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Tamarack Petroleum Company, Inc.
c/o **W. Thomas Kellahin**
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Re: Administrative application dated March 10, 2000 for a non-standard subsurface gas well location to be within 110 of a point that is 1179 feet from the North line and 2211 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, pursuant to Division Rules 104.F and 111.C (2), to be applicable for all formations developed on 320-acre spacing from the top of the Wolfcamp formation to the base of the Atoka formation for the plugged and abandoned Anadarko Petroleum Corporation Hood "8" Well No. 1 (API No. 30-025-30513), located on the surface 859 feet from the North line and 1981 feet from the East line (Unit B) of Section 8. The E/2 of Section 8, being a standard 320-acre gas spacing and proration unit for gas production from these intervals [see Division Rule 104.C (2)], is to be dedicated to this well.

Dear Mr. Kellahin:

Pursuant to the attached notice dated October 25, 1999 and the intent of the recent changes to Division Rule 104 with respect to deep gas wells in southeast New Mexico, this application will not be considered under the administrative process. In order for the Division to establish suitable grounds and acceptable criteria for issuing such exceptions, this application will be set for hearing pursuant to Rule 104.F (5). The next available docket is for the April 20, 2000 examiner's hearing. Thank you for your cooperation, understanding, and continued support in making this very important portion of New Mexico's conservation Rules a meaningful success.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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