

### NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

BILL RICHARDSON Governor Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary November 21, 2003

Lori Wrotenbery Director Oil Conservation Division

XTO Energy, Inc. 810 Houston Street Fort Worth, Texas 76102-6298

Attention: Tim Welch Senior Landman

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Without this approval the immediate application for an infill Blanco-Mesaverde gas well is hereby ruled incomplete as of November 21, 20032. Please submit the above stated information by Monday, December 1, 2003.

In accordance with the Division's Engineering Bureau's policy the Division cannot proceed with your application until the required information is submitted. Upon receipt, the Division will continue to process your application. The additional information can be faxed to (505) 476-3462, mailed to the Division in Santa Fe, or e-mailed to me at "<u>mstogner@state.nm.us</u>." If the necessary information is not submitted, your application will be returned to you. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Aztec

Oil Conservation Division \* 1220 South St. Francis Drive \* Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Phone: (505) 476-3440 \* Fax (505) 476-3462 \* <u>http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us</u>



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Re: Administrative Reference No. pMES0-332535109 XTO Energy Inc. /Aztec Com. 4 Wells, No.'s 1 & 2 W/2 of Sec. 16-30N-16W San Juan County, New Mexico

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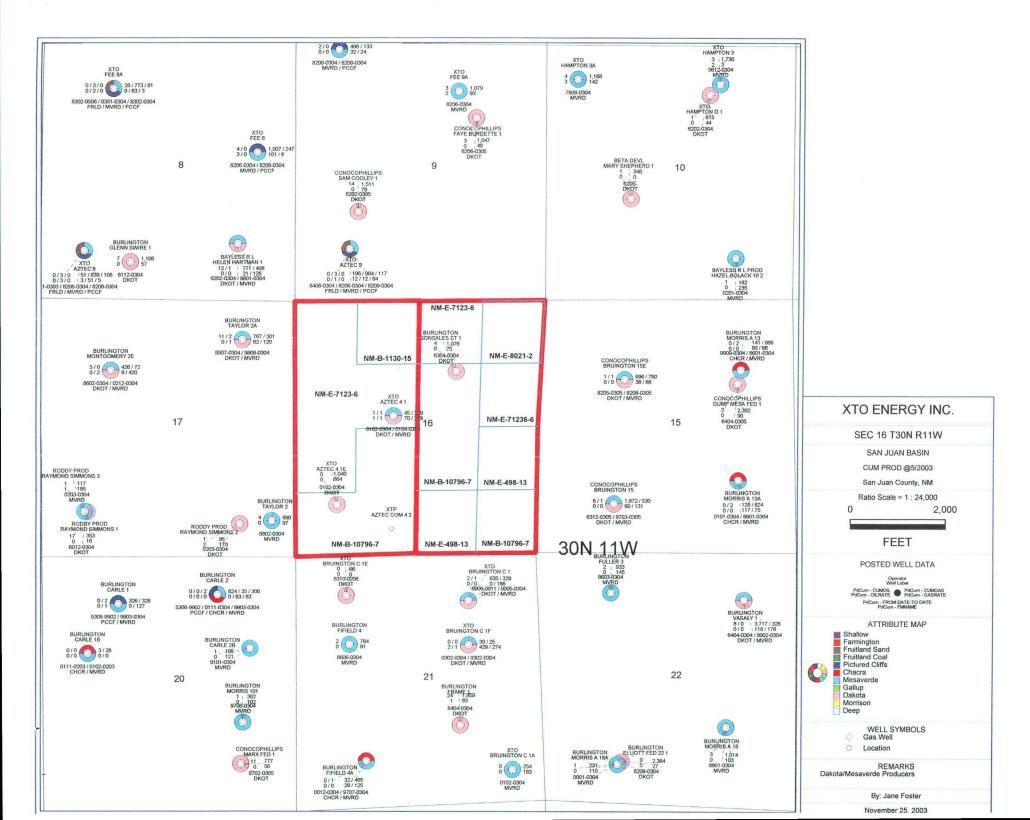
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Re: XTO Energy Inc. Aztec Com. 4 Well No. 1 SE/4 NW/4 of Section 16-30N-11W 2,370' FNL & 2,045' FWL (Unit F) San Juan County, New Mexico

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## **Fax Transmission**

**XTO ENERGY INC.** 

810 Houston St. Ft. Worth, TX 76102 817-885-2661 Fax: 817-885-2224

То:	Mr. Michael Stogner	Date:	11/25/03	
	NMOCD	_		
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From:	TIM WELCH			

Subject: NMOCD Admin. Application No. pMESO-332535109

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#### **COMMENTS:**

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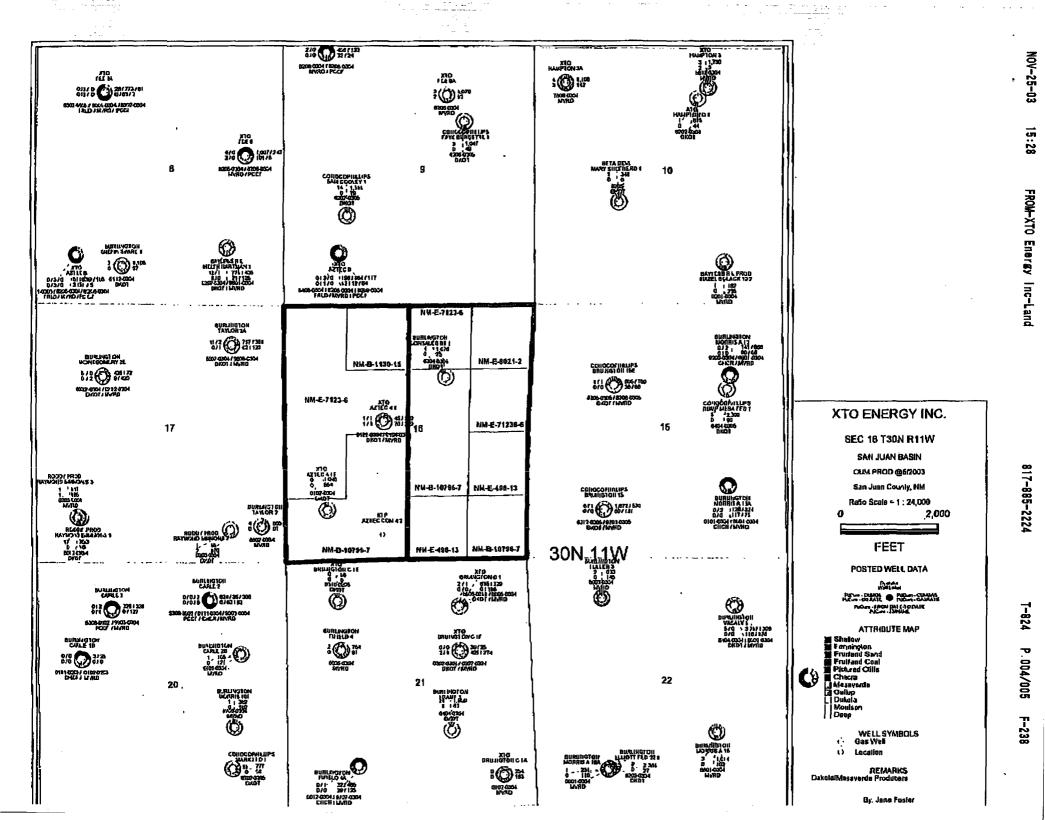
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