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(April 2004)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a Type of work- <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5 Lease Serial No LC-029405B
1b Type of Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
2 Name of Operator COG Operating LLC		7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No
3a Address 550 W. Texas, Suite 1300 Midland, TX 79701		8, Lease Name and Well No <302498> GC Federal #6
3b Phone No (include area code) (432)685-4372		9. API Well No 30-025-38545
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements*) At surface 2310 FSI & 330 FWL At proposed prod zone Roswell Controlled Water Basin		10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory Maljamar Paddock
14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 3 miles south of Maljamar		11 Sec, T R M or Blk and Survey or Area Sec. 20 T17S R32E
15 Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drilg unit line, if any) 330	16 No. of acres in lease 640	12 County or Parish Lea
17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40	18 Distance from proposed* location to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 660	13 State NM
19 Proposed Depth 7100	20 BLM/BIA Bond No on file NMB000215	
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc) 3950	22 Approximate date work will start* 7/18/07	23 Estimated duration 15 days

24. Attachments

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

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| 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor | 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above), |
| 2. A Drilling Plan | 5. Operator certification |
| 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). | 6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer |

25 Signature <i>Jerry W. Sherrell</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) Jerry W. Sherrell	Date 6/25/07
Title Production Clerk		
Approved by (Signature) <i>Stephen J Caffrey</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) Steve CAFFEY	Date 7/5/07
Title FIELD MANAGER	Office 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)

SEE ATTACHED FOR
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL



APPROVAL SUBJECT TO
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS
ATTACHED

United State Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Roswell Resource Area

P.O. Drawer 1857

Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1857

Statement Accepting Responsibility for Operations

Operator name: COG Operating LLC
Street or box : 550 W. Texas Suite 1300
City, State : Midland, TX
Zip Code, : 79701

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.: LC-029405B GC Federal #6

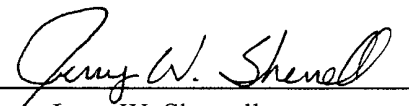
Legal Description of land: Sec. 20 T17S R32E NW/4 SW/4

Formation(s) (if applicable): Maljamar Paddock

Bond Coverage: (State if individually bonded or another's bond)
Individually Bonded

BLM Bond File No.: NMB000215

Authorized Signature:


Jerry W. Sherrell

Title: Production Clerk

Date: 6/25/07

FAUX

DISTRICT I
1625 N. FRENCH DR., HOBBS, NM 88240

DISTRICT II
1301 W GRAND AVENUE, ARTESIA, NM 88210

DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

DISTRICT IV
1225 S ST FRANCIS DR., SANTA FE, NM 87505

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Submit to Appropriate District Office

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
1220 SOUTH ST. FRANCIS DR.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

☐ AMENDED REPORT

API Number 30-025-38545	Pool Code 44500	Pool Name Maljamar Paddock
Property Code 302498	Property Name GC FEDERAL	Well Number 6
OGRID No. 229137	Operator Name COG OPERATING, LLC	Elevation 3950'

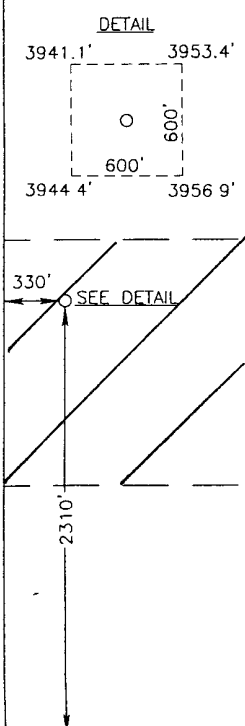
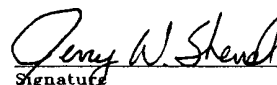
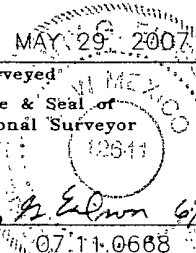
Surface Location

UL or lot No. L	Section 20	Township 17-S	Range 32-E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 2310	North/South line SOUTH	Feet from the 330	East/West line WEST	County LEA
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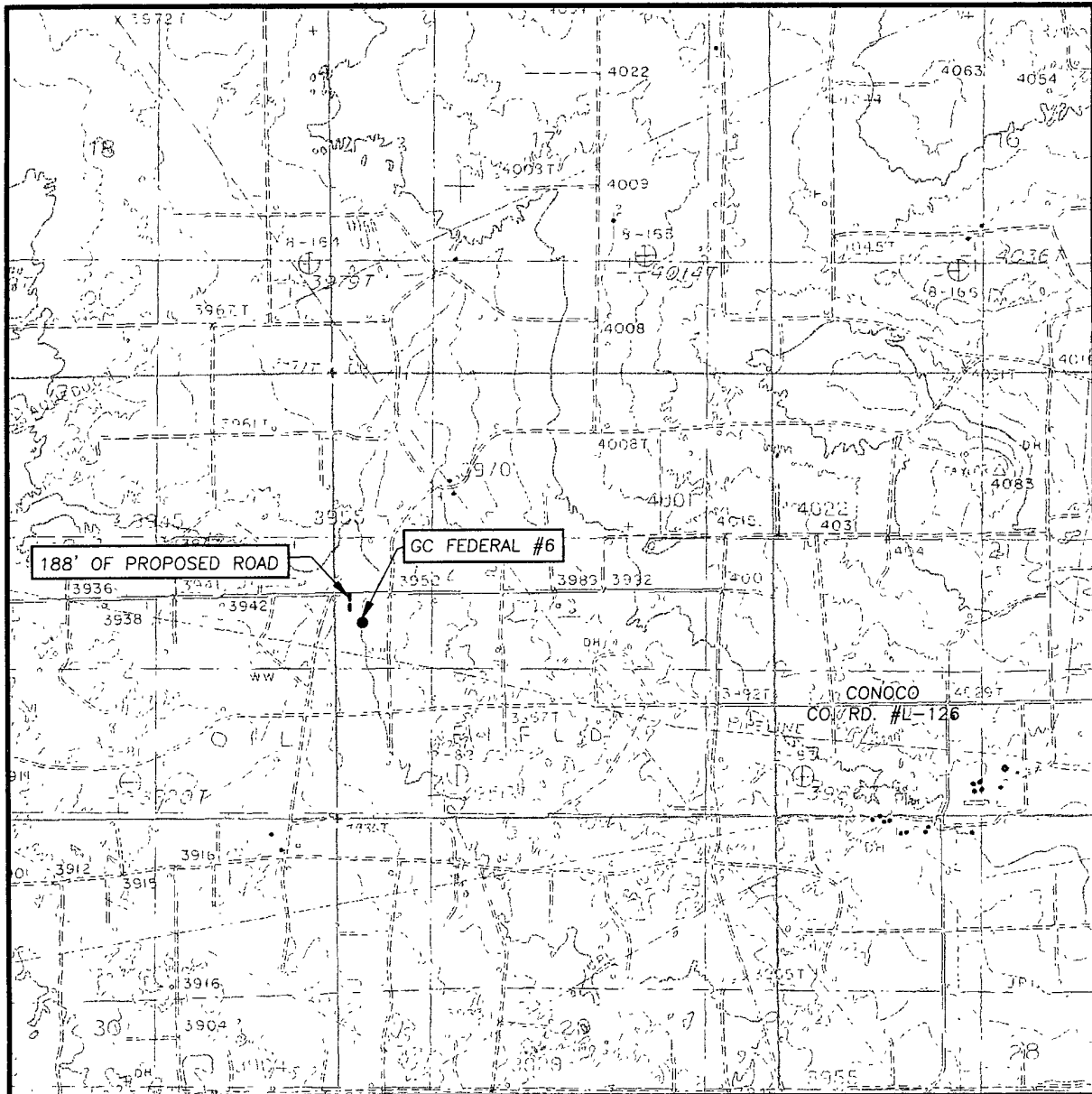
Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres 40		Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code		Order No.				

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

 <p>DETAIL</p> <p>3941.1' 3953.4'</p> <p>3944.4' 3956.9'</p> <p>330' SEE DETAIL</p> <p>2310'</p>	<p>GEODETIC COORDINATES NAD 27 NME</p> <p>Y=662129.9 N X=665190.8 E</p> <p>LAT = 32.819128° N LONG. = 103.795619° W</p>	<p>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify that the information herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.</p> <p> 6/25/07 Signature Date</p> <p>Jerry W. Sherrell Printed Name</p>	<p>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.</p> <p>MAY 29 2007</p> <p>Date Surveyed</p> <p>Signature & Seal of Professional Surveyor</p> <p> 6/4/07</p> <p>Certificate No. GARY EIDSON 12641 RONALD J. EIDSON 3239</p>
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LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:
MALJAMAR, N.M. - 10'

SEC. 20 TWP. 17-S RGE. 32-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO

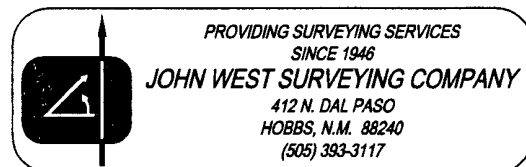
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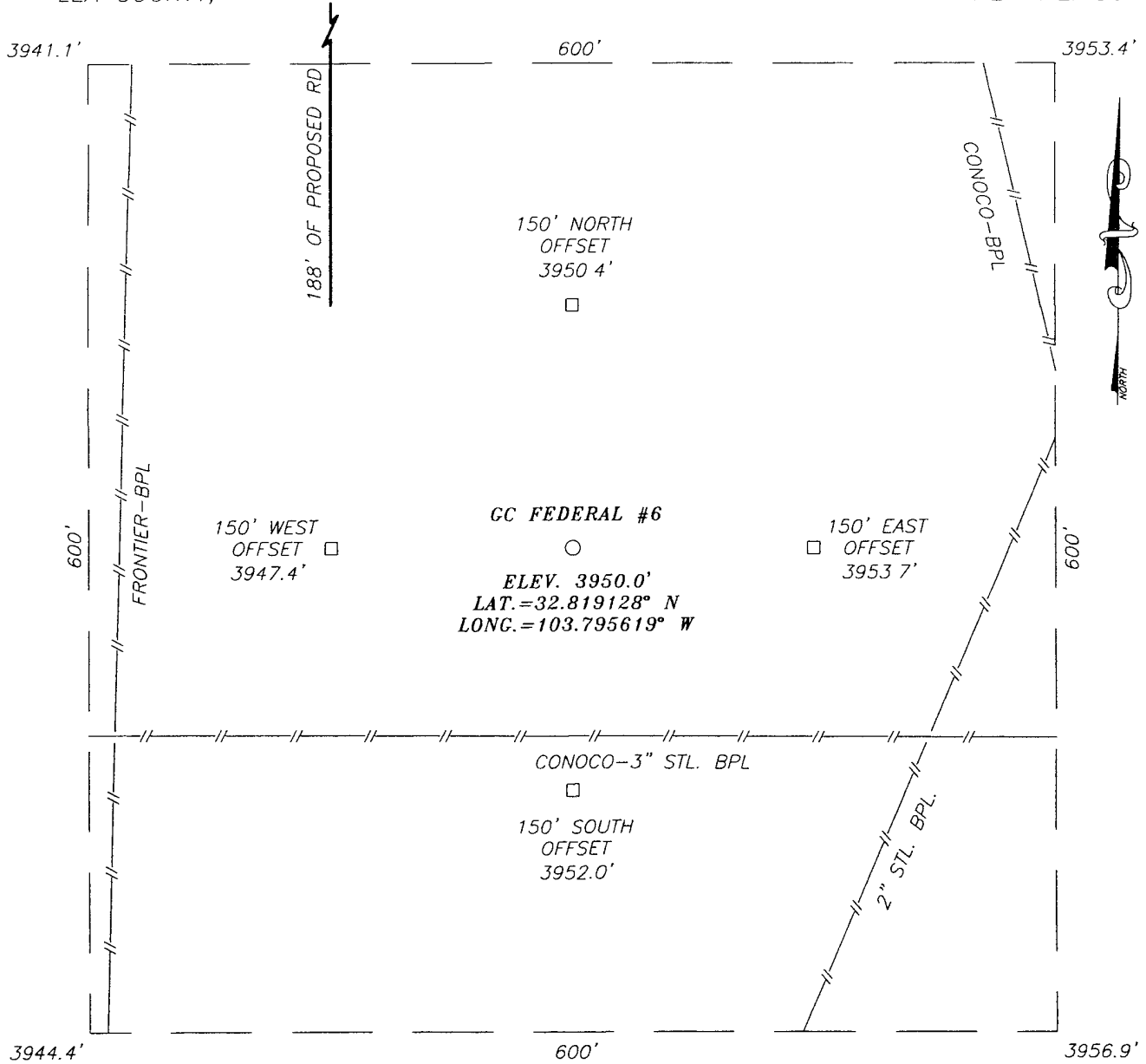
OPERATOR COG OPERATING, LLC

LEASE GC FEDERAL

U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
MALJAMAR, N.M.

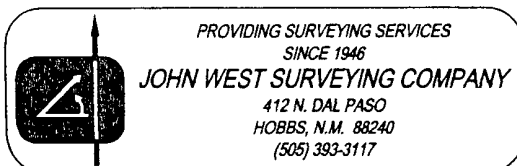
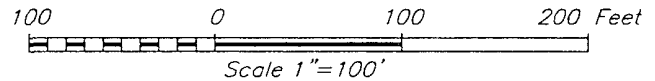


SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF CO. RD. #L-126 (MALJAMAR RD.) AND CO. RD. #L-126 (CONOCO RD.), GO WEST ON CONOCO RD. APPROX. 1.6 MILES. TURN RIGHT AND GO NORTH APPROX. 0.4 MILES. TURN LEFT AND GO WEST APPROX. 0.3 MILES. THIS LOCATION IS APPROX. 350 FEET SOUTH.

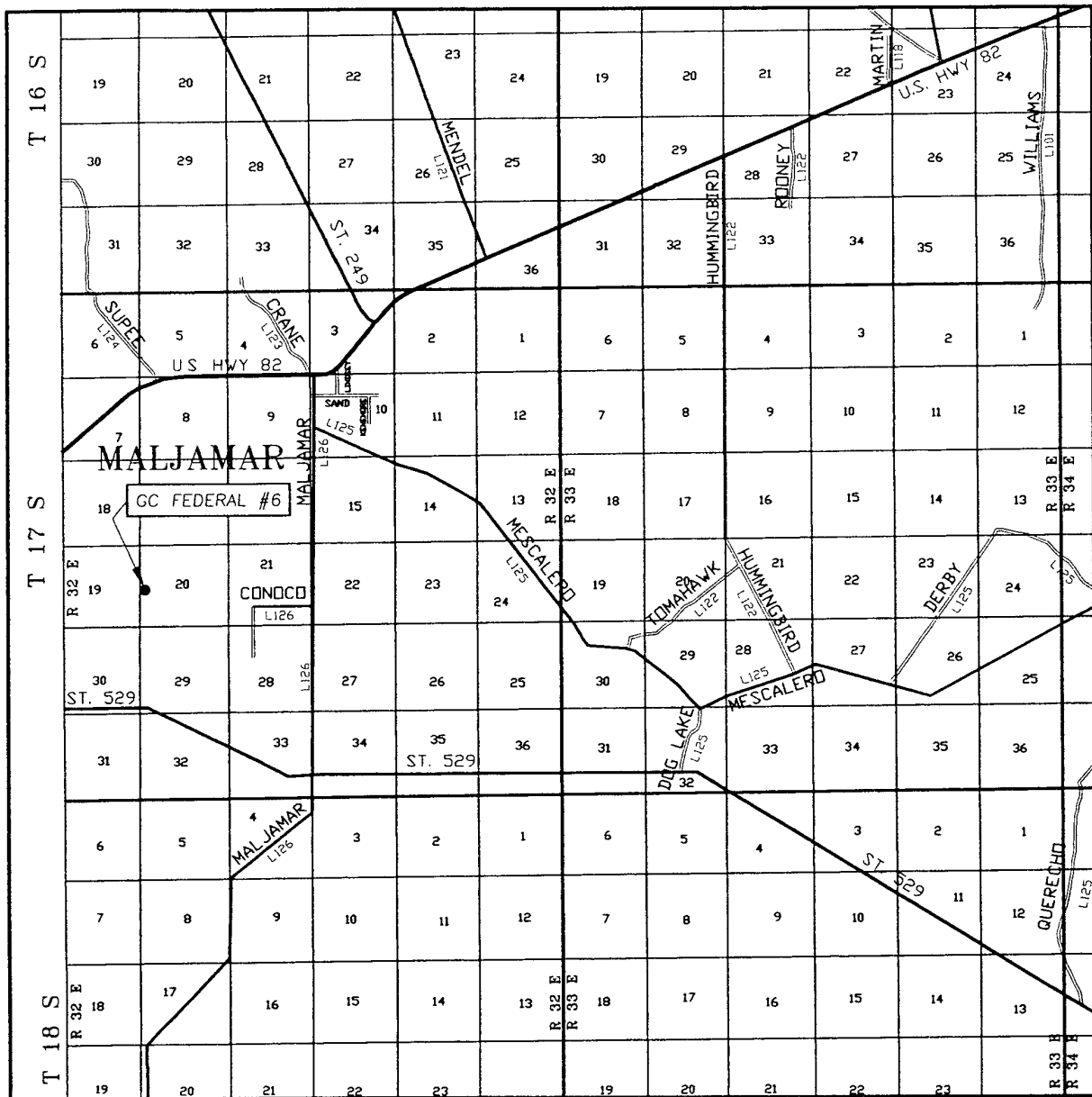


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GC FEDERAL #6 WELL
LOCATED 2310 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE
AND 330 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 20,
TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Survey Date. 05/29/07	Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets
W.O. Number: 07.11.0668	Dr By: AR
Date. 05/30/07	Scale: 1"=100'

VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

SEC. 20 TWP. 17-S RGE. 32-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

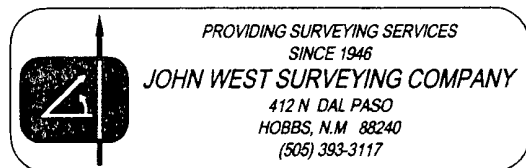
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OPERATOR COG OPERATING, LLC

LEASE GC FEDERAL



Attached to Form 3160-3
COG Operating LLC
GC Federal #6
2310 FSL & 330 FWL
NW/4 SW/4, Sec 20 T17S R32E
Lea County, NM

DRILLING PROGRAM

1. Geologic Name of Surface Formation

Quaternary

2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Quaternary	Surface
Top of Salt	800'
Base of Salt	1800'
Yates	2080'
Queen	3010'
San Andres	3800'
Glorietta	5250'

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

Water Sand	150'	Fresh Water
Grayburg	3500'	Oil/Gas
San Andres	3800'	Oil/Gas
Paddock	5330'	Oil/Gas

No other formations are expected to give up oil, gas or fresh water in measurable quantities. Setting 13 3/8" casing to 650' and circulating cement back to surface will protect the surface fresh water sand. Salt Section will be protected by setting 8 5/8" casing to 2125' and circulating cement back to surface. Any shallower zones above TD, which contain commercial quantities of oil and/or gas, will have cement circulated across them by cementing 5 1/2" production casing, a sufficient amount to circulate to surface.

4. Casing Program:

Hole Size	Interval	OD Casing	Wt, Grade, Jt, Cond., burst/collapse/tension
17 1/2"	0-650'	13 3/8"	48#, H-40, ST&C, New, 6.03/2.578/10.32
12 1/4"	0-2125'	8 5/8"	32#, J-55, ST&C, New, 1.85/1.241/4.78
7 7/8"	0-7000'	5 1/2"	17#, J-55, LT&C, New, 1.59/1.463/2.05

5. Cement Program:

13 3/8" Surface Casing: Class C, 750sx, yield 1.32.

8 5/8 Intermediate Casing: Class C, 850sx, yield 1.32.

5 1/2" Production Casing: Class C, 1400sx, yield 1.32.

6. Minimum Specifications for Pressure Control:

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #9 will consist of a double ram-type (The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #9 will consist of a double ram-type (2000 psi WP) preventer. 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 bottom. The BOP will be nipped up on the 13 3/8" surface casing and tested to 2000# by a 3rd party. The BOP will then be nipped up on the 8 5/8" intermediate casing and tested by a 3rd party to 2000 psi and used continuously until TD is reached. All BOP's and accessory equipment will be tested to 2000 psi before drilling out of intermediate casing. 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 and choke lines and choke manifold (Exhibit #11) with 2000 psi WP rating. clude a Kelly cock and floor safety valve and choke lines and choke manifold (Exhibit #11) with 2000 psi WP rating.

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:

DEPTH	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATER LOSS
0-650'	Fresh Water	8.5	28	N.C.
650-2125'	Brine	10	30	N.C.
2125'-TD	Cut Brine	9.1	29	N.C.

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

8. Auxiliary Well Control and Monitoring Equipment:

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

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GC Federal #6
2310 FSL & 330 FWL
NW/4 SW/4, Sec 20 T17S R32E
Lea County, NM

- 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:

- A. The electric logging program will consist of GR-Dual Laterolog, Spectral Density, Dual Spaced Neutron, CSNG Log and will be ran from T.D. to 8 5/8 casing shoe.
- B. Drill Stem test is not anticipated.
- C. No conventional coring is anticipated.
- D. Further testing procedures will be determined after the 5 1/2" production casing has been cemented at TD based on drill shows and log evaluation.

10. Abnormal Conditions, Pressures, Temperatures and Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. The estimated bottom hole at TD is 110 degrees and estimated maximum bottom hole pressure is 2300 psig. Low levels of Hydrogen sulfide have been monitors in producing wells in the area, so H2S may be present while drilling of the well a plan is attached to the Drilling 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. The anticipated spud date is July 19, 2007. Once commenced, the drilling operation should be finished in approximately 15 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.

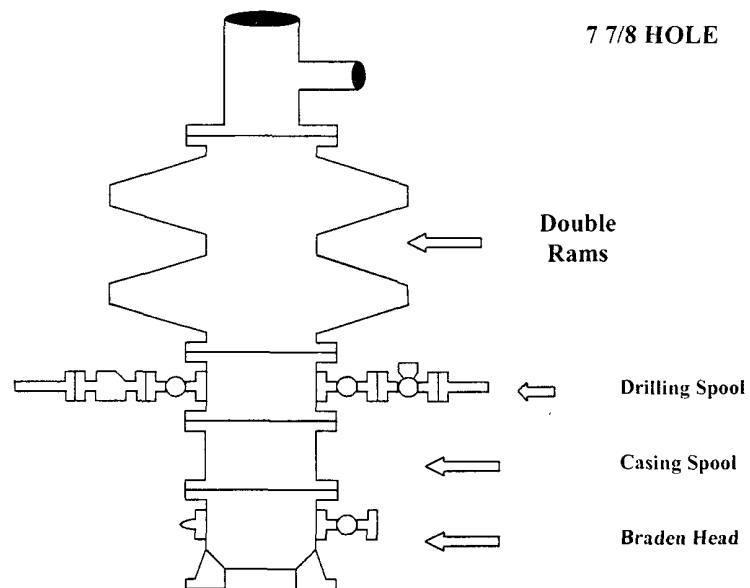
Attachment to Exhibit #9
NOTES REGARDING THE BLOWOUT PREVENTERS
GC Federal #6
Lea County, New Mexico

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.

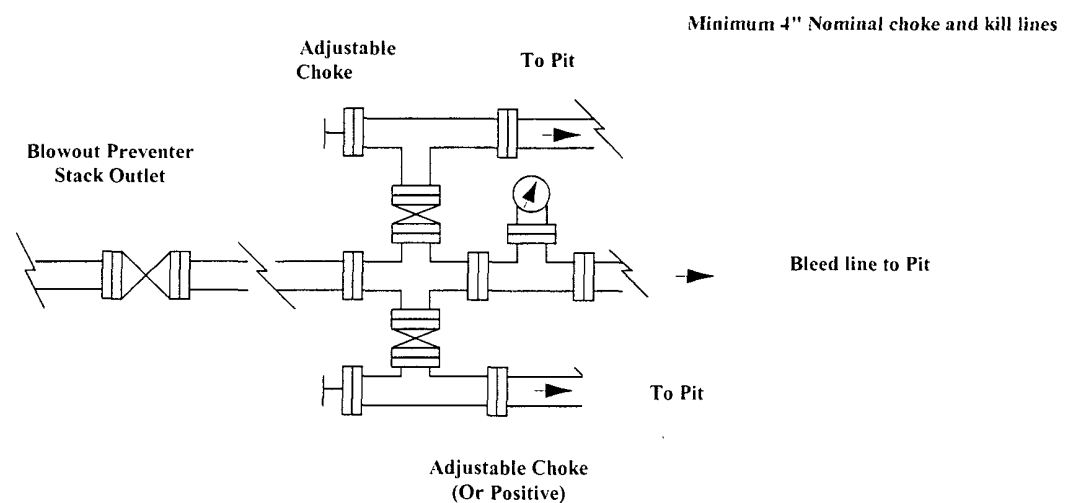
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Exhibit #9

BOPE Schematic



Choke Manifold Requirement (2000 psi WP) No Annular Required



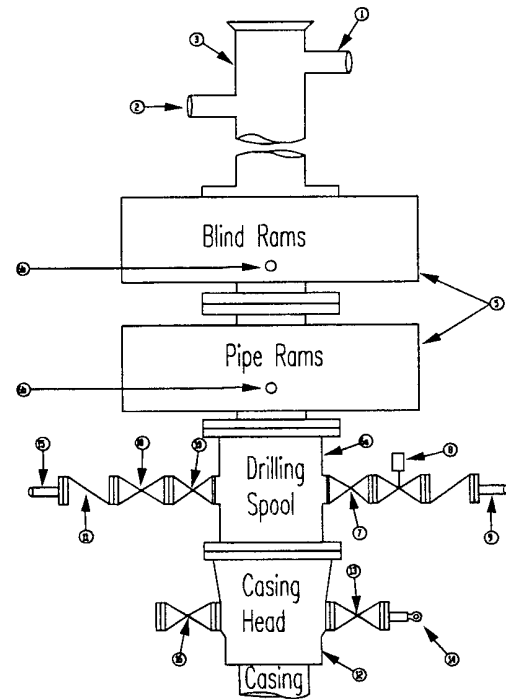
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Minimum Blowout Preventer Requirements
2000 psi Working Pressure
2 MWP
EXHIBIT #10

Stack Requirements

NO	Items	Min. I.D.	Min. Nominal
1	Flow line		2"
2	Fill up line		2"
3	Drilling nipple		
4	Annular preventer		
5	Two single or one dual hydraulically operated rams		
6a	Drilling spool with 2" min kill line and 3" min choke line outlets		2" Choke
6b	2" min kill line and 3" min choke line outlets in ram. (Alternate to 6a above)		
7	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8	
8	Gate valve-power operated	3 1/8	
9	Line to choke manifold		3"
10	Valve Gate Plug	2 1/16	
11	Check valve	2 1/16	
12	Casing head		
13	Valve Gate Plug	1 13/16	
14	Pressure gauge with needle valve		
15	Kill line to rig mud pump manifold		2"

OPTIONAL

16	Flanged Valve	1 13/16	
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CONTRACTOR'S OPTION TO FURNISH

- 1 All equipment and connections above Braden head or casing head. Working pressure of preventers to be 2000-psi minimum.
- 2 Automatic accumulator (80 gallon, minimum) capable of closing BOP in 30 seconds or less and, holding them closed against full rated working pressure
3. BOP controls, to be located near drillers' position
4. Kelly equipped with Kelly cock.
- 5 Inside blowout preventer or its equivalent on derrick floor at all times with proper threads to fit pipe being used.
6. Kelly saver-sub equipped with rubber casing protector at all times.
- 7 Plug type blowout preventer tester.
- 8 Extra set pipe rams to fit drill pipe in use on location at all times
- 9 Type RX ring gaskets in place of Type R.

COG TO FURNISH:

1. Braden head or casing head and side valves
2. Wear bushing If required.

GENERAL NOTES.

- 1 Deviations from this drawing may be made only with the express permission of COG's Drilling Manager.
- 2 All connections, valves, fittings, piping, etc , subject to well or pump pressure must be flanged (suitable clamp connections acceptable) and have minimum working pressure equal to rated working pressure of preventers up through choke valves must be full opening and suitable for high pressure mud service
- 3 Controls to be of standard design and each marked, showing opening and closing position
- 4 Chokes will be positioned so as not to hamper or delay changing of choke beans. Replaceable parts for adjustable choke, or bean

sizes, retainers, and choke wrenches to be conveniently located for immediate use.

5. All valves to be equipped with hand-wheels or handles ready for immediate use.
6. Choke lines must be suitably anchored.
- 7 Hand wheels and extensions to be connected and ready for use.
- 8 Valves adjacent to drilling spool to be kept open. Use outside valves except for emergency.
- 9 All seamless steel control piping (2000 psi working pressure) to have flexible joints to avoid stress. Hoses will be permitted.
- 10 Casing head connections shall not be used except in case of emergency
11. Do not use kill line for routine fill up operations.

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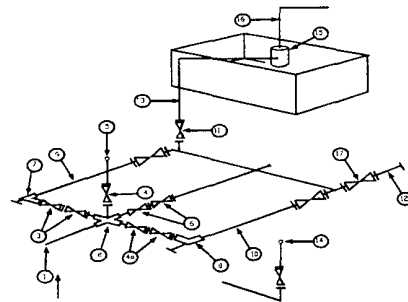
Exhibit #11

MINIMUM CHOKE MANIFOLD

3,000, 5,000, and 10,000-PSI Working Pressure

2 M will be used or greater

3 MWP - 5 MWP - 10 MWP



Mud Pit

Reserve Pit

* Location of separator optional

Below Substructure

Minimum requirements

No.		3,000 MWP			5,000 MWP			10,000 MWP		
		I.D.	NOMINAL	Rating	I.D.	Nominal	Rating	I.D.	Nominal	Rating
1	Line from drilling Spool		3"	3,000		3"	5,000		3"	10,000
2	Cross 3" x 3" x 3" x 2"			3,000			5,000			
2	Cross 3" x 3" x 3" x 2"									10,000
3	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
4	Valve Gate Plug	1 13/16		3,000	1 13/16		5,000	1 13/16		10,000
4a	Valves (1)	2 1/16		3,000	2 1/16		5,000	2 1/16		10,000
5	Pressure Gauge			3,000			5,000			10,000
6	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
7	Adjustable Choke (3)	2"		3,000	2"		5,000	2"		10,000
8	Adjustable Choke	1"		3,000	1"		5,000	2"		10,000
9	Line		3"	3,000		3"	5,000		3"	10,000
10	Line		2"	3,000		2"	5,000		2"	10,000
11	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
12	Line		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
13	Line		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
14	Remote reading compound Standpipe pressure quage			3,000			5,000			10,000
15	Gas Separator		2' x 5'			2' x 5'			2' x 5'	
16	Line		4"	1,000		4"	1,000		4"	2,000
17	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000

- (1) Only one required in Class 3M
- (2) Gate valves only shall be used for Class 10 M
- (3) Remote operated hydraulic choke required on 5,000 psi and 10,000 psi for drilling.

EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

1. All connections in choke manifold shall be welded, studded, flanged or Cameron clamp of comparable rating.
2. All flanges shall be API 6B or 6BX and ring gaskets shall be API RX or BX. Use only BX for 10 MWP
3. All lines shall be securely anchored.
4. Chokes shall be equipped with tungsten carbide seats and needles, and replacements shall be available.
5. Choke manifold pressure and standpipe pressure gauges shall be available at the choke manifold to assist in regulating chokes
As an alternate with automatic chokes, a choke manifold pressure gauge shall be located on the rig floor in conjunction with the standpipe pressure gauge.
6. Line from drilling spool to choke manifold should be as straight as possible. Lines downstream from chokes shall make turns by large bends or 90 degree bends using bull plugged tees.

COG Operating LLC

Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan

I. HYDROGEN SULFIDE TRAINING

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on this well:

1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H₂S)
2. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
3. The proper use of H₂S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures, and prevailing winds.
4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

1. The effects of H₂S on metal components. If high tensile tubular are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
3. The contents and requirements of the H₂S Drilling Operations Plan and Public Protection Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H₂S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H₂S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H₂S Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan. The concentrations of H₂S of wells in this area from surface to TD are low enough that a contingency plan is not required.

II. H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

Note: All H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested, and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonable expected to contain H2S.

1. Well Control Equipment:

- A. Flare line.
- B. Choke manifold.
- C. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit.
- D. Auxiliary equipment may include if applicable: annular preventer & rotating head.

2. Protective equipment for essential personnel:

- A. Mark II Survive air 30-minute units located in the doghouse and at briefing areas, as indicated on well site diagram.

3. H2S detection and monitoring equipment:

- A. 1 portable H2S monitors positioned on location for best coverage and response. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 20 PPM are reached.

4. Visual warning systems:

- A. Wind direction indicators as shown on well site diagram (Exhibit #8).
- B. Caution/Danger signs (Exhibit #7) shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted a high visibility yellow with black lettering of sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used, when appropriate. See example attached.

5. Mud program:

- A. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H2S circulated to surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices, and the use of H2S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H2S bearing zones.

6. Metallurgy:

- A. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H₂S service.
- B. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H₂S trim.

7. Communication:

- A. Radio communications in company vehicles including cellular telephone and 2-way radio.
- B. Land line (telephone) communication at Office.

8. Well testing:

- A. Drill stem testing will be performed with a minimum number of personnel in the immediate vicinity, which are necessary to safely and adequately conduct the test. The drill stem testing will be conducted during daylight hours and formation fluids will not be flowed to the surface. All drill-stem-testing operations conducted in an H₂S environment will use the closed chamber method of testing.
- B. There will be no drill stem testing.

EXHIBIT #7

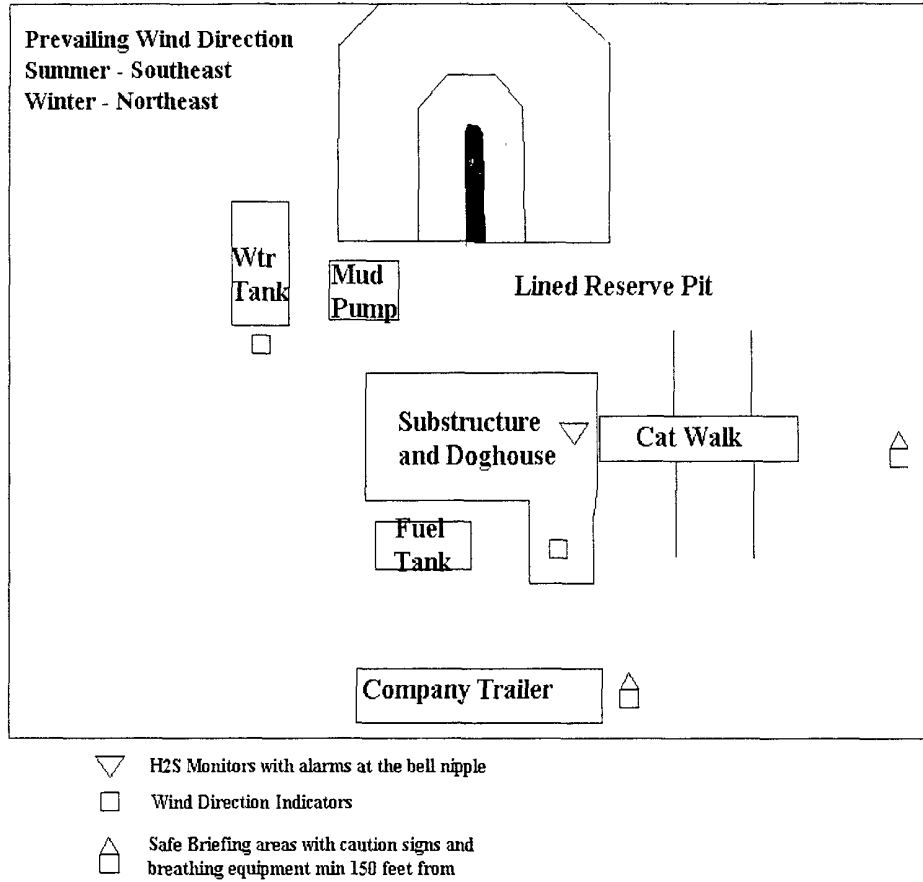
WARNING
YOU ARE ENTERING AN H₂S
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY

- 1. BEARDS OR CONTACT LENSES NOT ALLOWED**
- 2. HARD HATS REQUIRED**
- 3. SMOKING IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY**
- 4. BE WIND CONSCIOUS AT ALL TIMES**
- 5. CHECK WITH MACK ENERGY FOREMAN AT OFFICE**

MACK ENERGY CORPORATION

1-505-748-1288

DRILLING LOCATION H2S SAFTY EQUIPMENT
Exhibit # 8



- A. The well site and elevation plat for the proposed well is shown in Exhibit #1. John West Engineering, Hobbs, NM, staked the well.
- B. All roads to the location are shown in Exhibit below. The existing lease roads are illustrated in Blue and are adequate for travel during drilling and production operations. Upgrading existing roads prior to drilling well will be done where necessary.
- C. Directions to Location: From intersection of Hwy 529 and L-126 go north 1.9 miles, turn west 1.6 miles, turn north .4 mile, west .3 mile, this location is 350' south.
- D. Routine grading and maintenance of existing roads will be conducted as necessary to maintain their condition as long as any operations continue on this lease.

An aerial photograph showing a road intersection. A horizontal road is labeled '188' OF PROPOSED ROAD' with a line pointing to it. A vertical road is labeled 'GC FEDERAL #6' with a line pointing to it. The intersection is marked with a black dot. The background is a grainy aerial view of a landscape with some vegetation and structures.

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2. Proposed Access Road:

Exhibit #3 shows 188' of new access road to be constructed. The road will be constructed as follows:

- A. The Maximum width of the running surface will be 14'. The road will be crowned and ditched and constructed of 6" rolled and compacted caliche. Ditches will be at 3:1 slope and 4 feet wide. Water will be diverted where necessary to avoid ponding, prevent erosion, maintain good drainage, and to be consistent with local drainage patterns.
- B. The average grade will be less than 1%.
- C. No turnouts are planned.
- D. No culverts, cattleguard, gates, low water crossings or fence cuts are necessary.
- E. Surfacing material will consist of native caliche. Caliche will be obtained from the nearest BLM approved caliche pit or reserve pit area.
- F. The proposed access road as shown in Exhibit #3 has been centerline flagged by John West Engineering, Hobbs, New Mexico.

3. Location of Existing Wells & Proposed flow lines for New Wells:

Exhibit #4 shows all existing wells within a one-mile radius of this well. As shown on this plat there are numerous wells producing from the Paddock formations. Proposed flow lines, will follow an archaeologically approved route to the Tank Battery.

4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Facilities:

- A. COG Operating LLC does operate a production facility on this lease.
- B. If the well is productive, contemplated facilities will be as follows:
 - 1) Paddock Completion: Will be sent to the BC Federal Tank Battery. The Facility is shown in Exhibit #5.
 - 2) The tank battery and facilities including all flow lines and piping will be installed according to API specifications.
 - 3) Any additional caliche will be obtained from a BLM approved caliche pit. Any additional construction materials will be purchased from contractors.

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- 4) It will be necessary to run electric power if this well is productive. Power will be run by CVE and they will send in a separate plan for power.

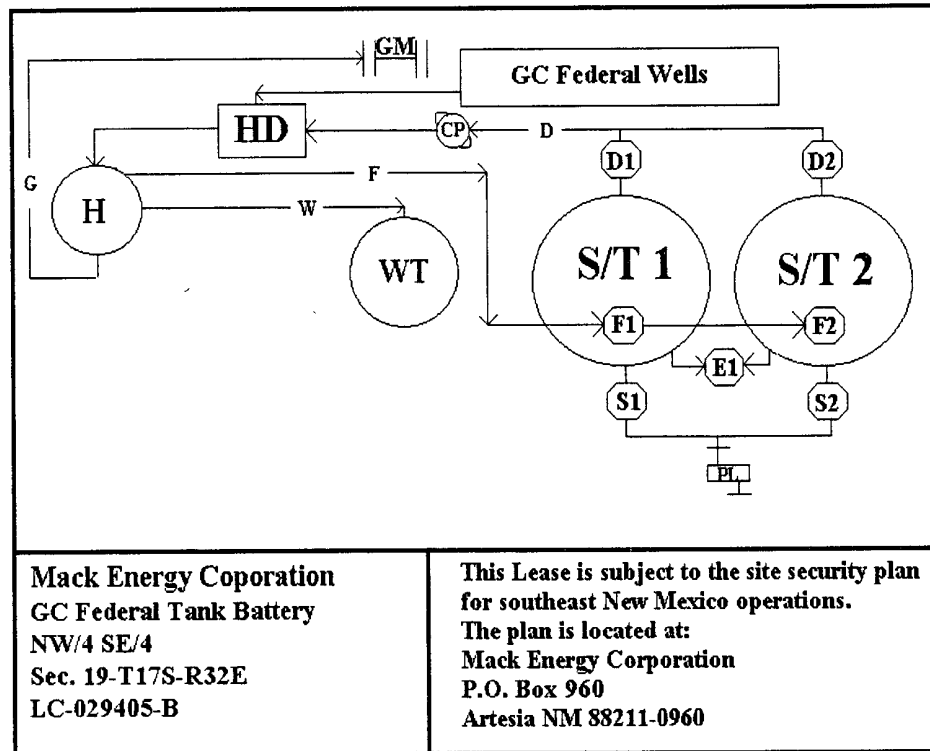


Exhibit #5

- A. If the well is productive, rehabilitation plans are as follows:
- 1) The reserve pit will be back filled after the contents of the pit are dry (within 120 days after the well is completed).
 - 2) Topsoil removed from the drill site will be used to recontour the pit area to the original natural level, as nearly as possible, and reseeded as per BLM specifications.

5. Location and Type of Water Supply:

The well will be drilled with combination brine and fresh water mud system as outlined in the drilling program. The water will be obtained from commercial water stations in the area and hauled to location by transport truck over the existing and proposed access roads shown in Exhibit #4. If a commercial fresh water source is nearby, fasline may be laid along existing road ROW's and fresh water pumped to the well. No water well will be drilled on the location.

6. Source of Construction Materials:

All caliche required for construction of the drill pad and proposed new access road (approximately 2500 cubic yards) will be obtained from a BLM approved caliche pit or the reserve pit.

7. Methods of Handling Water Disposal:

- A. Drill cuttings not retained for evaluation purposes will be disposed into the reserve pit.
- B. Drilling fluids will be contained in a lined working pit. The reserve pit will contain any excess drilling fluid or flow from the well during drilling, cementing and completion operations. The reserve pit will be an earthen pit, approximately 125' X 125' X 10' deep with a dividing wall dividing it into two horseshoe style pits and fenced on three sides prior to drilling. It will be fenced on the fourth side immediately following rig removal. The reserve pit will be lined 125' X 125' X 10'. The reserve pit will be lined (12-mil thickness) to minimize loss of drilling fluids and saturation of the ground with brine water.
- C. Water produced from the well during completion may be disposed into the reserve pit or a steel tank (depending on the rates). After the well is permanently placed on production, produced water will be collected in tanks (fiberglass) until pumped to an approved disposal system; produced oil will be collected in steel tanks until sold.
- D. Garbage and trash produced during drilling or completion operations will be collected in a trash bin and hauled to an approved landfill. All water and fluids will be disposed of into the reserve pit. Salts and other chemicals produced during drilling or testing will be disposed into the reserve pit. No toxic waste or hazardous chemicals will be produced by this operation.
- E. After the rig is moved out and the well is either completed or abandoned, all waste materials will be cleaned up within 30 days. The reserve pit will be completely fenced and kept closed until it has dried. When the reserve pit is dry enough to breakout and backfill and reseeded as per BLM specifications as weather permits. In the event of a dry hole only a dry hole marker will remain.

8. Ancillary Facilities:

No airstrip, campsite or other facilities will be built as a result of the operation on this well.

9. Well Site Layout:

- A. The drill pad layout, with elevations staked by John West Engineering, is shown in Exhibit #6. Dimensions of the pad and pits are shown. Topsoil, if available, will be stockpiled per BLM specifications. Because the pad is almost level no major cuts will be required.
- B. Diagram below shows the proposed orientation of reserve pit, working pit. There is a possibility that the pits will be moved around depending on Caliche in the area. No permanent living facilities are planned, but a temporary foreman/toolpusher's trailer will be on location during the drilling operations.
- C. The reserve pit will be lined with high quality plastic sheeting (12-mil thickness).

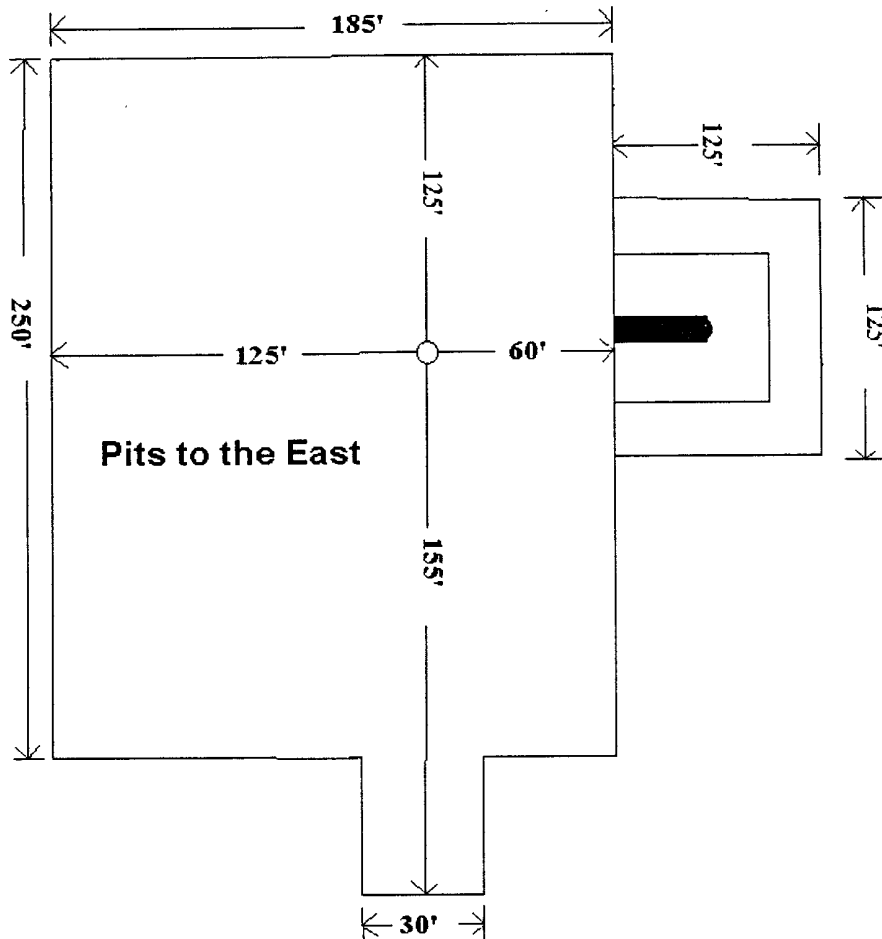


Exhibit #6

10. Plans for Restoration of the Surface:

- A. Upon completion of the proposed operations, the pit area, after allowing drying, will be broken out and leveled. The original topsoil will be returned to the pit area, which will be leveled and contoured to as nearly the original topography as possible.
- B. The disturbed area will be revegetated by reseeding during the proper growing season with a seed mixture of native grasses as recommended by the BLM.
- C. Three sides of the reserve pit will be fenced prior to and during drilling operations. At the time that the rig is removed, the reserve pit will be fenced on the rig (fourth) side to prevent livestock from being entrapped. The fencing will remain in place until the pit area is cleaned up and leveled. No oil will be left on the surface of the fluid in the pit.
- D. Upon completion of proposed operations, if the well is completed, the reserve pit area will be treated as outlined above within the same prescribed time. Any additional caliche required for facilities will be obtained from a BLM approved caliche pit. Topsoil removed from the drill site will be used to recontour the pit area to its original natural level and reseeded as per BLM specifications.

11. Surface Ownership:

The well site and lease is located entirely on Federal surface. We have notified the surface lessee of the impending operations. According to BLM the leasee is Caswell Ranches, 1702 Gillham Dr. Brownsfield, TX 79316.

12. Other Information:

- A. The area around the well site is grassland and the topsoil is sandy. The vegetation is native scrub grass with sagebrush.
- B. There is no permanent or live water in the immediate area.
- C. A Cultural Resources Examination has been requested and will be forwarded to your office in the near future.

13. Lessee's and Operator's Representative:

The COG Operating LLC representative responsible for assuring compliance with the surface use plan is as follows:

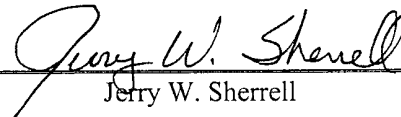
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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or person 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 the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by COG Operating LLC and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

Date: 6-25-2007

Signed: 
Jerry W. Sherrell

SPECIAL DRILLING STIPULATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DATA IS REQUIRED ON THE WELL SIGN

Operator's Name: COG Operating, LLC Well Name & #: GC Federal No.6
Location 2310 F S L & 330 F WL; Sec. 20, T. 17 S., R. 32 E.
Lease #: LC-029405B County: Lea State: New Mexico

The Special stipulations check marked below are applicable to the above described well and approval of this application to drill is conditioned upon compliance with such stipulations in addition to the General Requirements. The permittee should be familiar with the General Requirements, a copy of which is available from a Bureau of Land Management office. EACH PERMITTEE HAS THE RIGHT OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL TO THESE STIPULATIONS PURSUANT TO TITLE 43 CFR 3165.3 AND 3165.4.

This permit is valid for a period of one year from the date of approval or until lease expiration or termination whichever is shorter.

I. SPECIAL ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

- (X) Lesser Prairie Chicken (stips attached) () Flood plain (stips attached)
() San Simon Swale (stips attached) () Other

II. ON LEASE - SURFACE REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO DRILLING

(X) The BLM will monitor construction of this drill site. Notify the (X) Carlsbad Field Office at (505) 234-5972 () Hobbs Office (505) 393-3612, at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction

(X) Roads and the drill pad for this well must be surfaced with 6 inches of compacted caliche upon completion of well and it is determined to be a producer.

() All topsoil and vegetation encountered during the construction of the drill site area will be stockpiled and made available for resurfacing of the disturbed area after completion of the drilling operation. Topsoil on the subject location is approximately _____ inches in depth. Approximately _____ cubic yards of topsoil material will be stockpiled for reclamation.

(X) Other. **Reserve Pits will be to the East and v-door will be to the South**

III. WELL COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

() A Communitization Agreement covering the acreage dedicated to the well must be filed for approval with the BLM. The effective date of the agreement must be prior to any sales.

(x) Surface Restoration: If the well is a producer, the reserve pit(s) will be backfilled when dry, and cut-and-fill slopes will be reduced to a slope of 3:1 or less. All areas of the pad not necessary for production must be re-contoured to resemble the original contours of the surrounding terrain, and topsoil must be re-distributed and re-seeded with a drill equipped with a depth indicator (set at depth of ½ inch) with the following seed mixture, in pounds of Pure Live Seed (PLS), per acre. If broadcasting, the seeding rate must be doubled.

() A. Seed Mixture 1 (Loamy Sites)

Side Oats Grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*) 5.0
Sand Dropseed (*Sporobolus cryptandrus*) 1.0
Plains lovegrass (*Eragrostis intermedia*) 0.5

(X) B. Seed Mixture 2 (Sandy Sites)

Sand Dropseed (*Sporobolus crptandrus*) 1.0
Sand Lovegrass (*Eragrostis trichodes*) 1.0
Plains Bristlegrass (*Setaria magrostachya*) 2.0

() C. Seed Mixture 3 (Shallow Sites)

Side oats Grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*) 5.0
Green Spangletop (*Leptochloa dubia*) 2.0
Plains Bristlegrass (*Setaria magrostachya*) 1.0

() D. Seed Mixture 4 (Gypsum Sites)

Alkali Sacaton (*Sporobolus airoides*) 1.0
Four-Wing Saltbush (*Atriplex canescens*) 5.0

() OTHER SEE ATTACHED SEED MIXTURE

Seeding should be done either late in the fall (September 15 - November 15, before freeze up, or early as possible the following spring to take advantage of available ground moisture.

Painting Requirement:

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color, shale green, Munsell Soil Color Chart Number 5Y 4/2.

RESERVE PIT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The reserve pit shall be constructed entirely in cut material and lined with 6-mil plastic.

Mineral material extracted from within the boundary of the APD during construction of the well pad and reserve pits and be used for the construction of this well pad and its immediate access road only, as long as that portion of the access road it is use on remains on-lease. Removal of any additional material from this location for construction or improvement of other well pads and other access or lease roads must first be purchased from BLM.

Reclamation: Reclamation of this type of deep pit will consist of pushing the pit walls into the pit when sufficiently dry to support track equipment. The pit liner is NOT TO BE RUPTURED to facilitate drying; a ten month period after completion of the well is allowed for drying of the pit contents.

The pit area must be contoured to the natural terrain with all contaminated drilling mud buried with at least 3 feet of clean soil. The reclaimed area will then be seeded as specified in this permit.

OPTIONAL PIT CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The reserve pit may be constructed in predominantly fill material if:

(1) Lined as specified above and

(2) A temporary or emergency pit may be constructed immediately adjacent to the reserve pit as long as the pit remains within the APD boundary. Mineral material removed from this pit may be used for the construction of this well pad only and its immediate access road, as long as that portion of the access road the material is used on remains on-lease. Removal of any material from the APD boundary for use on other well locations or roads must first be purchased from BLM.

Reclamation of the reserve pit consists of bulldozing all reserve pit contents and contaminants into the borrow pit and covering with a minimum of 3 feet of clean soil material. The entire area must be re-contoured, all trash removed, and reseeded as specified in this permit.

CULTURAL

Whether or not an archaeological survey has been completed and notwithstanding that operations are being conducted as approved, the lessee/operator/grantee shall notify the BLM immediately if previously unidentified cultural resources are observed during surface disturbing operations. From the time of the observation, the lessee/operator/grantee shall avoid operations that will result in disturbance to these cultural resources until directed to proceed by the BLM.

TRASH PIT STIPS

All trash, junk, and other waste material shall be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not permitted.

PRAIRIE CHICKENS

No surface use is allowed during the following time periods; unless otherwise specified, this stipulation does not apply to operation and maintenance of production facilities.

On the lands described below:

All of Section 20, T.17S., R32E

For the purpose of: Protecting Prairie Chickens:

Drilling for oil and gas, and 3-D geophysical exploration operations will not be allowed in Lesser Prairie Chicken Habitat during the period of March 15 through June 15, each year. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, geophysical exploration other than 3-D operations, and pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. The 3:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during the period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 feet from the source of the noise.

VII. DRILLING

A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

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call the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240,
(505) 393-3612

1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the **Grayburg** formation. **Hydrogen Sulfide has been reported through out the township measuring 100-1400 ppm in the gas stream.**
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.

B. CASING

1. The **13-3/8** inch surface casing shall be set **a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite at approximately 650 feet** and cemented to the surface.
 - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement.
 - b. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater. (This is to include the lead cement).
 - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
 - d. If cement falls back, remedial action will be done prior to drilling out that string.

Possible lost circulation in the Grayburg and San Andres formations.

Possible water and brine flows in the Salado and Artesia Group.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:

☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a-d above.

This casing is to be set at 2125' below the salt in the Tansill formation.

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:

☒ Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.

2. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.

- a. The tests shall be done by an independent service company.
- b. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- c. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.
- d. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

Engineer on call phone (after hours): Carlsbad: (505) 706-2779

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BLM Serial #: **LC-029405B**
Company Reference: **COG Operating, LLC**
Well # & Name: **GC Federal No.6**

STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR PERMANENT RESOURCE ROADS
CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE

A copy of the APD and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.

The holder/grantee/permittee shall hereafter be identified as the holder in these stipulations. The Authorized Officer is the person who approves the Application for Permit to Drill (APD) and/or Right-of-Way (ROW).

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

A. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.

B. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, as amended (15 U.S.C. 2601, *et. seq.*) with regard to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized by this grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, Section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the Authorized Officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.

C. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, *et. seq.* or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, *et. seq.*) on the right-of-way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to the right-of-way holder's activity on the right-of-way). This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

D. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the road, any oil or other pollutant should be discharged, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all

damages to Federal lands resulting there from the Authorized Officer may take such measures as deemed necessary to control and cleanup the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any liability or responsibility.

E. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public domain surface. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times.

The holder will make a documented good-faith effort to contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence.

F. The Holder shall ensure that the entire right-of-way, including the driving surface, ditching and drainage control structures, road verges and any construction sites or zones, will be kept free of the following plant species: Malta starthistle, African rue, Scotch thistle and salt cedar. The Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations:

1. ROAD WIDTH AND GRADE

The road will have a driving surface of 14 feet (all roads shall have a minimum driving surface of 12 feet, unless local conditions dictate a different width). The maximum grade is 10 percent unless the box below is checked. Maximum width of surface disturbance from construction will be 30 feet.

☒ Those segments of road where grade is in excess of 10% for more than 300 feet shall be designed by a professional engineer.

2. CROWNING AND DITCHING

Crowning with materials on site and ditching on one side of the road on the uphill side will be required. The road cross-section will conform to the cross section diagrams in Figure 1. If conditions dictate, ditching may be required for both sides of the road; if local conditions permit, a flat-bladed road may be considered (if these conditions exist, check the appropriate box below). The crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., 1" crown on a 12' wide road).

☒ Ditching will be required on both sides of the roadway as shown on the attached map or as staked in the field.

3. DRAINAGE

Drainage control shall be ensured over the entire road through the use of borrow ditches, out-sloping, in-sloping, natural rolling topography, lead-off (turnout) ditches, culverts, and/or drainage dips.

A. All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval for lead-off ditches shall be determined according to the following table, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %):

SPACING INTERVAL FOR TURNOUT DITCHES

Percent slope	Spacing interval
0% - 4%	400' - 150'
4% - 6%	250' - 125'
6% - 8%	200' - 100'
8% - 10%	150' - 75'

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm will be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch. The ditch end will tie into vegetation whenever possible.

For this road the spacing interval for lead-off ditches shall be at

☒ 400 foot intervals.

B. Culvert pipes shall be used for cross drains where drainage dips or low water crossings are not feasible. The minimum culvert diameter must be 18 inches. Any culvert pipe installed shall be of sufficient diameter to pass the anticipated flow of water. Culvert location and required diameter are shown on the attached map (Further details can be obtained from the Roswell District Office or the appropriate Resource Area Office).

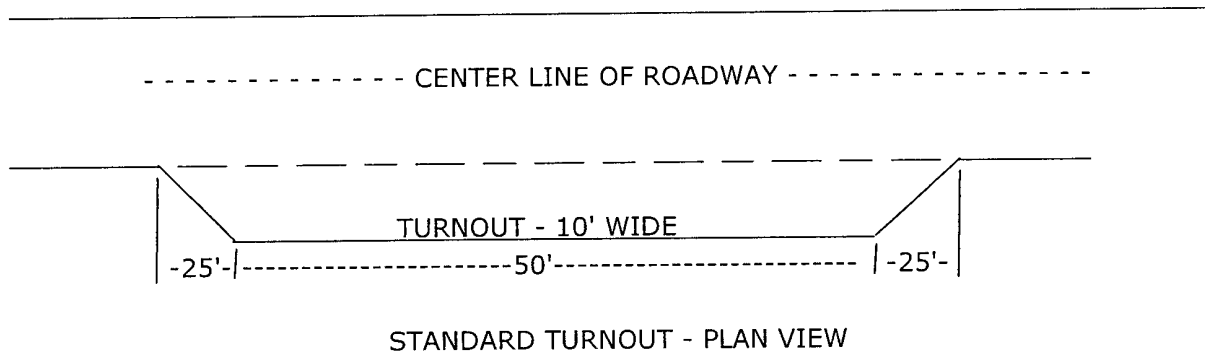
C. On road slopes exceeding 2%, drainage dips shall drain water into an adjacent lead-off ditch. Drainage dip location and spacing shall be determined by the formula:

$$\text{spacing interval} = \frac{400'}{\text{road slope in \%}} + 100'$$

$$\text{Example: 4\% slope: spacing interval} = \frac{400}{4} + 100 = 200 \text{ feet}$$

4. TURNOUTS

Unless otherwise approved by the Authorized Officer, vehicle turnouts will be required. Turnouts will be located at 2000-foot intervals, or the turnouts will be intervisible, whichever is less. Turnouts will conform to the following diagram:



5. SURFACING

Surfacing of the road or those portions identified on the attached map may, at the direction of the Authorized Officer, be required, if necessary, to maintain traffic within the right-of-way with caliche, gravel, or other surfacing material which shall be approved by the Authorized Officer. When surfacing is required, surfacing materials will be compacted to a minimum thickness of six inches with caliche material. The width of surfacing shall be no less than the driving surface. Prior to using any mineral materials from an existing or proposed Federal source, authorization must be obtained from the Authorized Officer.

A sales contract for the removal of mineral materials (caliche, sand, gravel, fill dirt, etc.) from an authorized pit, site, or on location must be obtained from the BLM prior to using any such mineral material from public lands. Contact the BLM solid minerals staff for the various options to purchase mineral material.

6. CATTLEGUARDS

Where used, all cattleguard grids and foundation designs and construction shall meet the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Load Rating H-20, although AASHTO U-80 rated grids shall be required where heavy loads (exceeding H-20 loading), are anticipated (See BLM standard drawings for cattleguards). Cattleguard grid length shall not be less than 8 feet and width of not less than 14 feet. A wire gate (16-foot minimum width) will be provided on one side of the cattleguard unless requested otherwise by the surface user.

7. MAINTENANCE

The holder shall maintain the road in a safe, usable condition. A maintenance program shall include, but not be limited to blading, ditching, culvert installation, culvert cleaning, drainage installation, cattleguard maintenance, and surfacing.

8. PUBLIC ACCESS

Public access along this road will not be restricted by the holder without specific written approval being granted by the Authorized Officer. Gates or cattleguards on public lands will not be locked or closed to public use unless closure is specifically determined to be necessary and is authorized in writing by the Authorized Officer.

9. CULTURAL RESOURCES

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on the holder's behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. The holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the authorized officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate actions to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to the proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

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Company Reference: **COG Operating, LLC**
Well # & Name: **GC Federal No.6**

STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES

A copy of the APD and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.
2. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.
3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to activity of the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.
4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The holder shall be held to a standard of strict liability for damage or injury to the United States resulting from pipe rupture, fire, or spills caused or substantially aggravated by any of the following within the right-of-way or permit area:
 - a. Activities of the holder including, but not limited to construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the facility.
 - b. Activities of other parties including, but not limited to:

- (1) Land clearing.
- (2) Earth-disturbing and earth-moving work.
- (3) Blasting.
- (4) Vandalism and sabotage.

c. Acts of God.

The maximum limitation for such strict liability damages shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one event, and any liability in excess of such amount shall be determined by the ordinary rules of negligence of the jurisdiction in which the damage or injury occurred.

This section shall not impose strict liability for damage or injury resulting primarily from an act of war or from the negligent acts or omissions of the United States.

5. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline, any oil, salt water, or other pollutant should be discharged from the pipeline system, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil, salt water, or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all damages resulting therefrom, on the Federal lands, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

6. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to the authorized right-of-way width of 25 feet.

7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

8. The holder shall install the pipeline on the surface in such a manner that will minimize suspension of the pipeline across low areas in the terrain. In hummocky or dune areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.

9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of 24 inches under all roads, "two-tracks," and trails. Burial of the pipe will continue for 20 feet on each side of each crossing. The condition of the road, upon completion of construction, shall be returned to at least its former state with no bumps or dips remaining in the road surface.

10. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a

fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

11. In those areas where erosion control structures are required to stabilize soil conditions, the holder will install such structures as are suitable for the specific soil conditions being encountered and which are in accordance with sound resource management practices.

12. Excluding the pipe, all above-ground structures not subject to safety requirement shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Standard Environmental Colors" – **Shale Green**, Munsell Soil Color No. 5Y 4/2; designated by the Rocky Mountain Five State Interagency Committee.

13. The pipeline will be identified by signs at the point of origin and completion of the right-of-way and at all road crossings. At a minimum, signs will state the holder's name, BLM serial number, and the product being transported. Signs will be maintained in a legible condition for the life of the pipeline.

14. The holder shall not use the pipeline route as a road for purposes other than routine maintenance as determined necessary by the Authorized Officer in consultation with the holder. The holder will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the pipeline route is not used as a roadway.

15. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the authorized officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

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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

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes ☐ No ☒

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank ☒ Closure of a pit or below-grade tank ☐

Operator: COG Operating LLC Telephone: 432-685-4340 e-mail address: pedwards@conchoresources.com		
Address: 550 W. Texas, Suite 1300 Midland, TX 79701		
Facility or well name: G C FEDERAL #6 API #: 30-025-38545 U/L or Qtr/Qtr L Sec 20 T 17S R 32E		
County: LEA Latitude _____ Longitude _____ NAD: 1927 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1983 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Surface Owner. Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/>		
Pit Type: Drilling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thickness 12 mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume 5000 bbl		
Below-grade tank Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not. _____		
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.) ~ 160'	Less than 50 feet 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more	(20 points) (10 points) (0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes No	(20 points) (0 points)
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet 1000 feet or more	(20 points) (10 points) (0 points)
Ranking Score (Total Points)		0 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) Indicate disposal location: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place) onsite ☐ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility _____. (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, show depth below ground surface _____ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

Additional Comments:

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines ☒, a general permit ☐, or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan ☐.

Date: **8-29-07**

Printed Name/Title **Phyllis Edwards, Regulatory Analyst**

Signature *Phyllis Edwards*

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval:

Printed Name/Title **CHRIS WILLIAMS / DIST. SACS**

Signature *Chris Williams*

Date: **9/11/07**