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# NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

			ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION COVERSHEET
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		Check [B]	One Only for [B] or [C] Commingling - Storage - Measurement
			□ DHC □ CTB □ PLC □ PC □ OLS □ OLM
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[2]	NOTI	FICAT	ION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply  Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
		[B]	☐ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
		[C]	☐ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
		[D]	☐ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
		[E]	☐ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
		[F]	☐ Waivers are Attached
[3]	INFO	RMA1	ON / DATA SUBMITTED IS COMPLETE - Statement of Understanding
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	JAMES E P.O. BOX NTA FE, I		Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with supervisory capacity.

Print or Type Name

MWK Signature

## JAMES BRUCE

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October 5, 1998

#### Hand Delivered

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), Devon Energy Corporation (Nevada) ("Devon") applies for administrative approval of two unorthodox oil well locations, for the following wells:

Mann Fed. "3" Well No. 2 1575 feet FSL & 330 feet FWL NW%SW% (Unit L) §3

Mann Fed. "3" Well No. 3 1024 feet FSL & 330 feet FWL SW%SW% (Unit M) §3

Township 18 South, Range 27 East, NMPM Eddy County, New Mexico

The wells will be drilled to a depth sufficient to test the San Andres formation (Red Lake Queen-Grayburg-San Andres Pool). The pool is subject to statewide rules, with 40 acre well units, and wells to be located no closer than 330 feet to a quarter-quarter section line. Attached as Exhibits A-1 and A-2 are Form C-102's for the wells.

The original locations proposed by Devon were orthodox: 1650 feet FSL and 330 feet FWL for the No. 2 well, and 924 feet FSL and 330 feet FWL for the No. 3 well. The current locations are nonstandard due to topographic reasons. Attached as Exhibit B is an aerial photo of the area, which shows that there are pipelines at or near the original locations. Attached as Exhibits C-1 and C-2 are well-pad plats, which also show certain of these pipelines. Thus, unorthodox locations are required.

Attached as Exhibit D is a land plat of the area, which colors each separate lease a different color. Both wells are on federal lease LC 061783-B, and are only moving toward the same lease. Thus, notice is not required to be given to any interest owner.

In Case 11996, Devon presented evidence that the subject pool is continuous across this area, trending in a northeast-southwest direction. Thus, geology is not a factor in these well locations. There are numerous draws, elevation changes, and pipelines and other facilities in the area, which often necessitate unorthodox locations. Wells in this pool drain less than 20 acres, and thus Devon is infill drilling each well unit. Devon is also considering the possibility of a future waterflood for this pool, and the proposed wells fit into a waterflood pattern. Directional drilling the wells to orthodox locations is not feasible. Wells in the pool are not prolific producers (averaging 50,000 barrels in reserves), and the added drilling and operating costs would make the wells uneconomic.

Based on the foregoing, Devon requests approval of the above unorthodox locations. Please call me if you need anything further on this matter.

Very truly yours,

James Brúce

Attorney for Devon Energy Corporation (Nevada) DISTRICT I p.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

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#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	Pool Code	Pool Name		
	51300	Red Lake (Q-GB-SA)		
Property Code	Property 1	lame	Well Number	
	MANN "3"	FEDERAL	2	
OGRID No.	Operator !	lame	Elevation	
6137	DEVON ENE	RGY CORP.	3557'	

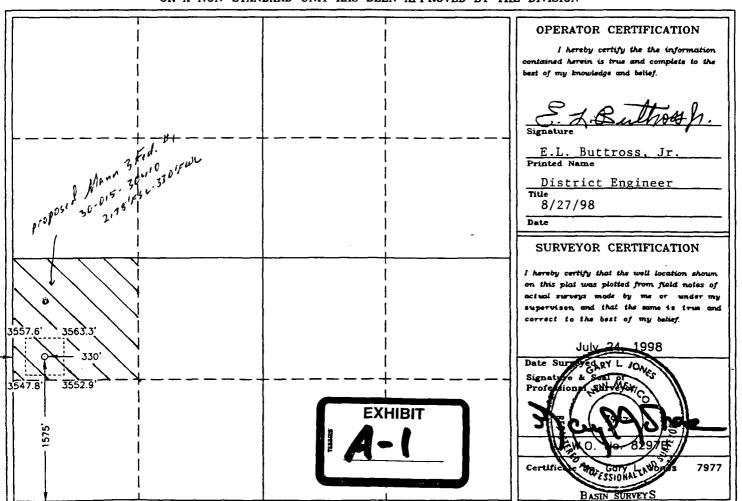
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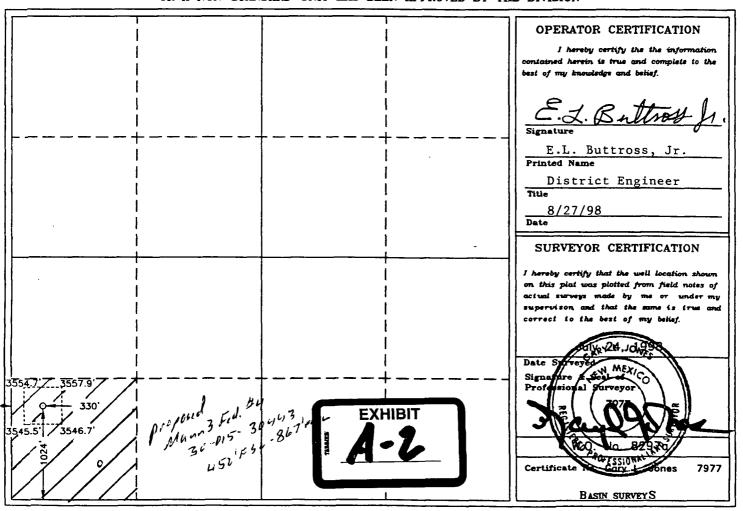
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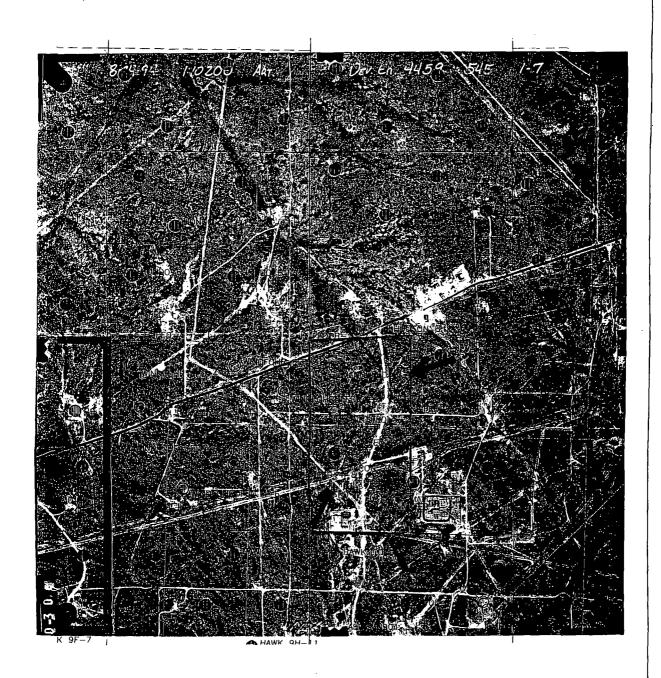
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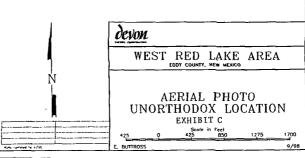




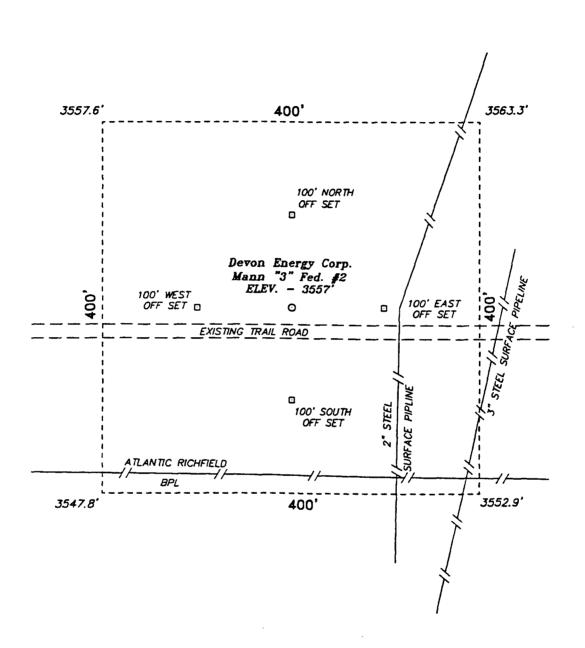
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SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.





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#### Energy Corp. Devon

Mann "3" Fed. No. 2 / Well Pad Topo

THE MANN "3" FED. No. 2 LOCATED 1575' FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 330' FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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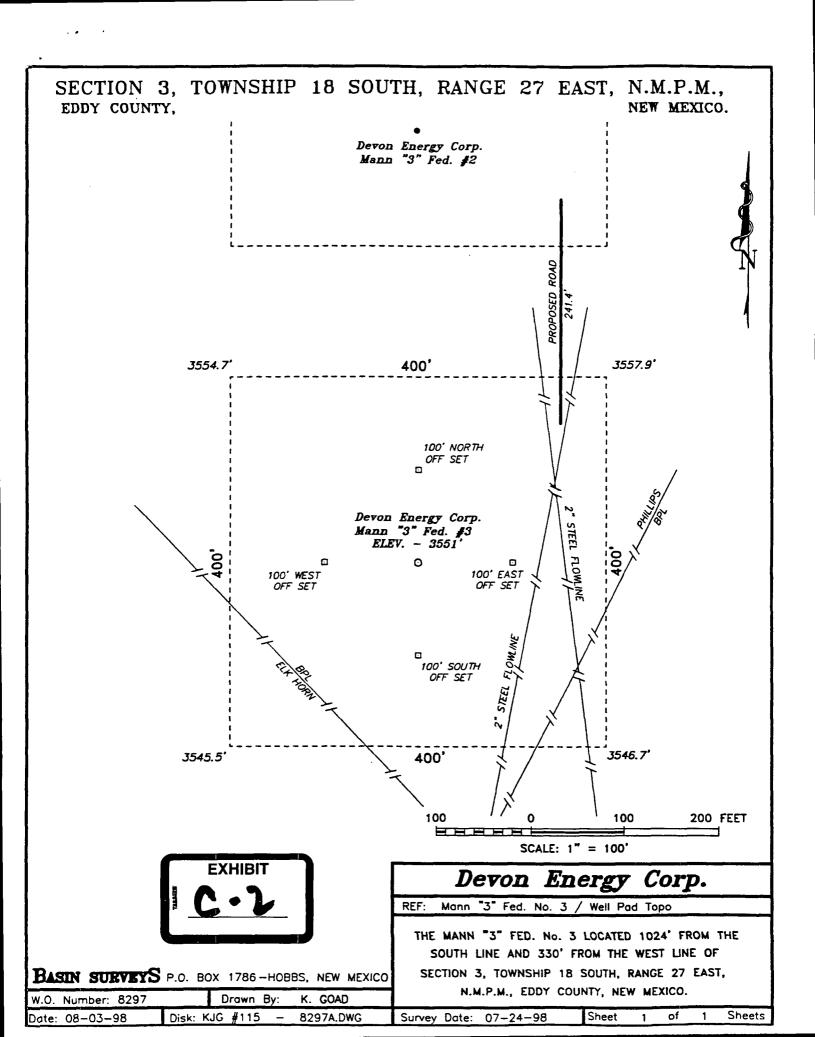
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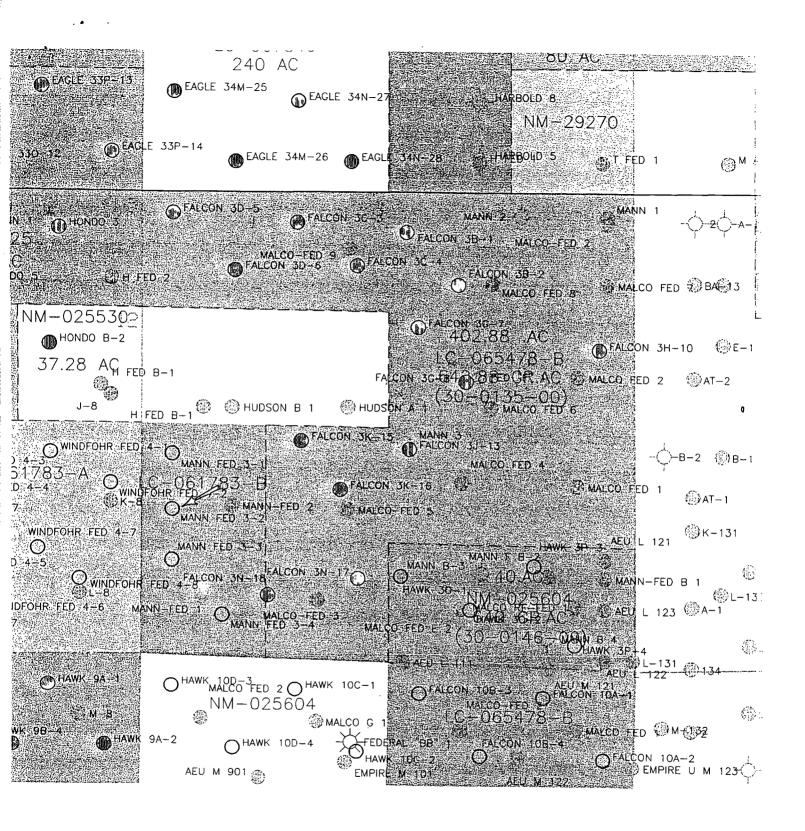
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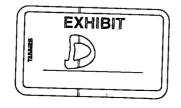
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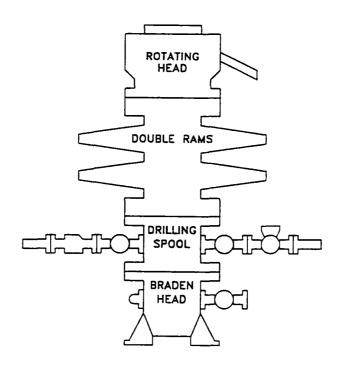
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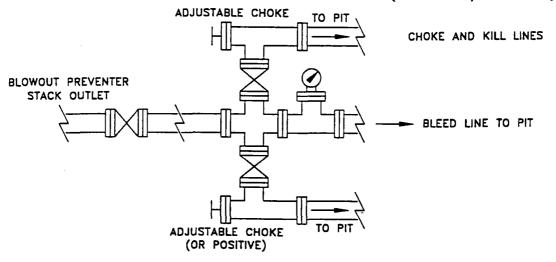
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EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEDICO

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BLOWOUT PREVENTOR
(2000 PSI MINIMAN WP)

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## Attachment to Exhibit #1

## NOTES REGARDING BLOWOUT PREVENTORS

# Mann 3 Federal #1 Eddy County, New Mexico

- 1. Drilling nipple will be constructed so it can be removed mechanically without the aid of a welder. The minimum internal diameter will equal BOP bore.
- 2. Wear ring will be properly installed in head.
- 3. Blowout preventor and all associated fittings will be in operable condition and tested to 1000 psi with the rig pump.
- 4. All fittings will be flanged.

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- 5. A full bore safety valve with proper thread connections will be available on the rotary rig floor at all times.
- 6. All choke lines will be anchored to prevent movement.
- 7. All BOP equipment will be equal to or larger in bore than the internal diameter of the last casing string.
- 8. Will maintain a Kelly cock attached to the Kelly.
- 9. Hand wheels and wrenches will be properly installed and tested for safe operation.
- 10. All BOP equipment will meet API standards and include a minimum 40 gallon accumulator having two independent means of power to initiate closing operation.

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# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 11966 ORDER NO. R-11162

APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION (NEVADA) FOR 23 UNORTHODOX OIL WELL LOCATIONS, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE DIVISION

## BY THE DIVISION:

This case came on for hearing at 8:15 a.m. on April 16, 1998 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Michael E. Stogner.

NOW, on this <u>13 th</u> day of April, 1999, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record and the recommendations of the Examiner,

## **FINDS THAT**:

- (1) Due public notice has been given and the Division has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.
- (2) The applicant, Devon Energy Corporation (Nevada) ["Devon"], seeks authority to drill and produce the following wells at unorthodox oil well locations in Township 17 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

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In addition, Devon seeks authority to drill and produce the following wells at unorthodox oil well locations in Township 18 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

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Falcon "3-N" Federal No. 18	30-015-29575	3	680' FSL & 1350' FWL	N
Carter Collier "5" Federal No. 9	30-015-29995	5	330' FNL & 2360' FEL	В
Evarts "6" Federal No. 4	30-015-30109	6	330' FNL & 1190' FEL	A.
Fred "6" Federal. No. 5	30-015-30155	6	1260' FNL & 990' FWL	D
Patton "6" Federal No. 6	30-015-30085	6	2460' FNL & 2310' FWL	F
Patton "6" Federal No. 4	30-015-30079	6	1593' FSL & 1469' FWL	K
Patton "6" Federal No. 3	30-015-29980	6	930' FSL & 1450' FWL	N
Hawk "9-B" Federal No. 4	30-015-29480	9	990' FNL & 1360' FEL	$\mathbf{B}_{i}$
Hawk "9-J" Federal No. 16	30-015-29483	9	1630' FSL & 1650' FEL	J
Hawk "9-O" Federal No. 17	30-015-29484	9	1170' FSL & 2310' FEL	0
Hawk "17-C" Federal No. 1	30-015-29515	17	380' FNL & 1450' FWL	C
Hawk "17-C" Federal No. 2	30-015-29726	17	890' FNL & 2585' FWL	C
Kaiser No. 1	NA	18	330' FNL & 1110' FEL	Α

- (3) Prior to the hearing the Division issued the following Administrative Orders for four of the above-described wells:
  - (a) NSL-3969 (SD), dated March 11, 1998, granted Devon approval to drill its Hawk "17-C" Federal Wells No. 1 and 2 at the above-described unorthodox oil well locations;
  - (b) NSL-3982, dated March 23, 1998, granted Devon approval to drill its Carter Collier "5" Federal Well No. 9 at the above-described unorthodox oil well location; and
  - (c) NSL-3983, dated March 23, 1998, granted Devon approval to drill its Evarts "6" Federal Well No. 4 at the above-described unorthodox oil well location.

Since it is unnecessary at this time to include these four wells in this application, they should be dismissed.

(4) The Red Lake (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Pool, as currently designated, includes the following lands in Eddy County, New Mexico:

	SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST,		SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST,
<u>NMPM</u>		<u>NMPM</u>	
Section 24:	SE/4	(Contin	
Section 25:	All	Section 15:	All
Section 26:	S/2 S/2	Section 16:	NE/4 and S/2
Section 27:	SE/4 SE/4	Section 18:	W/2
Section 34:	All	Section 19:	S/2
Section 35:	All	Section 20:	All
Section 36:	All	Section 22:	All
		Section 23:	S/2 NW/4 and S/2
TOWNSHIP 17	SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST,	Section 25:	N/2
NMPM	·	Section 26:	N/2
Section 12:	SE/4	Section 27:	N/2 N/2 and SW/4
Section 13:	N/2 and SE/4	Section 28:	All
Section 22:	S/2 NE/4	Section 29:	N/2, SW/4, and N/2 SE/4
Section 23:	S/2 NW/4, NE/4 SW/4, and SE/4	Section 30:	All
Section 24:	NE/4, S/2 NW/4, N/2 SW/4, and	Section 31:	NE/4 NE/4, W/2 E/2, and W/2
SE/4			
Section 25:	NE/4 and S/2		SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST,
Section 26:	S/2 S/2	<u>NMPM</u>	
Section 27:	All	Section 1:	E/2
Section 32:	SE/4		
Section 33:	NE/4 and S/2		SOUTH, RANGE 27 EAST,
Section 34:	All	<u>NMPM</u>	
Section 35:	All	Section 1:	S/2
Section 36:	All	Section 2:	S/2
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TOWNSHIP 17	SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST,	Section 4:	All
<u>NMPM</u>		Section 5	All
Section 7:	All	Section 6:	All
Section 8:	SW/4	Section 7	All
Section 9:	NE/4 NE/4, S/2 NE/4, and SE/4	Section 8:	All
Section 10:	SW/4	Section 9:	All
Section 11:	S/2	Section 17:	N/2
Section 12:	SW/4 SW/4	Section 18:	NE/4, N/2 NW/4, and SE/4
Section 14:	W/2	NW/4.	

- (5) Currently the Red Lake (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Pool is governed by the Division's statewide rules, which require development on standard 40-acre spacing and proration units, each having a top unit depth bracket allowable of 80 barrels of oil per day and a limiting gas/oil ratio of 2,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil, and allow infill drilling on each 40-acre unit.
  - (6) Within a 1236.85-acre area, more or less, comprising the following described

acreage in Eddy County, New Mexico, Devon is the operator of the West Red Lake Unit Area (approved by Division Order No. R-3453 dated July 12, 1968) in which waterflood operations are being conducted with injection into the Red Lake (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Pool (approved by Division Order No. R-3469, issued in Case No. 3824, dated August 13, 1968, and designated the West Red Lake Waterflood Project).

- (7) The remaining 19 wells listed in Paragraph No. (2) above are either completed in or proposed to be completed in the Red Lake (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Pool, and each well will have a standard 40-acre, more or less, unit dedicated thereto. Eleven wells will be infill wells within existing 40-acre oil proration units while the remaining eight wells will be considered new designations.
  - (8) The applicant presented evidence that indicates the following:
    - (a) All of the wells are located on federal land, except the Kaiser No. 1, which is located on fee land.
    - (b) The subject pool is continuous across the area, trending in a northeast-southwest direction.
    - (c) The original locations for all of the subject wells were orthodox, but were moved due to topographic and engineering reasons.
    - (d) The subject area is near the Pecos River, with numerous draws and elevation changes of 100-200 feet. The Bureau of Land Management requested that numerous well locations be moved to prevent extreme cut and fill of slopes and prevent erosion of the highly erodible soil in this area. In addition, there are numerous gas transmission and gathering pipelines, roads, existing wells, and a gas plant. All of these factors limit well locations.
    - (e) Average reserves in wells completed in the subject pool are about 50,000 barrels of oil, which equate to approximately 24 acres of drainage. The drainage radius of such a well is much less than a well that is capable of draining 40 acres. The applicant has drilled wells within 400-450 feet of older, above-average wells in the pool, and has seen no evidence of drainage from those older wells.
    - (f) Directional drilling is not feasible because the small reserves in these wells do not justify the additional drilling and operating costs.

- (g) Applicant is drilling two wells per 40-acre unit to: (i) adequately drain each unit, and (ii) prepare for a possible future waterflood project. Injection in the West Red Lake Unit has shown a favorable production response. Drilling two wells per 40-acre unit could allow the Unit's waterflood project to be expanded in the future.
- (9) Each of the above-described unorthodox oil well locations should be approved for one or more of the following reasons:
  - (a) The location is a move toward the interior of a lease;
  - (b) The location encroaches on a lease not owned or operated by the applicant, but notice was given to the offset and the Division received no objection;
  - (c) The location will not drain the offset well unit due to the limited drainage areas in the subject pool;
  - (d) A well will be drilled offsetting the proposed unorthodox well, or the offsetting well unit has existing wells producing from the same pool; and/or
  - (e) There are no overriding royalty interest owners in the tract offsetting the subject well, or the applicant is the only overriding royalty interest owner in the offsetting tract.
- (10) Approval of the proposed unorthodox oil well locations will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of oil and gas from the subject pool and will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The applicant, Devon Energy Corporation (Nevada), is hereby authorized to drill the wells described below at unorthodox oil well locations in the Red Lake (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Pool in Township 17 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico:

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