

OXY USA Inc. P.O. Box 50250, Midland, TX 79710-0250

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June 24, 1998

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 2040 S. Pacheco Street Santa Fe, NM 87505

Attention: Mr. Michael E. Stogner

Re: Application of OXY USA Inc. for Unorthodox Well Location OCD - ARTES Caboose State #1 1980 FNL 1650 FWL Unit F Sec 27 T23S R26E Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

OXY USA Inc. respectfully requests administrative approval under Rule 104 (F) to drill and produce the referenced well at a non-standard gas well location for 320-acre spacing. OXY proposes to designate the north half of this section as a 320-acre spacing unit for production from South Carlsbad Morrow Gas Pool.

The need for the unorthodox location is due to the geology of the Morrow. Attached is a porosity map which reveals that the porosity in the Morrow improves moving in a westerly direction from a legal location in the SE/4 of the NW/4. Drilling the proposed Oxy Caboose State #1 well at this non-standard location affords a much greater chance of intersecting undrained Morrow porosity, hence the need for the NSL authority

Also attached are a lease plat, Form C-102 and a "service list" which identifies all affected parties as defined in Rule 104 (F) (3). A copy of this cover letter and lease plat have been sent certified mail, return receipt requested, to all parties on the service list. By copy of this letter they are hereby notified that if they have any objection it must be filed within twenty days from the date of this notice.

NMOCD approval of this request will aid in protecting OXY's correlative rights and prevent waste. If I can provide any additional information to aid in processing this request, please call me at (915) 685-5717. Thank you for consideration of our application.

Sincerely,

David Stewart Regulatory Analyst OXY USA Inc.

Attachments

CC: NMOCD – Artesia Office R. Foppiano – OXY USA Inc.

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION COVERSHEET

THIS COVERSHEET IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Application Acronyms: [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [DD-Directional Drilling] [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]

Check One Only for [B] and [C]

- [B] Commingling Storage Measurement □ DHC □ CTB □ PLC □ PC □ OLS □ OLM
- [C] Injection Disposal Pressure Increase Enhanced Oil Recovery
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[2] **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply

- [A] Uvorking, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
- [B] Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Sunface XWARK Unleased Minerals Owners, and working interest owners as applicable. (S/2 Sec 27, Sec 28)
- [C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
- [E] For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
- [F] Uvaivers are Attached

[3] INFORMATION / DATA SUBMITTED IS COMPLETE - Statement of Understanding

I hereby certify that I, oppersonnekundex max supervision: have read and complied with all applicable Rules and Regulations of the Oil Conservation Division. Further, I assert that the attached application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and where applicable, verify that all interest (WI, RI, ORRI) is common. I understand that any omission of data, information or notification is cause to have the application package returned with no action taken.

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David Stewart Print or Type Name

Signature

Regulatory Analyst

Title

6/24/98

DISTRICT I P.O. Bax 1980, Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II

P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazes Bd., Astoc, NH 87410 State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals and Matural Resources Department

Form C-102 Berised February 10, 1994 Instruction on back Submit to Appropriate District Office

> State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

C AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-			Pool Code				Pool Name					
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16696					OXY USA INC					Elevation 3301'		
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Estimated Productive Limit of Morrow (Spike) Sandstone

455 Morrow Producer (Cum prod in MMCF)

Active Morrow Producer

Only wells that penetrated Morrow are shown

SOUTH CARLSBAD (MORROW) FIELD Eddy County, New Mexico

LOWER MORROW STRUCTURE

Geol: R.I. Doty	Date: 6/98		
2000 Ft	C.I. : 50 ft.		

SERVICE LIST OXY USA INC. OXY CABOOSE STATE #1 SEC 27 T23S R26E EDDY COUNTY, NM

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