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November 21, 2002

Offset Operators

RE: Application for a Non-Standard Location
State A #6
Hobbs Lower Blinbry Pool (#31650)
Lea County, New Mexico

Attached please find a copy of an Application for a Non-Standard Location that Apache Corporation has filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. If you have an objection to this application, you must notify the OCD in writing within 20 days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

APACHE CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tarah Fagen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tarah" and last name "Fagen" clearly distinguishable.

Tarah Fagen
Engineering Tech

Attachments



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State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Division
2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Application for a Non-Standard Location and Proration Unit
State A #6
Hobbs Field
Lower Blinebry Pool (31650)
Lea County, New Mexico

Apache Corporation would like to request administrative approval for a Non-Standard Location for the referenced well in the Hobbs Field, Lower Blinebry Pool. It is our understanding that 2 wells are allowed in this 80 Acre Oil Pool. Apache currently operates the State A #5 well, which is a downhole commingled Drinkard/Lower Blinebry producer. The Lower Blinebry production from the #5 well is from the Hobbs Field, Lower Blinebry Pool. The State A #6 will be the second well to produce from this pool.

To support our request, we submit the following information:

- 1) The State A #6 well was drilled as a twin to the State A #4 well. The #4 is active in the Upper Blinebry Pool (31680). It was necessary to move the #6 location sufficient distance away from the #4 to avoid interference in the drilling/completion process.
- 2) NM-OCD Form C-101 to Plug Back in the State A #6.
- 3) NM-OCD Form C-102 for the State A #6 well.
- 4) NM-OCD Form C-102 for the State A #5 well.
- 5) Plat of Section 32 with Apache's State A Acreage (Consisting of 80 Acres) outlined on the plat.

6) Copy of letter sent (by Certified Mail) to all offset operators.

If you should have any questions, or require any further information regarding this application, please contact me at 918-491-4978. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

APACHE CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Greg Beaty". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

William "Greg" Beaty
Senior Production Engineer

Attachments

Cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
District I
1625 N. French Dr.
Hobbs, New Mexico

DATE IN	SUSPENSE	ENGINEER	LOGGED IN	TYPE	APP NO
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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

Application Acronyms:

[NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]

[DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]

[PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]

[WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]

[SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]

[EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1] TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A]

[A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication

☒ NSL ☐ NSP ☐ SD

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

[B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement

☐ DHC ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM

[C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery

☐ WFX ☐ PMX ☐ SWD ☐ IPI ☐ EOR ☐ PPR

[D] Other: Specify _____

[2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply

[A] ☐ Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners

[B] ☒ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner

[C] ☐ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice

[D] ☐ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office

[E] ☐ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,

[F] ☐ Waivers are Attached

[3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Tarah Fagen
Print or Type Name

Tarah Fagen
Signature

Engineering Tech
Title

11/23/02
Date

tfagen@apache corp. com
e-mail address

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1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
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State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-101
Revised March 17, 1999

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Submit to appropriate District Office
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Fee Lease - 5 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, RE-ENTER, DEEPEN, PLUGBACK, OR ADD A ZONE

¹ Operator Name and Address Apache Corporation, 6120 South Yale, Suite 1500 Tulsa, OK 74136-4224		² OGRID Number 873
		³ API Number 30 - 025-35304
³ Property Code 26481	⁵ Property Name State "A"	⁶ Well No. 6

⁷ Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
B	32	18S	38E		990	North	1817	East	Lea

⁸ Proposed Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

⁹ Proposed Pool 1 Hobbs (Drinkard) - #31730	¹⁰ Proposed Pool 2 Hobbs (Lower Blinbry) - #31650
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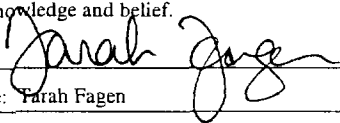
¹¹ Work Type Code P	¹² Well Type Code 0	¹³ Cable/Rotary Pulling Unit	¹⁴ Lease Type Code P	¹⁵ Ground Level Elevation 3641
¹⁶ Multiple Y	¹⁷ Proposed Depth 7150'	¹⁸ Formation Drinkard	¹⁹ Contractor Unknown	²⁰ Spud Date Plug Back 01/13/03

²¹ Proposed Casing and Cement Program

Hole Size	Casing Size	Casing weight/foot	Setting Depth	Sacks of Cement	Estimated TOC
See Initial Application					

²² Describe the proposed program. If this application is to DEEPEN or PLUG BACK, give the data on the present productive zone and proposed new productive zone.
Describe the blowout prevention program, if any. Use additional sheets if necessary.

See Attached

²³ I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.		OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Signature: 		Approved by:	
Printed name: Sarah Fagen		Title:	
Title: Engineering Tech		Approval Date:	Expiration Date:
Date: 11/21/02	Phone: 918-491-4816	Conditions of Approval:	
		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>	

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Revised August 15, 2000
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☒ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

¹ API Number 30-025-23116	² Pool Code 31650	³ Pool Name Hobbs Lower-Blinbry
⁴ Property Code 26481	⁵ Property Name State "A"	⁶ Well Number 5
⁷ OGRID No. 000873	⁸ Operator Name Apache Corporateion	⁹ Elevation 3648

¹⁰ Surface Location

UL or lot no. A	Section 32	Township 18S	Range 38E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 660	North/South line North	Feet from the 660	East/West line East	County Lea
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¹¹ Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
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¹² Dedicated Acres 80	¹³ Joint or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ 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

¹⁶					¹⁷ OPERATOR CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature: <u>Tarah Fagen</u> Printed Name: Tarah Fagen Engineering Tech Title: Date: 11/23/02
					¹⁸ SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION 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. Date of Survey: Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor: Certificate Number:

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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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⁴ Property Code 26481	⁵ Property Name State "A"	⁶ Well Number 6
⁷ OGRID No. 000873	⁸ Operator Name Apache Corporateion	⁹ Elevation 3641

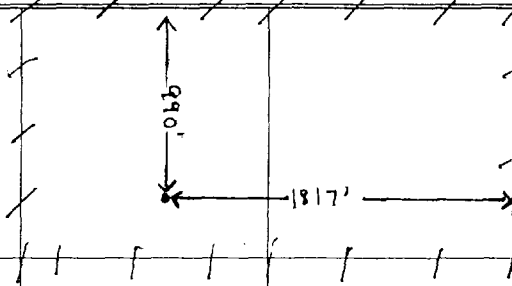
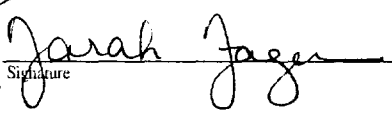
¹⁰ Surface Location

UL or lot no. B	Section 32	Township 18S	Range 38E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 990	North/South line North	Feet from the 1817	East/West line East	County Lea
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¹¹ Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

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FAX TRANSMITTAL FORM

To

Name: Michael E. Stogner
Office: OGD
Fax number: 505-476-3471

From

W. Thomas Kellahin
Telephone 505-982-4285
Facsimile 505-982-2047
TKELLAHIN@AOL.COM

☐ Urgent
☐ For Review
☐ Please Comment
☐ Please Reply

Date sent: 1-23-03
Time sent: 4:20 pm
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Re: NMOCB Case 12986

Apache Corporation application for unorthodox well location

Dear Mr. Stogner:

In accordance with your instructions at the conclusion of the hearing this morning, attached are copies of the green cards showing notification in this matter.

Very truly yours,

W. Thomas Kellahin

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