



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Farmington District Office
1235 La Plata Highway
Farmington, New Mexico 87401

IN REPLY REFER TO:
3162.3 (07600)

JUN 5 1997

Mr. Keith Baker
Burlington Resources
P.O. Box 4289
Farmington, NM 87499


Dear Mr. Baker:

Recently, the Farmington District Office, Bureau of Land Management (FDO) has met with Burlington Resources and Conoco Inc. concerning a number of issues related to the deep well tests of the Pennsylvania and Mississippian Formations. During these meetings, we discussed compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) as related the test wells and full field development. Based on the requirements of NEPA, drilling and completing of test wells can be accomplished with an environmental assessment. Prior to full field development, and dependent upon the anticipated impacts, an environmental impact statement (EIS) may be required. The time frames for an EIS is approximately 18 months. Starting this process as early as possible will facilitate future development.

Additionally, the FDO is concerned with impacts of full field development on cultural resources. The process by which the Fruitland pipeline projects have been approved has served both industry and the FDO well. However, the time frames concerning completion of cultural obligations following pipeline completion has been an issue. As stated in our letter of August 1996 to Burlington Resources, Amoco Production Co., Phillips Petroleum Co. and Williams Field Services Co., the time has come to promptly fulfill lingering cultural mitigation obligations. Utilizing a "Fruitland-like" approach to expedite full field development of these deep formations will only be considered if the existing Fruitland cultural mitigation obligations have been brought up-to-date.

Enclosed is approval of the first deep test well for Burlington Resources. To date, we have received two Notice of Stakings (NOS) from Conoco Inc. for deep test wells. This letter is to formally notify you that upon completion of the deep test wells and prior to any type of field development, an EIS may be required and the mitigation of other resources, including cultural resources, will have to be evaluated. This evaluation will be done on a regional basis (not company by company) and prior to full field development. If you have any questions or would like to discuss these issues further, please contact me at (505) 599-6330.

Sincerely,


Ilyse Auringer
Land Resources Team Lead

CC: Amoco Production Company
Conoco, Inc.

BEFORE THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Case No. 11808&09 Exhibit No. 9
Submitted By:
Burlington Resources
Hearing Date: July 10, 1997

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, DEEPEN, OR PLUG BACK

1a. Type of Work DRILL	5. Lease Number SF-078604 Unit Reporting Number	
1b. Type of Well GAS	6. If Indian, All. or Tribe	
2. Operator BURLINGTON RESOURCES Oil & Gas Company	7. Unit Agreement Name	
3. Address & Phone No. of Operator PO Box 4289, Farmington, NM 87499 (505) 326-9700	8. Farm or Lease Name Marcotte 9. Well Number 2	
4. Location of Well 1540' FSL, 935' FEL Latitude 36° 54.6, Longitude 107° 54.0	10. Field, Pool, Wildcat Rico, Honaker Trail, Isamay, Desert Creek, Akah, Barker Creek, Alkali Gulch, Molas, Leadville, Wildcat 11. Sec., Twn. Rge, Mer. (NMPM) Sec 8, T-31-N, R-10-W API # 30-045	
14. Distance in Miles from Nearest Town 2.25 miles to Cedar Hill	12. County San Juan	13. State NM
15. Distance from Proposed Location to Nearest Property or Lease Line 16. Acres in Lease	- 935' 17. Acres Assigned to Well 160 SE/4	
18. Distance from Proposed Location to Nearest Well, Drig. Compl, or Applied for on this Lease 19. Proposed Depth 14,225'	- 220' 20. Rotary or Cable Tools Rotary	
21. Elevations (DF, FT, GR, Etc.) 5987'GR	22. Approx. Date Work will Start DRILLING OPERATIONS AUTHORIZED ARE SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH ATTACHED "GENERAL REQUIREMENTS"	
23. Proposed Casing and Cementing Program See Operations Plan attached		
24. Authorized by: <u>[Signature]</u> Regulatory/Compliance Administrator	4-10-97 Date	

PERMIT NO.

APPROVAL DATE

JUN 05 1997

APPROVED BY

TITLE

DATE

SEE ATTACHED FOR
COMPLETION OF PERMIT

Please Note: BLM letter of June 5, 1997

Archaeological Report submitted by Arboles Contract Archaeology Technical Report #1037

Threatened and Endangered Species Report submitted

NOTE: This format is issued in lieu of U.S. BLM Form 3160-3

OPERATOR

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PO Box 2980, Hobbs, NM 88241-1990
District II
PO Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88211-0719
District III
1000 N. Main Rd., Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
PO Box 2088, Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
PO Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2088

Form C-102
Revised February 21, 1994
Instructions on back
Submit to Appropriate District Office
State Lease - 4 Copies
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 20 045-	Pool Code	Pool Name Wildcat: Rico, Alkali Gulch, Molas, Leadville, Honaker Trail, Tsmay, Desert Creek, Akah, Barko
Property Code 7287	Property Name Marcotte	Well Number 2
OGUID No. 14538	Operator Name BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY	Elevation 5987'

10 Surface Location

UL or loc no.	Section	Township	Range	Lat. lon.	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
I	8	31-N	10-W		1540	South	935	East	S.J.

11 Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or loc no.	Section	Township	Range	Lat. lon.	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

Dedicated Acre 640	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

<div>10</div> <div>8</div> <div>SF - 078604</div> <div>2</div> <div>1</div> <div>3</div> <div>4</div> <div>5</div> <div>1540'</div> <div>935'</div>					<div>17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</div> <p>I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p> <div>CONFIDENTIAL</div> <div></div> <div>Peggy Bradfield</div> <div>Regulatory Administrator</div> <div>6/30/97</div> <div>2/16/97</div>	
					<div>18 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</div> <p>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.</p> <div>2/16/97</div> <div>NEALE C. EDWARDS</div> <div>NEW MEXICO</div> <div>6857</div> <div>6857</div>	