, New Mexico

The well will be drilled to test the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and the Ballard Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. Well spacing is 320 acres for the Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and 160 acres for the Ballard Pictured Cliffs Gas Pool. Wells are to be drilled in the NE/4 or SW/4 of a section, and no closer than 790 feet to the outer boundary of the well unit and 130 feet to a quarter-quarter section line. The well is unorthodox because it is not in the NE/4 of Section 20, as required by Order No. R-8768, as amended. The Form C-102 for the well is attached as Exhibit A.

The proposed location is non-standard due to topographic reasons. The original proposed location was 790 feet FSL and 790 feet FEL. The surface location applied for is the preferred location of the BLM. Attached as Exhibit B is a topographic plat which shows both the proposed surface location and the proposed bottomhole location.

Attached as Exhibit C is a land plat of the area, showing acreage operated by Cross Timbers in yellow. There are no other offset operators surrounding this section.

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This application is submitted in duplicate. Please call me at (817) 870-8454, if you need anything further.

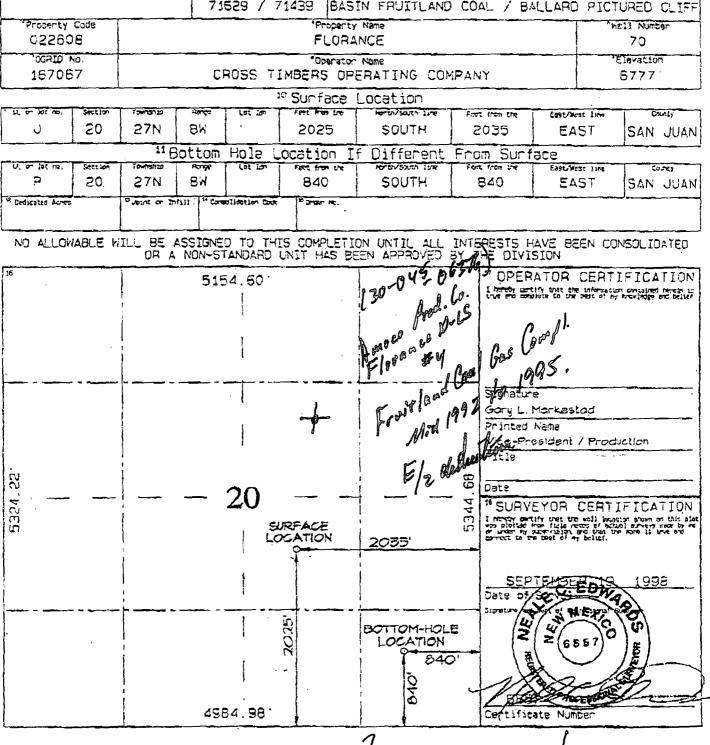
Sincerely, CROSS TIMBERS OIL COMPANY

George A. Cox, CPL Landman

Enclosures

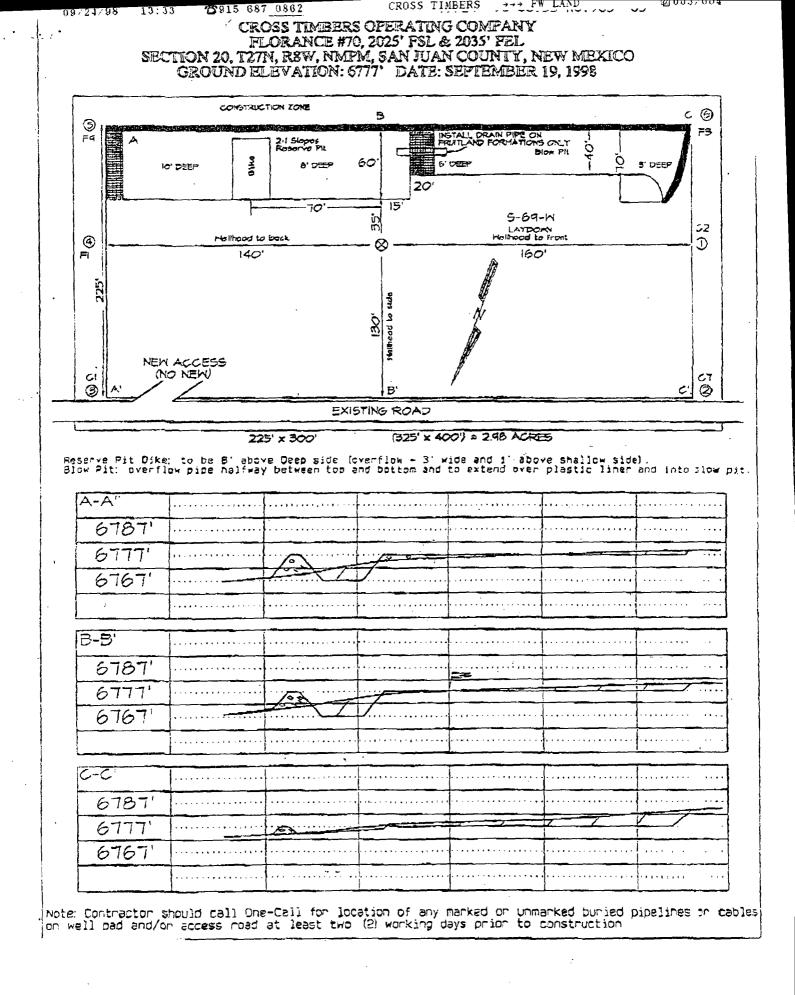
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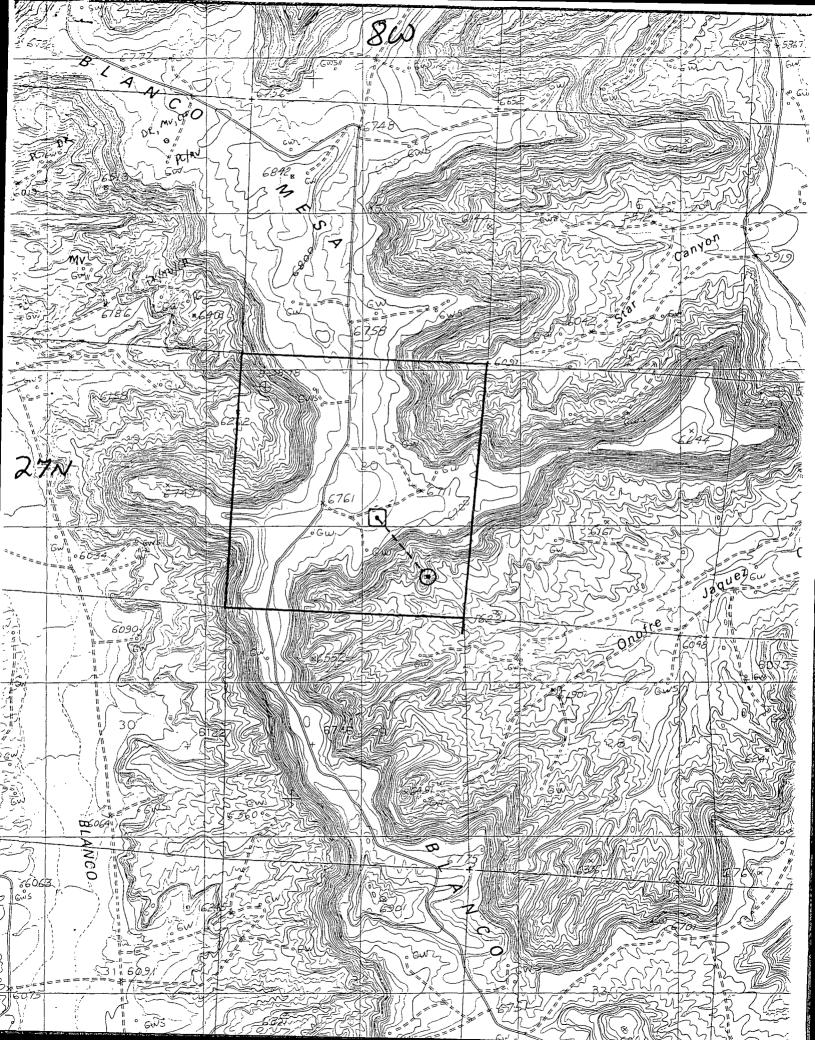
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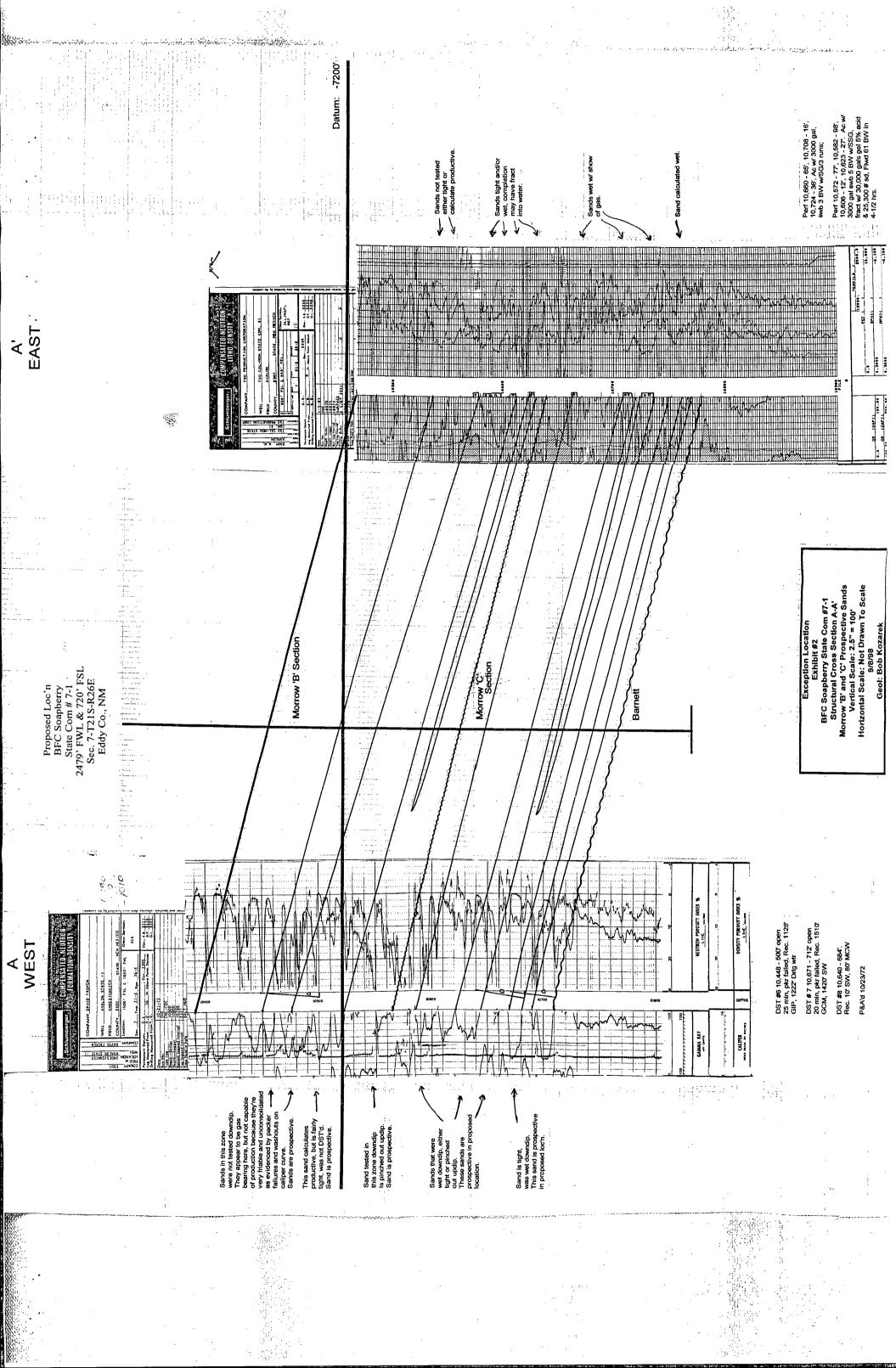


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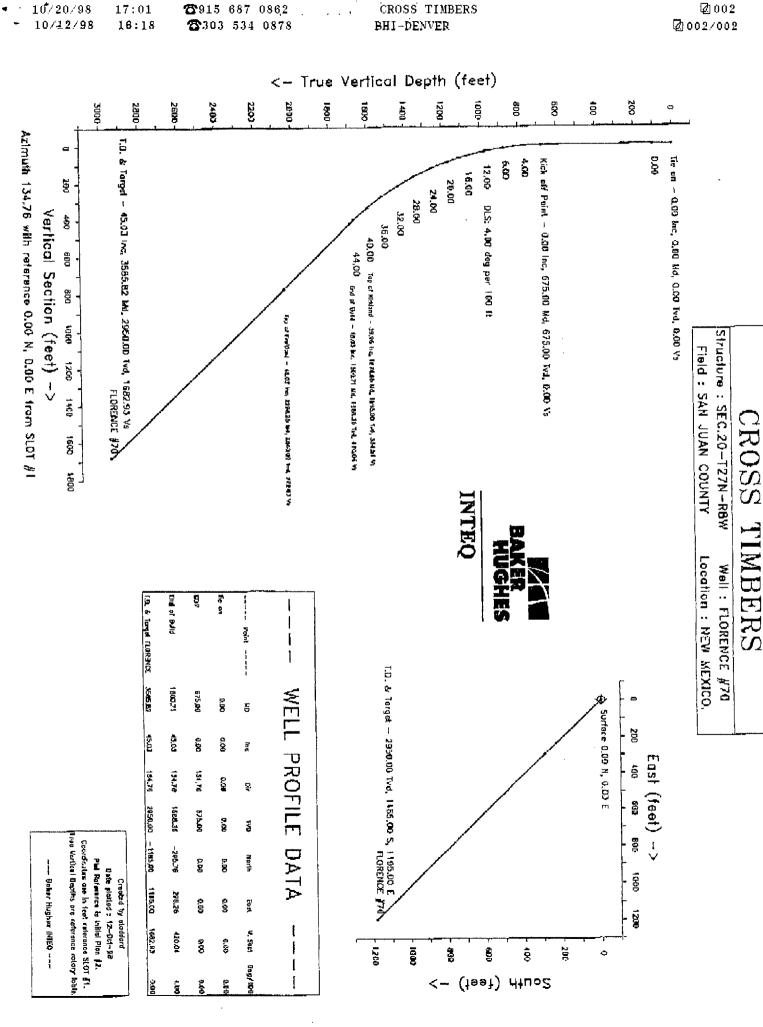
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CERTIFIED MAIL

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

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On September 25, 1998, pursuant to Division Rule 104.F.(2), Cross Timbers Operating Company applied for administrative approval of an unorthodox gas well location and directional drilling for the following well:

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The application was approved by letter dated October 19, 1998 referencing Administrative Order NSL-4152(BHL), a copy of the letter is attached for your reference. Upon further study of the área, Cross Timbers has determined that it will be able to change the bottom hole location and be more in line with the footage required by the NMOCD. The new bottom hole location should be approximately 1,000' FEL and 1,200' FSL of Section 20-27N-8W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico, instead of the previously requested 840'FEL and 840'FSL.

Please let me if you need anything further concerning this matter and should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (817) 870-8454.

Sincerely, CROSS TIMBERS OIL COMPANY

George A. Cox, CPI

Landman

cc: Gary Markstead - Farmington Mark Gosch - Midland Jerry Stadulis - Ft. Worth Gary Burch - Ft. Worth TRIGON CONSTRUCTORS

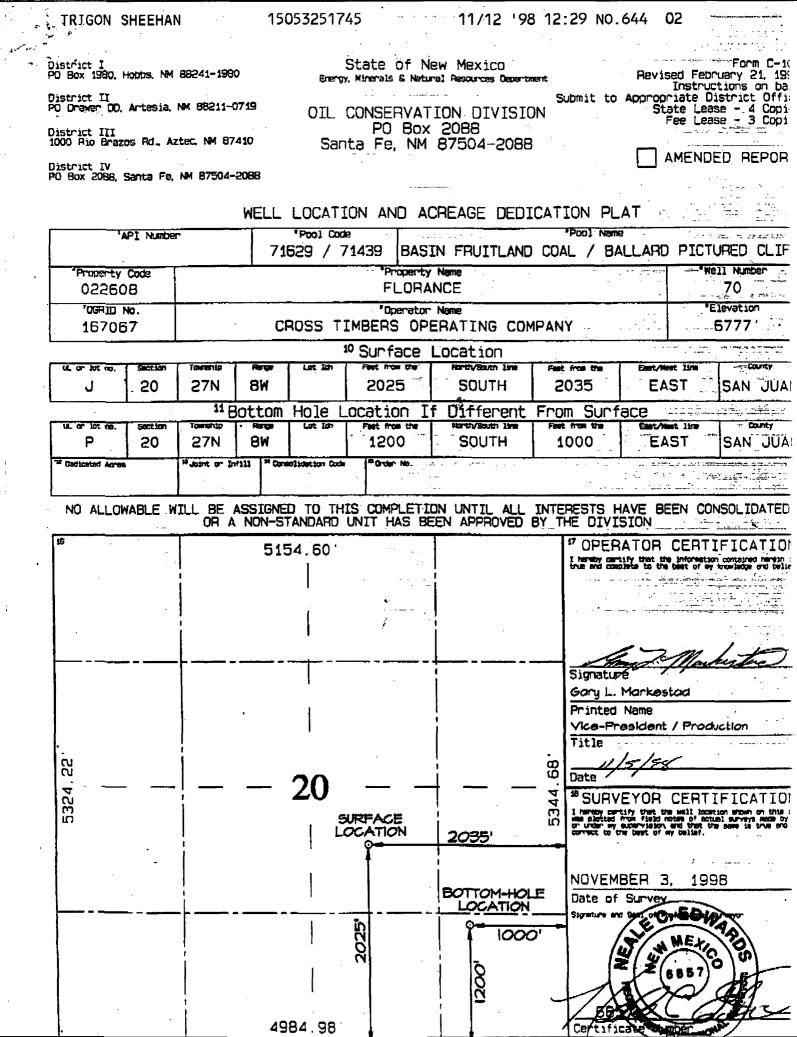
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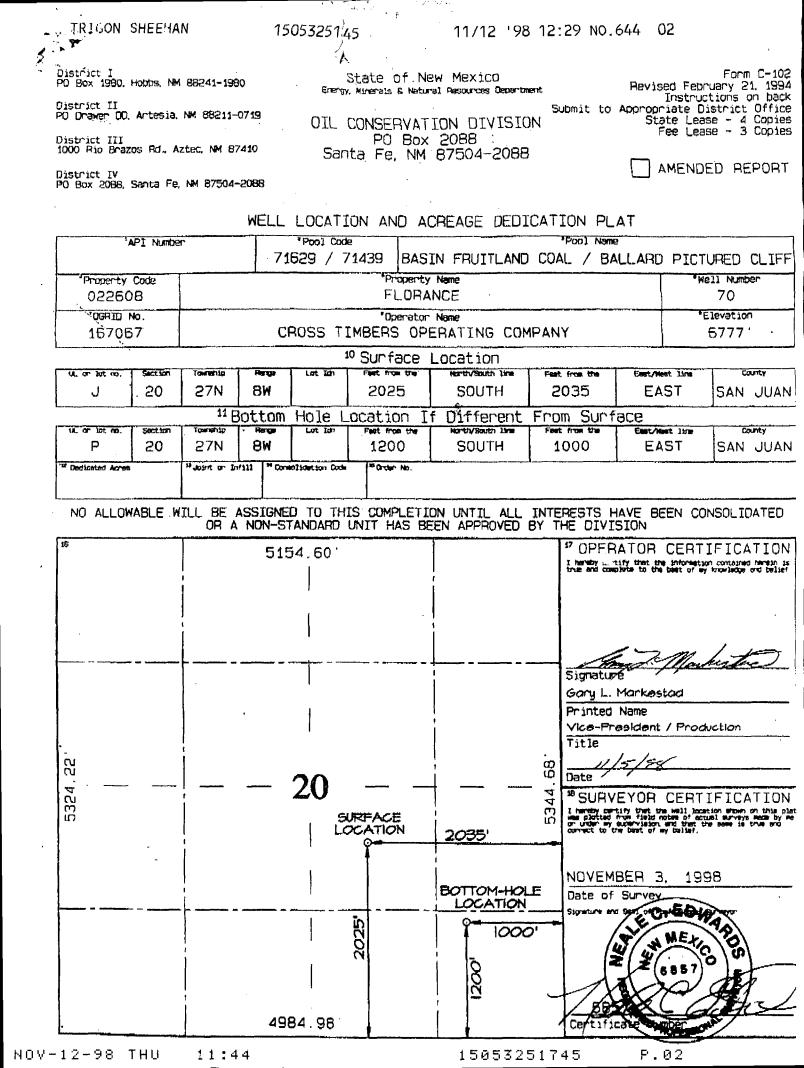
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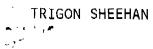


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COMMENTS:

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November 16, 1998

Telefax No. (817) 870-1671

Cross Timbers Oil Company 810 Houston Street - Suite 2000 Fort Worth, Texas 76102-6298

Attention: George A. Cox

Re: Division Administrative Order NSL-4152(BHL)

Dear Mr. Cox:

I have reviewed your letter dated November 10, 1998 informing the Division of a change in the bottom-hole location for Cross Timbers' proposed Florance Well No. 70. This new bottom-hole location (1200' FSL & 1000' FEL) is well within the "producing area" as provided in the subject order:

"The applicable drilling window or "producing area" within the Fruitland coal interval for this wellbore shall include that area within the subject 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 of Section 20 that is:

(a) no closer than 790 feet to the East, South, and West lines of the SE/4 of Section 20; and,

(b) no closer than 130 feet to the North line of the SE/4 of Section 20."

It will therefore be unnecessary for the Division to amend Division Administrative Order NSL-4152(BHL). However, in order to comply fully with Division Rule 111.C(1), please submit a copy of an amended Federal APD Form 3160-5 and NMOCD Form C-102 showing this change to the Aztec District Office of the Division.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington File: NSL-4152(BHL)



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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION AZTEC DISTRICT OFFICE 1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD AZTEC NM 87410 (506) 334-6178 FAX: (506) 334-6170 http://wmrd.state.nm.uw/ocd/District.III/3distric.htm

GARY E. JOHNSON Governor Jennifer A. Salisbury Cabinet Secretary

November 16, 1998

Mr Gary Markestad Cross Timbers Operating Company 6001 HWY 64 Farmington NM 87401

Re: Florance #70, J-20-27N-08W, API-Not Yet Assigned

Dear Mr Markestad:

Your application to directionally drill the proposed referenced well at a surface location of 2025' FSL, 2035' FEL and a proposed bottom hole location of 1200' FSL, 1000' FEL is hereby approved. If after the well is side tracked, the bottom hole location is closer than 790' to the drill tract boundary, this approval will be of no effect.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours truly,

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Ernie Busch District Geologist/Deputy O&G Inspector

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Xc: Farmington BLM-Duane Spencer NMOCD(Santa Fe)-Michael Stogner