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Form 3160-3
(April 2004)

FORM APPROVED
OMB No 1004-0137
Expires March 31, 2007

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

5 Lease Serial No.
NMNM-094595

6 If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name
N/A

1a. Type of work ☑ DRILL ☐ REENTER

7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No
N/A

1b. Type of Well ☑ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other ☐ Single Zone ☐ Multiple Zone

8 Lease Name and Well No.
Redbud Federal #2 [302553]

2 Name of Operator
COG Operating LLC [229137]

9 API Well No.
30-015- 39489

3a Address
550 W. Texas, Suite 100 Midland TX 79701

3b Phone No. *(include area code)*
(432) 685-4384

10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory
Red Lake; Glorieta-Yeso, Northeast 96836

4. Location of Well *(Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements *)*
At surface **330' FNL & 2340' FWL, UL C**
At proposed prod zone

Non-Standard Location

11 Sec, T R M or Blk and Survey or Area
Sec 25, T17S, R27E

14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office*
2 miles North of Loco Hills, NM

12 County or Parish
Eddy

13. State
NM

15 Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig unit line, if any)	16 No of acres in lease	17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well
330'	**40**	**40**

18 Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft	19 Proposed Depth	20 BLM/BIA Bond No. on file
~~500'~~ 175'	**4700'**	**NMB000740** ; NMB000215

21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc)	22 Approximate date work will start*	23. Estimated duration
3536' GL	**(07/30/2011)** ?? rec'd 8/16/11	**15 days**

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24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No 1, shall be attached to this form

1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor
2. A Drilling Plan
3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office)
4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above)
5. Operator certification
6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer

25 Signature	Name *(Printed/Typed)*	Date
	Kelly J. Holly	**06/20/2011**

Title
Permitting Tech

Approved by *(Signature)*	Name *(Printed/Typed)*	Date
/s/ Don Peterson	**/s/ Don Peterson**	OCT 04 2011

Title	Office
Act FIELD MANAGER	**CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE**

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction

(Instructions on page 2)

ROSWELL CONTROLLED WATER BASIN

SEE ATTACHED FOR
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS
ATTACHED

DRILLING PROGRAM

1. Geologic Name of Surface Formation

Quaternary

2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Quaternary	Surface
Top of Salt	0'
Base of Salt	100'
Yates	250'
Seven Rivers	450'
Queen	950'
Grayburg	1400'
San Andres	1750'
Glorieta	3100'
Yeso Group	3200'
Tubb	4600'

3. Estimated Depths of Anticipated Fresh Water, Oil and Gas

Water Sand	150'	Fresh Water
Grayburg	1400'	Oil/Gas
San Andres	1750'	Oil/Gas
Glorieta	3100'	Oil/Gas
Yeso Group	3200'	Oil/Gas
Tubb	4600'	Oil/Gas

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No other formations are expected to give up oil, gas or fresh water in measurable quantities. Setting 13 3/8" casing to 300' and circulating cement back to the surface will protect the surface fresh water sand. The Salt Section will be protected by setting 8 5/8" casing to 1000' and circulating cement, in a single or multi-stage job and/or with an ECP, back to the surface. Any shallower zones above TD, which contain commercial quantities of oil and/or gas, will have cement circulated across them. This will be achieved by cementing, with a single or multi-stage job, the 5 1/2" production casing back 200' into the intermediate casing (although cement volume is actually calculated to surface), to be run at TD. If wellbore conditions arise that require immediate action and/or a change to this program, COG Operating LLC personnel will always react to protect the wellbore and/or environment.

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4. Casing Program

See COA

Hole Size	Interval	OD Casing	Weight	Grade	Jt., Condition	Jt.	brst/clps/ten
17 ½"	0-~~300~~'	13 3/8"	48#	H-40orJ-55	ST&C/New	ST&C	9.22/3.943/15.8
11"	0-1000'	8 5/8"	24or32#	J-55orK-55	ST&C/New	ST&C	3.03/2.029/7.82
7 7/8"	0-TD	5 1/2"	15.5or17#	J-55orL-80	LT&C/New	LT&C	1.88/1.731/2.42

5. Cement Program

13 3/8" Surface Casing:

Class C w/ 2% Cacl2 + 0.25 pps CF, 350 sx, yield 1.32, back to surface. 122% excess

8 5/8" Intermediate Casing:

11" Hole:
Single Stage: 50:50:10 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt +0.25% CF, 200 sx lead, yield-2.45 + Class C, 200 sx tail, yield-1.32, back to surface. 197% excess
Multi-Stage: Stage 1: Class C w/2% CaCl2, 200 sx, yield - 1.32; 108% excess Stage 2: 50:50:10 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt +0.25% CF, 300 sx, yield - 2.45, back to surface, 726% excess; assumption for tool is lost circulation. Multi stage tool to be set at approximately, depending on hole conditions, ~~350~~' (50' below the surface casing). Cement volumes will be adjusted proportionately for depth changes of multi stage tool.

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5 1/2" Production Casing:

Single Stage: LEAD 400 sx 35:65:6 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 5 pps LCM + 0.2% SMS + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF, yield-2.05; + TAIL 400 sx 50:50:2 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF, yield-1.37, to 200' minimum tie back to intermediate casing. 52% open hole excess, cement calculated back to surface (no need for excess in casing overlap).
Multi-Stage: Stage 1: (Assumed TD of 4800' to DV at 2500') 50:50:2, C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125

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pps CF, 500 sx, yield - 1.37, 56% excess; **this is a minimum volume and will be adjusted up after caliper is run.** Stage 2: LEAD 50:50:2 C:Poz:Gel w/ 5% Salt + 3 pps LCM + 0.6% SMS + 1% FL-25 + 1% BA-58 + 0.3% FL-52A + 0.125 pps CF, 450 sx, yield - 1.37, + TAIL Class C w/ 0.3% R-3 + 1.5% CD-32, 250 sx, yield – 1.02 88% excess calculated back to surface (no need for excess in casing overlap). Multi stage tool to be set at approximately, depending on hole conditions, 2500'. Cement volumes will be adjusted proportionately for depth changes of multi stage tool; assumption for use of tool is water flow.

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6. Minimum Specifications for Pressure Control

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #9 will consist of a double ram-type (2000 psi WP) preventer, and in some cases possibly a 2000 psi Hydril type annular preventer as provided for in Onshore Order #2. This unit will be hydraulically operated and the ram type preventer will be equipped with blind rams on top of 4 1/2" drill pipe rams on the bottom. A 13-5/8" or 11" BOP will be used, depending on the rig selected, during the drilling of the well. The BOP will be nippled up on the 13 3/8" surface casing with BOP equipment and tested to 2000 psi. When 11" BOP is used the special drilling flange will be utilized on the 13-3/8" head to allow testing the BOP with a retrievable test plug. After setting 8-5/8" the BOP will then be nippled up on the 8 5/8" intermediate casing and tested by a third party to 2000 psi and used continuously until total depth is reached. Pipe rams will be operationally checked each 24-hour period. Blind rams will be operationally checked on each trip out of the hole. These checks will be noted on the daily tour sheets. Other accessories to the BOP equipment (Exhibit #10) will include a Kelly cock and floor safety valve, choke lines and a choke manifold (Exhibit #11) with a 2000 psi WP rating.

The majority of the rigs currently in use have a 13-5/8" BOP, so no special provision is needed for most wells in the area for conventionally testing the BOP with a test plug. However, due to the vagaries of rig scheduling, it might be that one of the few rigs with 11" BOP's might be called upon to drill any specific well in the area. Note that intermediate hole size is always 11". Therefore, COG Operating LLC respectfully requests a variance to the requirement of 13-5/8" BOP on 13-3/8" casing. When that circumstance is encountered the special flange will be utilized to allow testing the entire BOP with a test plug, without subjecting the casing to test pressure. The special flange also allows the return to full-open capability if desired.

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7. Types and Characteristics of the Proposed Mud System

The well will be drilled to TD with a combination of brine, cut brine and polymer mud system. The applicable depths and properties of this system are as follows:

* Use Fresh Water Mud to 1000'

See COA

DEPTH	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATERLOSS
0-~~300'~~	Fresh Water	8.5	28	N.C.
~~300~~-1000'	Brine	10	30	N.C.
1000'-TD'	Cut Brine	8.7-9.2	30	N.C.

Sufficient mud materials will be kept at the well site to maintain mud properties and meet minimum lost circulation and weight increase requirements at all times.

8. Auxiliary Well Control and Monitoring Equipment

A. Kelly cock will be kept in the drill string at all times.

B. A full opening drill pipe-stabbing valve with proper drill pipe connections will be on the rig floor at all times.

* 9. Logging, Testing and Coring Program * See COA

A. The electric logging program will consist of GR-Dual Laterolog, Spectral Density, Dual Spaced Neutron, CSNG Log and will be run from TD to Surface.

B. Drill Stem test is not anticipated.

C. No conventional coring is anticipated.

D. Further testing procedures will be determined after the 5 ½" production casing has been cemented at TD, based on drill shows and log evaluation.

10. Abnormal Conditions, Pressure, Temperatures and Potential Hazards

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. The estimated bottom hole temperature at TD is 100 degrees and the estimated maximum bottom hole pressure is 1900 psig. Measurable gas volumes or Hydrogen Sulfide levels have not been encountered during drilling operations in this area, although a Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan is attached to this program. No major loss of circulation zones has been reported in offsetting wells.

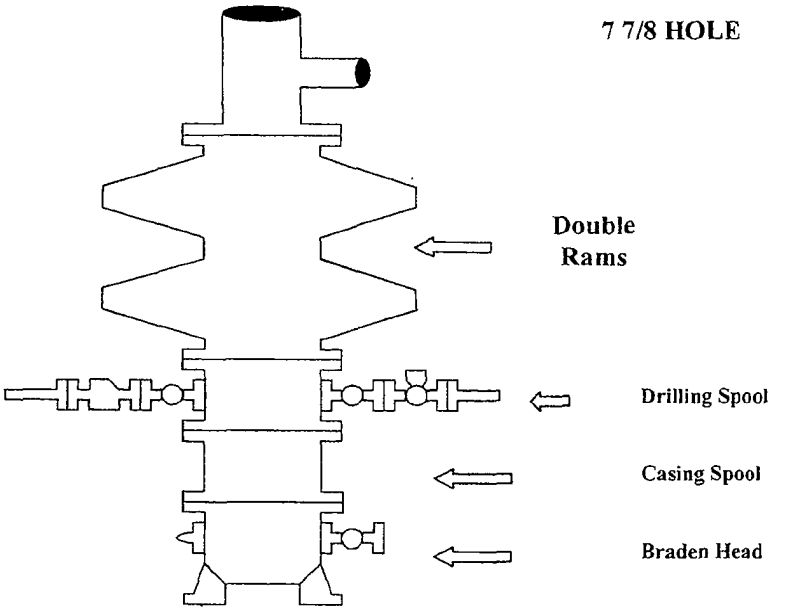
11. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations

Road and location work will not begin until approval has been received from the BLM. As this is a Master Drilling plan, please refer to the Form 3160-3 for the anticipated start date. Once commenced, drilling operations should be finished in approximately 10 days. If the well is productive, an additional 30 days will be required for completion and testing before a decision is made to install permanent facilities.

COG Operating LLC

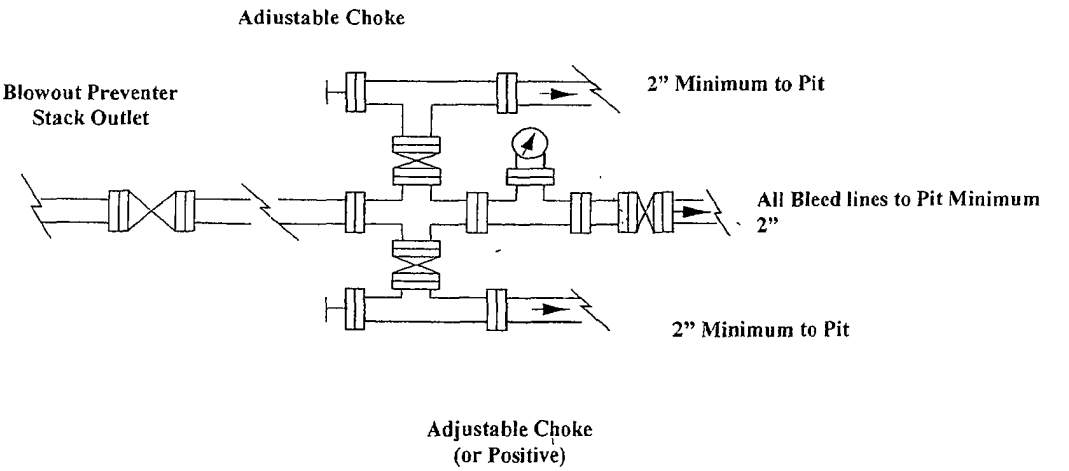
Exhibit #9

BOPE and Choke Schematic



Minimum 4" Nominal choke and kill lines

Choke Manifold Requirement (2000 psi WP)
No Annular Required



NOTES REGARDING THE BLOWOUT PREVENTERS
Master Drilling Plan
Eddy County, New Mexico

1. Drilling nipple to be so constructed that it can be removed without use of a welder through rotary table opening, with minimum I.D. equal to preventer bore.
2. Wear ring to be properly installed in head.
3. Blow out preventer and all fittings must be in good condition, 2000 psi WP minimum.
4. All fittings to be flanged.
5. Safety valve must be available on rig floor at all times with proper connections, valve to be full 2000 psi WP minimum.
6. All choke and fill lines to be securely anchored especially ends of choke lines.
7. Equipment through which bit must pass shall be at least as large as the diameter of the casing being drilled through.
8. Kelly cock on Kelly.
9. Extension wrenches and hands wheels to be properly installed.
10. Blow out preventer control to be located as close to driller's position as feasible.
11. Blow out preventer closing equipment to include minimum 40-gallon accumulator, two independent sources of pump power on each closing unit installation all API specifications.

DISTRICT 2 -- CHECKLIST FOR INTENTS TO DRILL

Operator COG OPR OGRID # 229137

302553 Well Name & # REDBUD FEDERAL #12 Surface Type (F) (S) (P)

Location: UL C Sect 25 Twnship 17 s, RNG 27 e, Sub-surface Type (F) (S) (P)

A. Date C101 rec'd 10 / 11 2012 C101 reviewed 10 / 12 / 2011

B. 1. Check mark, Information is OK on Forms:
OGRID ✓, BONDING ✓, PROP CODE ✓, WELL # ✓, SIGNATURE ✓

2. Inactive Well list as of : 10 / 12 / 2011 # wells 3626, # Inactive wells 10

a. District Grant APD but see number of inactive wells:
No letter required ✓; Sent Letter to Operator ____, to Santa Fe ____

3. Additional Bonding as of: 10 / 12 / 2011

a. District Denial because operator needs addition bonding:
No Letter required ✓; Sent Letter to Operator ____, To Santa Fe____

b. District Denial because of Inactive well list and Financial Assurance:
No Letter required ✓; Sent Letter to Operator ____, To Santa Fe ___

C. C102 YES ✓, NO ___, Signature ✓

1. Pool RED LAKE; Glorieta Yeso, NE, Code 96836

a. Dedicated acreage 40, What Units C

b. SUR. Location Standard ✓: Non-Standard Location_____

c. Well shares acres: Yes ✓, No ___, # of wells 3 plus this well #____

2. 2nd. Operator in same acreage, Yes ✓, No _____
Agreement Letter _____, Disagreement letter_____

3. Intent to Directional Drill Yes ____, No ✓

a. Dedicated acreage _____, What Units _____

b. Bottomhole Location Standard _____, Non-Standard Bottomhole _____

4. Downhole Commingle: Yes_____, No_____

a. Pool #2_____,Code_____, Acres_____
Pool #3_____, Code _____, Acres _____
Pool #4_____, Code_____, Acres_____

5. POTASH Area Yes _____, No ✓,

D. Blowout Preventer Yes ✓, No _____,

E. H2S Yes ✓, No _____,

F. C144 Pit Registration Yes _____, No _____,

G. Does APD require Santa Fe Approval:

1. Non-Standard Location: Yes _____, No _____, NSL #_____

2. Non-Standard Proration: Yes_____, No _____, NSP # _____

3. Simultaneous Dedication: Yes _____, No ____, SD # _____
Number of wells _____ Plus #_____

4. Injection order Yes _____, No ✓; PMX #_____ or WFX #_____

5. SWD order Yes _____, NO ✓; SWD # _____

6. DHC from SF_____; DHC-HOB_____; Holding_____

7. OCD Approval Date 10 / 12 / 2011 API #30-015 - 39489

8. Reviewers TCS