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Application For Simultaneous Dedication and Unorthodox Location Ute Indian Well A#26 625' FNL, 2620' FEL, Section 1-T31N-R14W Ute Dome Dakota Pool San Juan County, New Mexico

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- 1. Amoco is the operator of the Mountain Ute Gas Com C-1 Well which is completed as a producing gas well in the Dakota fromation at a standard location in the northeast quarter of Section 1, T31N-R14W.
- 2. The Mountain Ute Gas Com C-1 Well is unable to drain the reserves under the NE/4 of said Section 1 due to faults in the Dakota formation which transverse the quarter section.
- 3. Amoco seeks an exception to NMOCD General Rule 104.C.3 and 104.D.3 to permit it to drill its proposed Ute Indian Well A#26 as a second well in the NE/4 of said Section 1 at an unorthodox location and simultaneously dedicate the NE/4 of Section one to the Mountain Ute Gas Com C-1 well.
- 4. Approval of this application and the drilling of the Ute Indian Well A#26 will enable Amoco to produce its just and fair share of the reserves under the NE/4 of said Section 1 and will otherwise be in the best interest of conservation and the protection of correlative rights.

Amoco requests that this matter be set for hearing before an examiner of the NMOCD on September 5, 1996. A copy of this application will be sent to the operator of all the offsetting quarter sections and to the BLM and the Ute Mountain Indian Tribe as notice. Should you have questions, do not he sitate to call me at (303) 830-5072.

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