

## NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Cross Timbers Operating Company 810 Houston Street - Suite 2000 Fort Worth, Texas 76102-6298 Attention: Tim Welch

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Administrative Order NSL-4529

Dear Mr. Welch:

Reference is made to the following: (i) your application dated November 2, 2000; and (ii) the records of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") in Santa Fe and Aztec: all concerning Cross Timbers Operating Company's ("Cross Timbers") request for an unorthodox Blanco-Mesaverde gas well location within a proposed 319.23-acre standard lay-down gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 9 and 10, the SW/4, and the S/2 SE/4 (S/2 equivalent) of Section 11 for the existing Chrisman Gas Com. Well No. 1 (API No. 30-045-09680), located 2165 feet from the South line and 1090 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 11, Township 30 North, Range 12 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. According to the Division's well records the subject well was drilled in 1965 by Pan American Petroleum Corporation and completed in the Basin-Dakota Pool at a location considered to be standard at that time for a standard 318.82-acre stand-up gas spacing and proration unit comprising Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6 and the SW/4 (W/2 equivalent) of Section 11.

It is our understanding that Cross Timbers intends to abandon the Dakota interval in this well at this time and recomplete up-hole into the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool. Pursuant to the "Special Rules for the Blanco-Mesaverde Pool," as promulgated by Division Order No. R-10987-A, the location of this well is considered to be unorthodox.

The application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 104.F and 605.B and the applicable rules governing both pools.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division Rule 104.F (2) the above-described unorthodox gas well location for the Chrisman Gas Com. Well No. 1 is hereby approved.

Further, the aforementioned well and spacing unit will be subject to all existing rules, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to prorated gas pools in Northwest, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Lori Wrotenbery

Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Aztec

U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Farmington