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Form 3160-3 (April 2004)			FORM APPR OMB No. 1004 Expires March 3	-0137
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BUREAU OF LAND			-LC 032753 B-	<u>-0377</u>
136 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT	TO DRILL OR REENTER			
Ia. Type of work: 🔽 DRILL	EENTER		7 If Unit or CA Agreemen	
lb. Type of Well: 🚺 Oil Well 🔲 Gas Well 🛄 Other	Single Zone	Multiple Zone	8. Lease Name and Well I Elliott B Federal #	- /
2. Name of Operator Range Operating New Mexico, In	· 622-	15885	9. API Well No. 30-025	-38512
3a. Address 777 Main St., Ste. 800	3b. Phone No. (include area co	ode)	10. Field and Pool, or Explo	ratory
Fort Worth, TX 76102	817-810-1916		Eunice; San Andre	
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance v At surface 2150' FNL & 1650' FEL			11. Sec., T. R. M. or Bik.an	-
At proposed prod. zone 2150' FNL & 1650' FEL	APTTAN CONTROLLE) WATER B	ASIN Unit G, 7-T22S-R3	7E, N.M.P.M.
Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office	1788 8 8 1786 V (972/6 V 5 6 7 9 7 9		12. County of Parish	15. State
2 miles SE of Eunice, New Mexico			Lea	TX
 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 40	17. Space 40	ng Unit dedicated to this well	22232323
 Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 	19. Proposed Depth 4300	20. BLM NM2		100 E
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3430	22. Approximate date work v 09/25/2006	will start*	23. Estimated duration 9 days	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	24. Attachments			
The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of	Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, sha	all be attached to t	his form:	1534
1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.			ons unless covered by an exist	
 A Drilling Plan. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest S 	ivstem Lands, the 5. Operator			
SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office	e). 6. Such oth		formation and/or plans as may	be required by the
25. (Signature	Name (Printed/Typed)		Date	
Title Sr. Reg. Sp.	Paula Hale		1,1	09/01/2006
Approved by (Signature) (18) Don Peterson	Name (Printed Typed)	Don Pete	r son Dat	° OCT - 4 2008
FIELD MANAGER	Office C	ARLSBA	D FIELD OFFI	CE -
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the application approval does not warrant or certify that the application approval, if any, are attached.	I nt holds legal or equitable title to tho		bject lease which would entitle PPROVAL FO	
Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, mak States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representat			make to any department or ag	ency of the United
*(Instructions on page 2)				

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS ATTACHED

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NOTICE TO SURFACE OWNER

Surface Owner

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Notice Date

Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. 777 Main St., Ste. 800 Fort Worth, TX 76102 9-01-06

United State Department of the Interior

Bureau of Land Management

ROSWELL FIELD OFFICE 2902 West Second Street Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Statement Accepting Responsibility for Operations

Operator Name: Street or Box: City, State: Zip Code:

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Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. 777 Main Street, Suite 800 Fort Worth, TX 76102

The undersigned accepts all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions concerning operations conducted on the leased land or portion thereof, as described below:

Lease No.:

Legal Description of Land:

LC-032753-B

Sec. 7, T22S, R37E SW/4 NE/4

Formations:

Eunice San Andres Southwest

Bond Coverage: (State, Nationwide or Individual)

BLM Bond File No.:

NM2399

Statewide

Authorized Signature:

Title: Petroleum Engineer

Date: 9/01/06



LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



EXHIBIT A

VICINITY MAP

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SCALE: 1'' = 2 MILES

SEC. 7 TWP. 22-S RGE. 37-E SURVEY N.M.P.M. COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO DESCRIPTION 2150' FNL & 1650' FEL ELEVATION 3430' RANGE OPERATING OPERATOR NEW MEXICO, Inc. LEASE ELLIOTT "B" FEDERAL

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EXHIBIT B



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Multi-Point Surface Use Operating Plan Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. Elliott B Federal #17

This plan is submitted with form 3160-3, Applications for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, and the proposed construction. And the procedures to be followed in rehabilitation of the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental affects associated with the operation.

- 1. Existing Roads:
 - A. <u>Exhibit A</u> is a portion of a road map showing the location of the proposed well. The proposed location is situated approximately 2.5 miles SW of Eunice, New Mexico.
 - B. Directions: See Exhibit B
- 2. Planned Access Road
 - A. The proposed well site is located 2150' FNL & 1650' FEL of Section 7-T22S-R37E.
- 3. Location of Existing Wells:
 - A. There is one (1) existing well in the vicinity as shown on Exhibit D
- 4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Facilities
 - A. The Layout of the well pad, drilling rig and reserve pit are shown in Exhibit B & C.
 - B. In the event that this well is productive, the current tank battery and production facilities will be utilized.
 - C. The production facility consists of two 210 & one 500 bbl steel oil storage tanks, two 500 bbl water tanks, two vertical separators for production and two vertical separators for testing.

- 5. Location and Type of Water Supply:
 - A. The well is to be drilled with both fresh and brine water to be hauled to the location by truck and will be bought from commercial sources.
- 6. Source of Construction Material:
 - A. Any caliche required for construction of the well pad will be obtained from company-owned caliche pit.
- 7. Methods of Handling Waste Disposal:
 - A. Drill cuttings will be disposed of in the drilling pits.
 - B. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in the drilling pits until the pits are dry.
 - C. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks and hauled off site.
 - D. Human sewage will be contained in a portable chemical toilet, transported from the site and disposed of at an approved site.
 - E. Trash will be deposited in a metal container and hauled to an approved disposal site.
 - F. Within 30 days following drilling and/or completion operations, trash and debris will be hauled to an approved disposal site.
- 8. Ancillary Facilities

None

- 9. Well site Layout:
 - A. <u>Exhibit B</u> shows the dimensions of the well pad. Location of the major rig components, and well pad orientation are shown <u>Exhibit C</u>.
 - B. Topography of the area is relatively level across the entire location. Fills should be no more than 3' deep. The location will be capped with 4" to 6" of caliche.
 - C. No diversion ditches are planned.
 - D. The pad has been staked and flagged and an archeological study conducted and attached with this permit application.

10. Plans for Restoration of the Surface:

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- A. Upon completion of drilling, completion and production operations, the area disturbed by the project will be restored to BLM specifications or to as near their former natural condition as possible.
- B. All of the caliche material will be removed and the area will be leveled to pre-project grade.
- C. No drainage systems will be needed on the site.
- D. No segregation of soils is planned at this time as it is a blow sand area.
- E. Waste disposal was outlined in Section 7.
- F. Re-vegetation and fertilization will be as per BLM stipulations.
- G. All areas not used for production will be restored after completion of the well. The existing roads will not be restored.
- 11. Other Information
 - A. The general location of this site is a sandy desert and mesquite brush area. The soil has a very small amount of vegetation and stockpiling of material is not planned.
 - B. The vegetation is desert scrub characterized by various species of cacti, acacia, and mesquite.
 - C. Wildlife species that occur in the area include: rabbits, mule deer, coyote, snakes and various rodents.
 - D. No river is in the general area of the well site.
 - E. An archaeological survey of the site and proposed access road has been conducted and the report is attached.

12. Surface Owner's Name and Address:

Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. 777 Main St., Ste. 800 Fort Worth, TX 76102

- 13. Operator's Representative and Certification.
 - A. The field representatives responsible for assuring compliance with the approved surface use plan are:

	Office	Mobile
District Engineer Bryan Surles	817-810-1971	817-360-9663
Area Superintendent Chris Garcia	505-394-1485	505-631-9025

B. I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; that the statements made in this plan are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with operations proposed herein will be performed by Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. and it contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of the 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

DATE: <u>9-01-06</u>

Bryan Surles District Engineer



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EUNICE SOUTHWEST PROSPECT (San Andres) Elliott "B" Fed. No. 17 Well Objectives/Prognosis/Evaluation August 25, 2006

I) GENERAL Operator

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Operator:	Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. (19	00%)
Partners/WI:	none	
Proposed Well Designation:	Elliott "B" Federal No. 17	
API No.:	30-025-XXXXX	
Well Classification:	PUD	
Confidentiality Status:	Restricted, no information release without	ut approval
PTD (Permit Depth):	4300 ft MD	
Anticipated Spud Date:	XXXXX xx, 2006	
Estimated Days to Drill:	10	
Drilling Contractor:	United Rig No. 24	
Expected Type of Hydrocarbon:	Oil/Gas, Gravity and GOR variable	
Contacts:	Tom Brace, V.P. Geol	(817)810-1926
	Martin Emery, Project Geologist	(817)810-1951
	Steve Chapman, Reservoir Engineer	(817)810-1912
	Bobby Ebeier, Landman	(817)810-1987
	Don Robinson, Drilling Mgr.	(817)509-1506
	Bryan Surles, Oper. Eng.	(817)810-1971

II) WELL OBJECTIVES

The objective of the well is to drill and evaluate the Queen - San Andres Formations and complete the well as a San Andres producer. The expected San Andres EUR for the well is XXXX MMCFGE. The expected IP is XXX MCFG & XX BO/D.

Rennie Hubnik, Geologist

(817)810-1982

III) LOCATION

ft FEL
со
W
of Co. Rd. E-33 (Legion Rd.) and Co.
go south on Co. Rd. E-33 approx. 1.4
o west approx 1.6 miles. Turn left and
iles to a proposed road survey. Follow
pprox. 220 feet to this location.

IV) PROGNOSIS

Upper Permian Rustler Fm	+2393 ft	1047 ft MD
Upper Permian Yates Fm	: +775 ft ∰	4 2665 ft MD
Upper Permian 7 Rivers Fm	+576 ft	2864 ft MD
Upper Permian Queen Fm	⇔ ∓139 ft	3301 ft MD
Upper Permian PS Fm	-15 ft	3455 ft MD +
Upper Permian Grayburg Fm.	, -195 f t 👔	3635 ft MD 🔆 🍨
Upper Permian San Andres	-435 ft	3875 ft MD *
Fm		
PTD	-860 ft	4300 ft MD

*= Primary Reservoir Targets

+= Secondary Reservoir Targets

EUNICE SOUTHWEST PROSPECT (San Andres) Elliott "B" Fed. No. 17 Well Objectives/Prognosis/Evaluation

V) PRIMARY RESERVOIR TARGETS

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Upper Permian Grayburg DOL	
Rock Type:	DOL
Thickness:	~180 ft
Avg. Porosity:	7%; ranges from 0-14+%
Avg. Perm.:	? md
Est. Reservoir Temp.:	100-110°F
Est. Reservoir Press.:	1400-1450 psi (assuming no pressure depletion)
Upper Permian San Andres DOL	
Rock Type:	DOL
Thickness:	~250 ft
Avg. Porosity:	10-13%; ranges from 3-20%
Avg. Perm.:	? md
Est. Reservoir Temp.:	100-110°F
Est. Reservoir Press.:	1400-1450 psi (assuming no pressure depletion)

VI) SECONDARY RESERVOIR TARGETS

Upper Permian Queen &, Penrose-Skelly Formations

VII) PROPOSED WELL DESIGN Drilling Fluids/Additives: Brine, 10.1 lbs/gal Casing Design:

VIII) EVALUATION

Mud-Logging:		
Contractor:	None	
Basic Requirements:	Cuttings lithology descrip	ption/comments
	Oil shows/fluorescence/c	ut description
	Gas monitoring, chromat	ography, gas ratios
		g operations, bit and mud
	One man unit	
Correlation:	Please use the following	logs for correlation and refer to
	Section (X) for offset we	
Sampling:	ζ,	A
Reporting:	E-mail/WWW or fax dai	ly reports/logs to:
	Martin Emery	(Primary)
	(817)810-1951 (wk)	memery@rangeresources.com
	(817)810-1988 (fax)	
	(817)430-4861 (hm)	
	(817)366-3693 (cell)	
Distribution:	see attached distribution	

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EUNICE SOUTHWEST PROSPECT (San Andres) Elliott "B" Fed. No. 17 Well Objectives/Prognosis/Evaluation

VIII) EVALUATION (cont)

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Conventional Coring:

None

Open-Hole DSTs: DST Contractor: DST Program: Distribution:

None None see attached distribution

Open-Hole Logging:

Contractor: Logging Program: HALLIBURTON 2500-4300 ft MD (TD)

CSNG-DSN-SDL-DLL-Microguard (log GR-Neutron to surface)

Distribution:

see attached distribution

IX) POTENTIAL HAZARDS/PITFALLS Problematic Drilling Zones: Abnormal Pressure/Temperature Zones:

Fractured/Lost Circulation Zones:

Presence of H₂S or CO₂: Faults Intersecting the Wellbore:

X) CORRELATION LOG TOPS:

Possibility of partial depletion within Queen to San Andres Formations See above; Please tag mud if circulation is lost in primary pay interval None expected None expected

Correlations Upper Perman Rustler Fm Upper Permian Yates Fm Upper Permian 7 Rivers Fm An Participa Upper Permian Queen Fm Epper Perman PS Fm Upper Permian Grayburg Fm Upper Permian San Andres : Fm 1999

Prepared by: Date: Revised:

Rennie Hubnik August 25, 2006 August , 2006



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	1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
	District II
	1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
	District III
	1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
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	1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office. For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

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	k covered by a "general plan"? Yes 🗌 No r below-grade tank 🔲 Closure of a pit or below-gra	
Operator: Range Operating New Mexico, Inc. Telephone	e-mail address: phate	<u>wrangeresources.com</u>
Address: 777 Main St., Ste. 800, Ft. Worth, TX 76102	20617	<u> </u>
Facility or well name: <u>Elliott B Federal #17</u> API #: <u>30</u>		Sec7 T22S R37E
County: Lea Latitude		541" W NAD: 1927 ⊠ 1983 🗖
Surface Owner: Federal 🛛 State 🗌 Private 🗌 Indian 🛄		
<u>Pit</u>	Below-grade tank	
Type: Drilling Production Disposal	Volume:bbl Type of fluid:	· · ·
Workover 🔲 Emergency 🛄	Construction material:	
Lined 🔲 Unlined 🗌	Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes 🔲 If not	t, explain why not.
Liner type: Synthetic 🗌 Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay 🗌		-
Pit Volumebbl		
······································	Less than 50 feet	(20 points)
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet	(10 points)
high water elevation of ground water.)	100 feet or more	
		(0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic	Yes	(20 points)
water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	No	(0 points)
	Less than 200 feet	(20 points)
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas,	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	
irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)		(10 points)
	1000 feet or more	(0 points)
	Ranking Score (Total Points)	
If this is a pit closure: (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's	relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indica	ate disposal location: (check the onsite box if
your are burying in place) onsite 🔲 offsite 🔲 If offsite, name of facility	(3) Attach a general d	escription of remedial action taken including
remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No 🗌 Y		-
5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavat		
Additional Comments: We will not have a pit. We are using a closed loop	system.	
I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best	of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the	he above-described pit or below-grade tank
has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines	s 🗌, a general permit 🔲, or an (attached) alterna	tive OCD-approved plan .
Date: 9-01-06 .	\bigcap \square	
Printed Name/Title Paula Hale		\sim
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Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does no otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the regulations.	of relieve the operator of liability should the contents be operator of its responsibility for compliance with an	of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or 19 other federal, state, or local laws and/or
Approval:		
Approval: Printed Name/Title Nis William / Dist	OC DISTRICT SUPERVISOR/GENER	
Printed Name/Title Mus William / Aust	Signature	Date:
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Range Operating New Mexico Elliott B Federal #17 Lea County, NM Drilling Program Prepared 9/01/06

 PROPOSED DEPTH:
 4,300' MD / 4,300' TVD

 GROUND ELEVATION:
 3,430'

 KB:
 17'

LOCATION: 2150' FNL & 1650' FEL, Section 7-T22S-R37E, Lea County, NM

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTIVE FORMATION: San Andres

API NO:

GENERAL:

The Elliott B Federal #17 will be a 4,300' San Andres test in Lea County, New Mexico drilled on a daywork basis by United Rig #24. An 12-1/4" surface hole will be drilled to +/-1200'. A string of 8-5/8" casing will be run and cemented to surface.

Nipple up BOPs and test same, drilling will continue with a 7-7/8" hole to a total depth of 4,400'. Actual TD will be spaced so that casing will be landed where the casing head can be screwed on. After electric-logging the open-hole interval, a string of 5-1/2" casing will be run and cemented from total depth to 1,000' and the tubing head installed.

ESTIMATED FORMATION TOPS: (Log Depths)

Upper Permian Rustler Fm	+2393 ft	1047 ft MD
Upper Rennian Matesi Em 1976	≓+775 Ĥ.,	2665 ftMD
Upper Permian 7 Rivers Fm	+576 ft	2864 ft MD
Coper Reamon Oucer Entry	8#1 39 ft {	3301AMD
Upper Permian PS Fm	-15 ft	3455 ft MD +
a Upper Perman Graveing a	-195 ft	3635 fFMD
Upper Permian San Andres	-435 ft	3875 ft MD *
Fm	100 10	5075 R MD
PTD	-860 ft	4300 ft MD

*= Primary Reservoir Targets

+= Secondary Reservoir Targets

DETAILED DRILLING PROCEDURE

TIMES AND EVENTS TO NOTE ON DRILLING REPORT:

- A. SPUD (date and time)
- B. TD (each interval date and time)
- C. CEMENT IN PLACE (date and time)
- D. RIG RELEASE (date and time)

BOTTOM HOLE ASSEMBLIES

- BHA #1: (0-1200') Bit, (2) 8" DC, (10) 6.25" DC's
- BHA #2: (1200'-4500') Bit, (24) 6.25" DC's

USE OF RT TOOL

No RT tools in use.

MUD PROGRAM

0' - 1200' 8.4	- 9.4 32-34	NC ·
1200' - 4500' 1	0.0 28	NC

- 1) Level and build an all-weather location and access road.
- 2) MIRU United Rig #24. Perform rig safety inspection and ensure that everything is in proper working order prior to spudding well.
- 3) Notify NMOCD of intent to spud, run casing and cement each 24 hours in advance 505-748-1283.
- 4) Spud well with 12-1/4" mill tooth bit. Drill to +/- 1200' with surveys at 500' and 1000' (Actual depth will be determined by the length of the casing). Circulate hole clean. Sweep and condition hole to run casing. Pull out of hole, lay down BHA.

- NOTE: Mud through this interval will be a native spud mud supplemented with Bentonite. Lime may be used to flocculate the mud and increase the yield point to clean the hole. Mix paper for seepage control. Utilize all solids control equipment to control drill solids. Run as fine of mesh shaker screens as possible. Use water to control mud weight and viscosity. Maintain mud weight at 8.4 9.0 ppg.
- 5) Rig up casing crew and run 8-5/8", 24#, J-55 casing as follows:

1-8-5/8" Texas Pattern Shoe 1-8-5/8" Insert Float Collar 1-8-5/8" x 11" Centralizer 10' above shoe 1-8-5/8" x 11" Centralizer every other joint 1-8-5/8" Stop Ring

- 6) Circulate for at least bottoms up plus one casing volume with mud prior to cementing. Cement surface casing according to cement recommendation. NOTE: Have field bin, cement, and circulating equipment on location prior to casing job.
 - a) Review rates, pressures, displacement volumes and casing pressure rating with Service Company and rig personnel. All cement slurries are to be lab tested; both a pilot test and a test of the actual field blend. Report results, including 24 hour compressive strengths, to the office. (See Cement Testing Requirements below). Also keep two samples of each dry cement in the event that a problem is encountered while cementing. Discard this sample if all indications are positive.
 - b) Cement well as follows: Pump 20 bbl fresh water followed by 200 sks of Lead: 35/65 POZ:Class C + 6% D020 + 5% (BWOW) D044 + 1 pps D130, @ 12.8 ppg, followed by 180 sks Tail: Class C + 1% S001 + 0.1 pps D130 @ 14.8 ppg. Displace with fresh water, bump plug with w/ 500 psi over final pump pressure.
 - c) If cement is not circulated to surface, contact the office and the NMOCD and prepare to run 1" pipe and top out cement. Have 1" pipe on location for possible top-out.
 - d) If cement falls, fill 12-1/4" X 8-5/8" annulus with cement.
- 7) Release pressure and check for flow back. Set casing on bottom. If float is holding, base nipple up of wellhead and BOP on the surface cement samples. Well must stand at least 8 hours total before any testing of casing is performed as per NMOCD.
- After cementing casing, weld on 8-5/8" flange type casing head. Test BOP blind rams & choke manifold to 250# low & 3000# high. Pick up Bit #2 (7-7/8") & BHA, trip in hole, test BOP pipe rams to 250# low & 3000#. <u>Pressure test casing to 1000 psi for 30 minutes prior to drilling out shoe.</u> Clearly report this test information of the daily drilling report.

MUD NOTES: See Mud Program for details

After cementing 8-5/8" casing circ pit with brine water. Mix paper for seepage control. Utilize pre-hydrated Gel/Lime sweeps for flushing the hole. Run all available solids control equipment to control weight. Add brine water as needed to maintain volume. Add LCM to system only as needed. Use batch LCM treatment if losses occur and maintain as needed.

- 9) Drill ahead with brine water in 7-7/8" hole taking deviation surveys every ± 500' or nearest bit run per NMOCD rules. Use sweeps as needed to clean hole. Drill to ± 4400; exact TD will be determined by the length of the casing. Sweep and condition hole in preparation for logging. Spot a 50 bbl, 40-42 visc pill prior to POOH for logs. Strap out of hole.
- 10) RU Wireline Truck and Tools. Log well as instructed by Range Operating NM. Rotary sidewall cores may be required along with RFT's.

- 11) Make a conditioning trip prior to running casing. Trip into hole with BHA and drill pipe, break circulation at 4500'. Ream last two stands to bottom. Circulate and condition hole. Maintain viscosity of 28. TOH laying down 4-1/2" drill pipe and drill collars. Clear floor and prepare to run casing.
- 12) Rig up casing crew and run 5-1/2", 17#, J-55, LT&C as follows:
 - a) Float shoe (thread-lock)
 - b) 1 jt. 5-1/2", 17#, J-55, LT&C casing (thread-lock)
 - c) Float collar (thread-lock)
 - d) 5-1/2", 17#, J-55, LT&C Casing to surface.

The two bottom joints of 5-1/2" casing and the float shoe and float collar should be thread-locked (do not weld pipe). Run 1 centralizer 5' above shoe with limit clamp, one on the next collar, one just below the float collar with limit clamp and one per joint up to 3300'.

- 13) Circulate mud for at least bottoms up plus one casing volume prior to cementing.
- 14) Cement the production casing as follows. Re-figure cement volumes on a basis of: caliper + 20% + 50 sx. Precede cement with 20 bbl fresh water, 500 gals superflush, 20 bbl fresh water.

Lead (3,500' to 1,000'):

 450 sacks

 Slurry: 35:65 Poz : Class C + 6% D20 + 5% D44 + 0.3% S1 + 4 pps D42 + 0.1 pps D130

 Slurry Weight: 12.5 ppg
 Slurry Yield: 2.16 cuft/sk
 Water: 11.6 gals/sk

Tall (4,500' to 3,500');

 250 sacks

 Slurry: 50:50 Poz : Class C + 2% D20 + 5% D44

 Slurry Weight: 14.2 ppg
 Slurry Yield: 1.36 cuft/sk
 Water: 6.33 gals/sk

Review rates, pressures, displacement volumes and casing pressure rating with Service Company and rig personnel. All cement slurries are to be lab tested; both a pilot test and a test of the actual field blend. Report results, including 24 hour compressive strengths, to the office. **(See Cement Testing Requirements below).** Also keep two samples of each dry cement.

- a) Have additional water storage on location as necessary for mixing cement. Have water analyzed by cementing company for compatibility with cement and chemicals.
- b) Reciprocate pipe during cement job. Take special care to move pipe very slowly on the down stroke. Pump spacer and cement at 7-8 BPM. When the last cement has been pumped, maintain rate at 7-8 BPM. Displace with fresh water. When reaching displacement to shoe joint minus 10 bbls slow pump rate to 2 barrels per minute or less prior to bumping plug. Bump plug with 500 psi over final displacement pressure and hold pressure for 15 minutes.
- 15) Release pressure and check for flow back. If floats are holding, continue to make preparations to hang 5-1/2" casing one (1) foot off bottom. If floats do not hold, wait 12 hours on cement.
- 16) Set 5-1/2" slips in "A" section with full string weight. Nipple down BOP, Nipple up well head.

17) Install cap. Clean mud pits and release rig.

CEMENT TESTING REQUIREMENTS:

Laboratory Blend: Obtain thickening time, rheology, water loss, and compressive strengths of the laboratory cement blend with a water sample of the actual water to be used in cementing for each cement slurry to be pumped.

Field Blend: Obtain thickening time of the field cement blend with a water sample of the actual water to be used in cementing for each slurry to be pumped. If the thickening time of the field blend is consistent with the thickening time of the laboratory blend, proceed with the cement job. If not, wait on the compressive strength results. Regardless of thickening time results, obtain all of the compressive strengths of field blend to compare with the compressive strengths of the laboratory blend.

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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL - DRILLING

Well Name & No.	17 – ELLIOTT B FEDERAL
Operator's Name:	RANGE OPERATING NEW MEXICO, INC.
Location:	2150' FNL & 1650' FEL – SEC 7 – T22S – R37E – LEA COUNTY
Lease:	LC-032573B

I. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS:

1. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is to be notified at the Roswell Field Office, 2909 West Second St., Roswell NM 88201, (505) 627-0272 for wells in Chaves and Roosevelt Counties; the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220, (505) 234-5909 or (505) 361-2822 (After hours) - for wells in Eddy County; and the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240, (505) 393-3612 for wells in Lea County, in sufficient time for a representative to witness:

A. Spudding

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- B. Cementing casing: <u>8-5/8</u> inch <u>5-1/2</u> inch
- C. BOP tests

2 Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.

3. Submit a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5, one original and five copies) for each casing string, describing the casing and cementing operations. Include pertinent information such as; spud date, hole size, casing (size, weight, grade and thread type), cement (type, quantity and top), water zones and problems or hazards encountered. The Sundry shall be submitted within 15 days of completion of each casing string. The reports may be combined into the same Sundry if they fall within the same 15 day time frame.

4. The API No. assigned to the well by NMOCD shall be included on the subsequent report of setting the first casing string.

II. CASING:

1. The <u>8-5/8</u> inch surface casing shall be set at <u>1200 feet</u>, however if salt is encountered before 1200 feet the operator is to set surface casing 25 feet above the top of the salt, below usable water and cement circulated to the surface. If cement does not circulate to the surface the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey or cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Remedial cementing shall be completed prior to drilling out that string.

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the <u>5-1/2</u> inch production casing is <u>cement shall extend</u> <u>upward a minimum of 500 feet above the uppermost hydrocarbon bearing interval.</u>

III. PRESSURE CONTROL:

1. All BOP systems and related equipment shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2. The BOP and related equipment shall be installed and operational before drilling below the **8-5/8** inch casing shoe and shall be tested as described in Onshore Order No. 2. Any equipment failing to test satisfactorily shall be repaired or replaced.

2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer and related equipment (BOPE) is 2000 psi.

3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified in sufficient time for a representative to witness the tests.

- A variance to test the <u>8-5/8" surface casing</u> to the reduced pressure of <u>1000</u> psi with the rig pumps is approved.
- The tests shall be done by an independent service company.
- The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- Testing fluid must be water or an appropriate clear liquid suitable for sub-freezing temperatures. Use of drilling mud for testing is not permitted since it can mask small leaks.
- Testing must be done in a safe workman-like manner. Hard line connections shall be required.