# **BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND** NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION OF COLEMAN OIL & GAS, INC. FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 104.C(2)(c) TO **AUTHORIZE TWO OPERATORS IN A SINGLE 320-**ACRE BASIN-FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL SPACING UNIT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW **MEXICO.** 

CASE NO. /3/0

### AFFIDAVIT

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss. COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

William F. Carr, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Coleman Oil & Gas,

Inc., the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that notice has been given to all interested persons shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto in accordance with Oil Conservation Division Rules, and that true and correct copies of the notice letter and proof of

notice are attached hereto.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this the day of March 2005.



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My Commission Expires:

Notary

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Case No. <u>13460</u> Exhibit No. 4 Submitted by: COLEMAN OIL & GAS INC. Hearing Date: April 7, 2005

### EXHIBIT A

### **NOTIFICATION LIST**

## APPLICATION OF COLEMAN OIL & GAS, INC. FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 104.C(2)(c) TO AUTHORIZE TWO OPERATORS IN A SINGLE 320-ACRE BASIN-FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL SPACING UNIT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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### March 14, 2005

### **CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

## TO AFFECTED INTEREST OWNERS

Re: Application of Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc. for an exception to Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) to authorize two operators in a single 320-acre Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool spacing unit, San Juan County New Mexico.

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division seeking an exception to Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) to allow two operators in a 320-acre spacing unit in the N/2 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 11 West, NMPM. Coleman proposes to drill and operate its Juniper Com Well No. 32-12 in the NE/4 of the section and Dugan Production Corporation proposes to drill and operate its Kermit Com Well No. 90 in the NW/4 of the Section. This spacing unit will be simultaneously dedicated in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool the Coleman and Dugan wells.

This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on April 7, 2005 at Porter Hall in the Division's Santa Fe offices. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Oil Conservation Division's Santa Fe office located at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, three days in advance of a scheduled hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

William F. Carr Attorney for Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc.

cc: Mr. Alan Emmendorfer Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc.

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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

## APPLICATION OF COLEMAN OIL & GAS, INC. FOR AN EXCEPTION TO RULE 104.C(2)(c) TO AUTHORIZE TWO OPERATORS IN A SINGLE 320-ACRE BASIN-FRUITLAND COAL GAS POOL SPACING UNIT, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.

### **APPLICATION**

COLEMAN OIL & GAS, INC. ("Coleman"), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby makes application for an order granting an exception to the provisions of Division General Rule 104.C(2)(c) to allow two operators on a single standard 320-acre coal gas spacing unit in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool comprised of the N/2 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico and in support of its application states:

1. The N/2 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 11 West is located in the "Low Productivity Area" of the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. The Rule 7(d) of the Special Rules and Regulations for this pool provide for two wells per standard 320-acre gas spacing unit provided the second well shall not be drilled in the quarter section containing the initial coal gas well.

2. Coleman is the owner of the working interest in the NE/4 of Section 12 on which it proposes to drill its Juniper Com Well 32-12 at a standard Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool well location. Dugan Production Corporation is the owner of the working interest in the NW/4 of Section 12 on which it proposes to drill its Kermit Com Well 90 at a standard Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool well location.

3. Each operator desires to develop its acreage with a coal gas well drilled at a standard location in the in the N/2 of this section. However, the parties cannot reach an agreement on the AFE costs or on the terms of an Operating Agreement covering this property and neither desires to cede operations of its acreage in the N/2 of the section to the other operator.

4. To resolve the issues between the parties concerning the development of this acreage, Dugan and Coleman have reached an agreement, subject to Division approval of an exception to the provisions of Rule 104.C(2)(c), whereby Dugan will drill and operate its well in the NW/4 of this section and Coleman will drill and operate its well in the NE/4 of the section. A copy of the letter dated February 17, 2005 that memorialized this agreement is attached as Exhibit A to this application.

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5. Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) requires the operator of an infill well on a 320-acre unit to be the same as the operator of the initial well. Therefore, Coleman and Dugan cannot operate and produce their respective wells without this exception to Division Rules.

6. Coleman therefore requests an exception to Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) to allow two operators in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool in the Standard Coal gas spacing unit comprised of the N/2 of Section 12.

7. Approval of this application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc. requests that this application be set for hearing before a Division Examiner on April 7, 2005, and that after notice and hearing as required by law and the Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division, the Division enter its order granting this application.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLLAND & HART, LLP

By:

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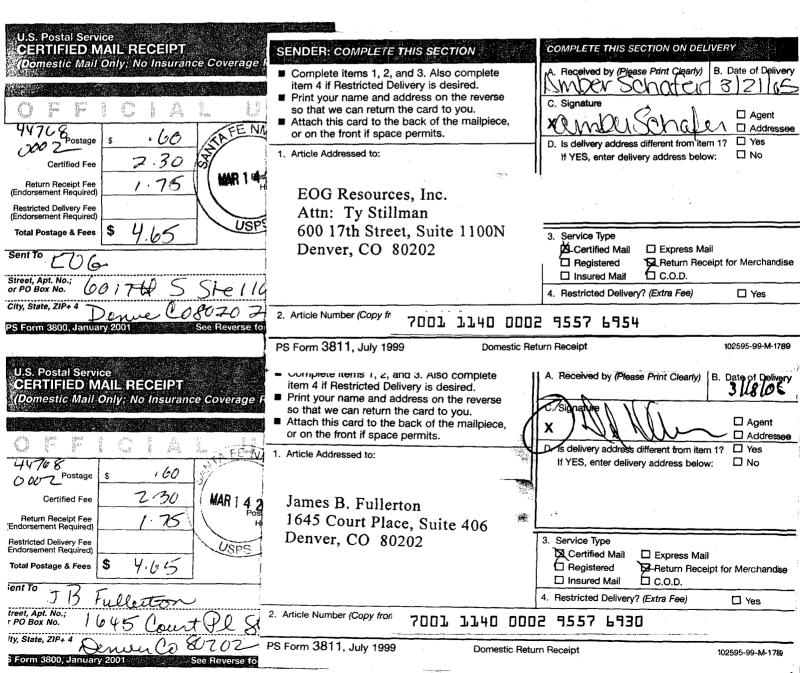
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Application of Coleman Oil & Gas, Inc. for an exception to Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) to authorize two operators in a single 320-acre Basin Fruitland Coal Gas Pool spacing unit, San Juan County New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order granting an exception to Division Rule 104.C(2)(c) to allow two operators in a standard 320-acre spacing unit comprised of the N/2 of Section 12, Township 24 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, to form a standard 320-acre gas spacing in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool. This spacing unit is located approximately 30 miles southeast of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

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