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R-14634

Apache Corporation
ATTN: Ms. Jan Baker
303 Veterans Airpark Lane, Suite 1000
Midland, TX 79705-4561

July 16, 2018

RE: Final Approval of Unit Agreement
Thunderbird Development Unit
Eddy County, NM

Dear Ms. Baker:

This office has received Apache Corporation's letter dated April 19, 2018, requesting final approval for the Thunderbird Development Unit, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The New Mexico State Land Office has this date granted final approval for the Thunderbird Development Unit Agreement. State Land Office approval is subject to like approval by the Bureau of Land Management and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

- The unit agreement becomes effective on May 1, 2018.
- The NM State Land Office has also received Apache's letter dated April 18, 2018, requesting an extension from November 1, 2018, to September 2019 to comply with the Section 9 requirement to submit an initial paying well determination. Section 9 of the unit agreement also allows the AO and Land Commissioner to modify any of the drilling requirements by granting reasonable extensions of time when, in their opinion, such action is warranted. In a letter dated June 13, 2018, the AO granted this extension to September 1, 2019. The State Land Office concurs with the BLM's extension to submit a paying well determination no later than **September 1, 2019**.
- Your filing fee of \$600 has been received.
- Enclosed are five (5) Certificates of Approval.
- Please note the attached checklist to assist in completing the NM State Land Office requirements for this unit.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further assistance, please contact Units Manager Marilyn Gruebel at 505.827.5791 or mgruebel@slo.state.nm.us.

Respectfully,


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COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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cc: NMOCD – Attn: Mr. Daniel Sanchez
NMRMD – Attn: Mr. Roddy Martinez
BLM CFO – Attn: Mr. Chris Walls
OGMD and Units Reader Files

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NM State Land Office Post-Approval Checklist
For Thunderbird Development Unit

- By September 1, 2019, submit a “paying quantities” determination request.
- Name all unit wells as “Thunderbird Development Unit” wells.
- Provide a Plan of Development (POD) every year by March 1 that updates the POD submitted with the request for final approval.

NEW UNIT: REPORT TO DEPARTMENTS

SLO APPROVAL DATE		EFFECTIVE DATE	OCD CASE NO.	OCD ORDER NO.	OCD APPROVAL DATE	TOTAL ACREAGE	STATE	FEDERAL	INDIAN	FEE	SEGREGATION CLAUSE TYPE
7/16/2018		5/1/2018	15874	R-14634	4/6/2018	3,198.44	640.00	2,558.44	0	0.00	Modified
TOWNSHIP:			RANGE:		SECTION:		DESCRIPTION				
16S			30E		32		E2				
					33		ALL				
					34		ALL				
					35		ALL				
					36		S2				
17S			30E		4		ALL				

UNIT NAME: Thunderbird Development Unit
 OPERATOR: Apache Corporation
 OGRID #: 873
 COUNTY: Eddy

UNIT #: 300390
 UNIT TYPE: FEXPL