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Oil Conservation Division



June 18, 2018

Ms. Deanna Poindexter, Operations Engineer Cross Timbers Energy, LLC 400 West Seventh Street Fort Worth, TX 76102

RE: Packer Setting Depth Exception

North Vacuum Abo Unit Well No. 175 (API 30-025-24325) Unit H, Sec 14, T17S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico

Injection Authority: Administrative Order PMX-50 (dated September 13, 1973) under the

terms of Commission Order No. R-4430 (as amended)

Permitted Interval: Abo formation

Pool: Vacuum; Abo, North (Pool code: 61760)

Ms. Poindexter:

Reference is made to your request on behalf of Cross Timbers Energy, LLC (OGRID 298299; "Cross Timbers") received by the Division on June 11, 2018, for the above named well. Cross Timbers applied for exception for setting the packer within 100 feet of the top perforation in the injection interval.

It is our understanding that Cross Timbers has requested a packer setting depth of 8355 feet below surface or approximately 129 feet above the top perforation of the injection well located at 8484 feet below surface. A permanent packer is currently set at 8437 feet and will not hold pressure with a seal assembly. As a result, Cross Timbers is requesting to install a new retrievable packer at a depth of 8355 feet.

Cross Timbers has provided a log section identifying the top of the approved interval of the pressure maintenance project, the Abo formation, at a depth of approximately 8060 feet below surface. The proposed setting depth for the new packer at 8355 feet would be approximately 295 feet below the upper contact of the Abo formation and within the approved interval.

For the reasons stated in the application and because it appears that correlative rights are protected, waste will not occur and this modification will not endanger any fresh water aquifer or the

environment, the exception is granted. The packer location within this well shall not be set higher than 129 feet above the current depth of the top perforation unless the operator receives written approval from the Division Director.

The Division Director may rescind this exception if it becomes apparent that the injected fluid is not being confined to the permitted interval or is endangering any fresh water aquifer.

Sincerely,

HEATHER RILEY

Director

HR/prg

cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs District Office

Well File - 30-025-24325

CROSS TIMBERS ENERGY, LLC

TO: Heather Riley, NMOCD Division Director

FROM: Deanna M. Poindexter, Operations Engineer

DATE: June 11, 2018

Re: Packer Setting Depth Exception Request

Well Name: North Vacuum Abo Unit 175

Location: Section 14-17S-34E, Lea County, NM

API: 30-025-24325

Cross Timbers Energy, LLC, operates the North Vacuum Abo Unit #175 in Lea County, NM. This is an injection well into the Abo formation of the North Vacuum Abo Unit Waterflood. The subject well is currently shut-in pending work. Cross Timbers Energy respectfully requests an exception to the packer setting depth to 129' above the top perforation.

Per the attached wellbore schematic, there is currently a permanent packer located at 8,437' that will not hold pressure with a seal assembly. This necessitates the installation of a new retrievable injection packer above 8,437'. A prior attempt at setting a packer in the two joints of casing above the permanent packer was not successful. A revised setting depth of 8,355' would put the new injection packer into the next joint uphole where a good seal with the packing elements could be obtained.

Attached to this request is a log section identifying the perforations and the top of the Abo. At 8,355′, the new packer will be 295′ below the top of the Abo.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this request. Your time and consideration in this matter are appreciated.

Deanna M. Poindexter Operations Engineer

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Well Name:

North Vacuum Abo Unit #175

Location: County:

1980' FNL & 485' FEL Lea

Sec: 14 State: NM

CURRENT

Township: API:

17S

Range:

4,032'

4,017'

12/22/1972

30-025-24325

34E

Surface Csg

Size: Wt & Thrd: Grade:

12-3/4" 34# J-55, 8RD, STC

Sx Cmt: Circ: TOC:

Set @:

2651 400 sx Yes Sfc

KB: GL:

Spud Date:

Intermediate Csg

Size: Wt & Thrd: Grade:

8-5/8" 28# J-55, 8RD STC

Set @: Sx Cmt:

3,060' 1400 sx Yes

Circ: TOC:

Sfc

Production Casing

Size: Wt & Thrd:

5-1/2" 17# J-55, 8RD, LTC

Set @: Sx Cmt:

Grade:

8,750' 2300 sx Yes

Circ: TOC:

Sfc

Baker Model NB Packer with Baker Model D Seal Assembly @ 8,437' F Nipple (1.81" ID) @ 8,453' 2-3/8" OE tbg @ 8,460'

Abo Perfs (58 holes):

8,484' - 8,490'

8,494' - 8,500'

8,514' - 8,517'

8,520'

8,524' - 8,526'

8,529' - 8,535'

TD: 8,750'

Well Name: North Vacuum Abo Unit #175 Township: 34E 1980' FNL & 485' FEL Sec: 14 **17S** Range: Location: Lea State: NM API: 30-025-24325 County: **PROPOSED** KB: 4,0321 Surface Csq GL: 4,017' Spud Date: 12/22/1972 Size: 12-3/4" Wt & Thrd: 34# J-55, 8RD, STC Grade: Set @: 265' Sx Cmt: 400 sx Circ: Yes Sfc TOC: Intermediate Csg Size: 8-5/8" Wt & Thrd: 28# Grade: J-55, 8RD STC Set @: 3,060' Sx Cmt: 1400 sx 2-3/8" x 5-1/2", Arrowset Injection Packer Yes Circ: @ 8,355' on 2-3/8", 4.7#, J-55 tubing Sfc TOC: **Baker Model NB Packer with Baker** Model D Seal Assembly @ 8,437' F Nipple (1.81" ID) @ 8,453' 2-3/8" OE tbg @ 8,460' Abo Perfs (58 holes): 8,484' - 8,490' **Production Casing** 8,494' - 8,500' Size: 5-1/2" 8,514' - 8,517' 17# Wt & Thrd: 8,520'

TD: 8,750'

8,524' - 8,526' 8,529' - 8,535'

Grade:

Set @: Sx Cmt:

Circ:

TOC:

J-55, 8RD, LTC

8,750

2300 sx

Yes Sfc NVAU 175WI 30025243250000

