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Michael E. Stogner Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Mr. Stogner:

J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P. hereby resubmits its application for administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for the following well:

Well: Location: Unit:

State 32 Well No. 1 1129 feet FSL & 2150 feet FWL SE¼SW¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Roosevelt County, New Mexico

The original application is enclosed, together with a copy of your letter of April 11, 2003.

I understand your concerns, due to the geologic mapping enclosed with the original application. However, please note the following additional materials:

- 1. The well in the NW¼ §5-9S-34E produced approximately 46,000 BO from the Devonian formation before watering out, and it is necessary to move up-structure from that well.
- 2. Attached to this letter as Exhibit 1 is a seismic map, showing that the proposed location is the highest location structurally in the Devonian formation in Section 32. Thus, applicant believes this is the best location for the proposed well. If you have any questions about this map, feel free to call Thompson's

geologist, Mike Fowler, at (432) 366-8866.¹

3. The correlative rights of all interest owners in the S½ of Section 32, where the structure is located, will be protected because the S½ is being proposed for unitization (a hearing on the unitization application is set for the April 24th Examiner hearing).² As a result, development of offsetting well units is not an issue.

Based on the foregoing, applicant requests that you reconsider your original denial, and approve the application.

Please call me if you need any further information on this matter.

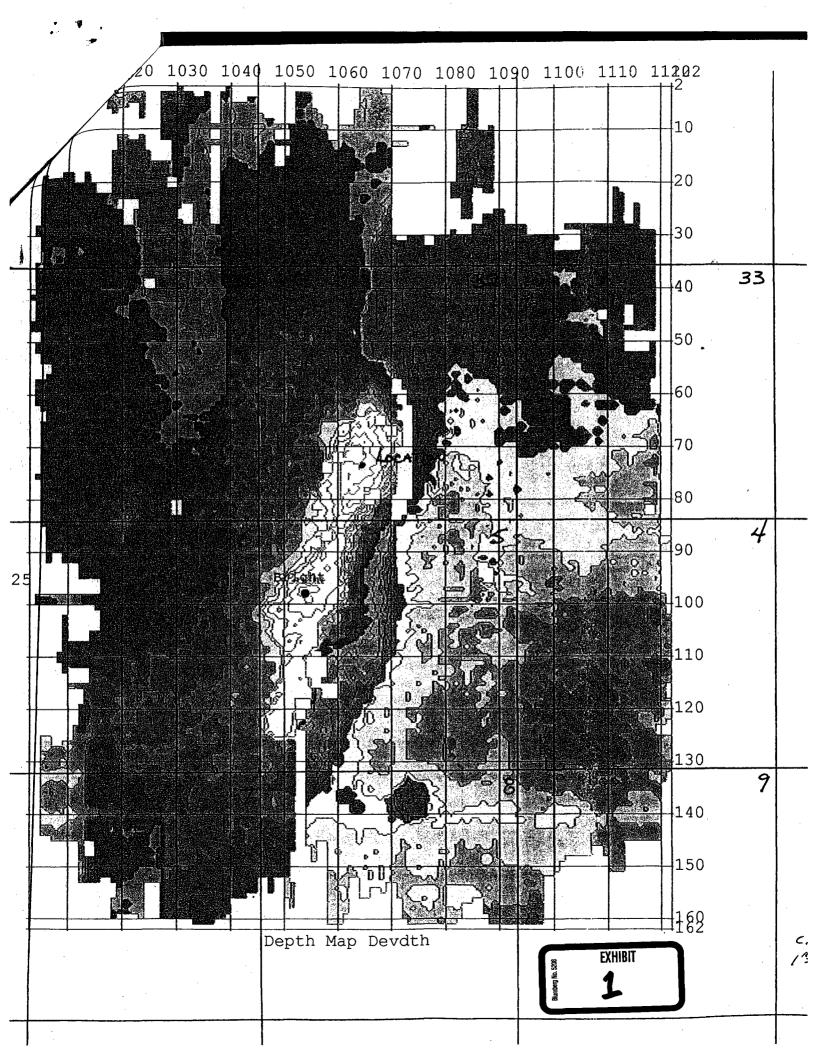
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Attorney for J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P.

¹Midland/Odessa has a new area code.

²Preliminary approval is being sought from the Commissioner of Public Lands. The S½ of Section 32 is all Common School land.





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BILL RICHARDSON Governor Joanna Prukop Cabinet Secretary

April 11, 2003

Lori Wrotenbery Director Oil Conservation Division

J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L. P. c/o James Bruce P. O. Box 1056 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Re: Administrative application (application reference No. pKRV0-309853346) for an exception to Division Rule 104.B (1), revised by Division Order No. R-11231, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case No. 12119 on August 12, 1999, for J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L. P.'s proposed State "32" Well No. 1 at an unorthodox oil well location 1129 feet from the South line and 2150 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Undesignated Northwest Jenkins-Devonian Pool (33940), Roosevelt County, New Mexico, within a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit comprising the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 32.

Dear Mr. Bruce:

In reviewing the subject application as submitted and assuming no other factors, there are other locations within the SE/4 SW/4 of Section 32 that meet the necessary set back requirements for a standard oil well location while satisfying the desired geological parameters. By moving the location at least 46.5 yards to the south and placing the well anywhere along a line running east/west between the points 990' FSL & 2150' FWL and 990' FSL & 2310' FWL the proposed location would: (i) be standard; (ii) remain within the structural highs depicted on the geological maps (Exhibits B and C); and (iii) not adversely affect or impact the development of this interval.

The conservation rules in all oil and gas producing states governing well spacing and the placement of these wells within such drilling tracts/spacing units have been enacted to promote the orderly development of that states valuable oil and gas resources by preventing waste, protecting correlative rights, and preventing the drilling of unnecessary wells.

This unorthodox oil well location, being deemed unnecessary and unwarranted at this time, is therefore **denied**.

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Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs New Mexico State Land Office - Santa Fe Kathy Valdes, NMOCD - Santa Fe

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Michael E. Stogner Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Pursuant to Division Rule 104.F(2), J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P. applies for administrative approval of an unorthodox oil well location for the following well:

<u>Well</u> :	State 32 Well No. 1
Location:	1129 feet FSL & 2150 feet FWL
Unit:	SE¼SW¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range
	34 East, N.M.P.M., Roosevelt County, New
	Mexico

The well will be drilled to test the Devonian formation (Undesignated Northwest Jenkins Devonian Pool), which is developed on statewide rules. A Form C-102 for the well is attached as Exhibit A.

The application is based on geologic reasons. Attached as Exhibits B and C are structure maps of the Wolfcamp and Devonian formations. The proposed location is on a structural high, which is necessary for commercial Devonian production. The well to the southwest, in the SW4NW4 §5-9S-34E, produced approximately 46,000 BO from the Devonian formation, and applicant desires to move up-structure and away from that well.

Attached as Exhibit D is a land plat, highlighting the well's location. (The yellow outline indicates applicant's leasehold position.) The SW¼ of Section 32 is covered by State V-6497-2, which has common royalty and working interest ownership (there are no overriding royalties). Therefore, there are no offset interest owners to notify. As a result, applicant requests that the 20 day

notice period be waived.

Please call me if you need any further information on this matter.

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Attorney for J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P. ie of New Mexico als & Natural Resources Department

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