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## CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 871 Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Attention: Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr., Secretary-Director

e: Continental Oil Company's application for a non-standard location for its Wm. Mitchell "A" No. 20, to be drilled 1320 feet from the North line and 1520 feet from the West line of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Maljamar Paddock Pool, Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Continental Oil Company respectfully requests administrative approval for granting an exception to Rule 104(c) of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations under provisions of Rule 104(f) of same said Rules, for drilling its Wm. Mitchell "A" No. 20 well, 1320 feet from the North line and 1520 feet from the West line of Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 32 East, Maljamar Paddock Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. The proposed location conforms with the requirements of said Rule 104 in all respects, except Rule 104(c), and an exception to the requirements of Rule 104(c) is requested in accordance with Rule 104(f).

In support of this request we would like to point out that:

- 1. Maljamar Grayburg-San Andres Pool wells have already been drilled on the regular 40-acre locations within the quarter-section.
- 2. Continental Oil Company owns and operates all lands within a 660-foot radius of the proposed location.

A plat is attached hereto showing the proposed location of the Wm. Mitchell "A" No. 20 circled in red and the existing producing wells and dry holes in the Maljamar Paddock Pool circled in green. The Wm. Mitchell "A" Lease is outlined in red.

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The above location is believed to be within the best prospective area, structurally, according to available geologic data and will recover reserves otherwise unobtainable from existing wells.

A Notice of Intention to Drill (C-101) shall be filed designating the exact legal subdivision allotted to the well upon approval of this application.

In view of the facts set out herein it is respectfully requested that the Commission enter an order approving the non-standard location for Continental Oil Company's Wm. Mitchell "A" No. 20, described above. In the event this application is not eligible for administrative approval, it is requested that it be set for hearing at the earliest date.

Wm. A. MEAD

Division Superintendent

of Production

New Mexico Division

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Louis B. Houston

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF CHAVES

Wm. A. Mead, upon being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Division Superintendent of Production for Continental Oil Company, and as such is authorized to file the foregoing application, that he has read said application and knows the contents thereof, and that the statements made therein are true, as he is credibly informed and believes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $3^{7}$ 

My Commission expires: