

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Director
Oil Conservation Division

Energen Resources Corporation 2198 Bloomfield Highway Farmington, New Mexico 87401

Attention:

**Richard Corcoran** 

Administrative Order NSL-4972

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") on September 30, 2003 (administrative application reference No. pMES0-328838025); and (ii) the Division's records in Santa Fe: all concerning Energen Resources Corporation's ("Energen") request for an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "Special Rules for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-A, issued in Case No. 12069 and dated February 1, 1999, as amended by Division Order No. R-10987-A (1), dated December 2, 2002, for Energen's proposed Jicarilla "95" Well No. 5-C, to be drilled at an unorthodox infill gas well location 2140 feet from the North line and 105 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 25, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, NMPM, Blanco-Mesaverde Pool (72319), Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The Blanco-Mesaverde gas production from this well is to be included within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") comprising the W/2 of Section 25 which is currently dedicated to Enegen's: (i) Jicarilla "95" Well No. 5 (API No. 30-039-06881), located at a standard gas well location 990 feet from the South line and 890 feet from the West line (Unit M) of Section 25; (ii) Jicarilla "95" Well No. 5-A (API No. 30-039-21483), located at a standard infill gas well location 1190 feet from the North and West lines (Unit D) of Section 25; and (iii) Jicarilla "95" Well No. 5-B (API No. 30-039-26889), located at a standard infill gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1975 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 25.

This application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2), the above-described unorthodox Blanco-Mesaverde infill gas well location for the proposed Jicarilla "95" Well No. 5-C is hereby approved. Further, all four of the aforementioned Jicarilla "95" Wells No. 5, 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C, and existing 320-acre GPU will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico and to the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

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