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Mr. James Bruce
P.O. Box 1056
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Administrative Order NSL-6117

**Re: Mewbourne Oil Company
Pierce Crossing 36 State Well No. 2H
API No. 30-015-37379
Unit C, Section 36-24S-29E
Eddy County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Bruce:

Reference is made to the following:

(a) your application (**administrative application reference No. pTGW09-31429205**) submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (the Division) in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on behalf of Mewbourne Oil Company [OGRID 14744] (Mewbourne), on November 9, 2009, and

(b) the Division's records pertinent to this request.

Mewbourne has requested to drill the above-referenced well as a horizontal well in the Delaware formation, at a location that will be unorthodox under Division Rule 16.14.B(2). The proposed surface location, point of penetration, and terminus of the well are as follows:

Surface Location: 180 feet from the North line and 2300 feet from the West line
(Unit C) of Section 36, Township 24-S, Range 29-E, NMPM,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Point of Penetration: same as surface location

Terminus 330 feet from the South line and 2210 feet from the West line
(Unit N) of said section



The E/2 W/2 of Section 36 will be dedicated to the proposed well to form a project area comprising four standard 40-acre spacing units in the undesignated Northwest Corral Canyon Delaware Pool (96464). This pool is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A, which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary. This location is unorthodox because a portion of the producing interval will be less than 330 feet from the northern boundary of the project area, and therefore outside the producing area.

Your application on behalf of Mewbourne has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 and 4.12.A(2).

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location in order to include the maximum amount of the intended producing horizon within the producing area in the horizontal portion of the wellbore.

It is also understood that you have given due notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark E. Fesmire', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark E. Fesmire, P.E.
Director

MEF/db

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia
New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe