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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, DEEPEN, OR PLUG BACK

1a. TYPE OF WORK

DRILL ☒

DEEPEN ☐

PLUG BACK ☐

b. TYPE OF WELL

OIL  
WELL ☒

GAS  
WELL ☐

OTHER ☐

SINGLE  
ZONE ☒

MULTIPLE  
ZONE ☐

2. NAME OF OPERATOR

Mitchell Energy Corporation

3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR

P.O. Box 4000, The Woodlands, TX 77387-4000

4. LOCATION OF WELL (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)\*  
At surface

1980' FNL and 1905' FWL (SE/NW)

unit F

At proposed prod. zone

1980' FNL and 1905' FWL (SE/NW)

14. DISTANCE IN MILES AND DIRECTION FROM NEAREST TOWN OR POST OFFICE\*

32 miles SW of Hobbs, NM

15. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED\*

LOCATION TO NEAREST  
PROPERTY OR LEASE LINE, FT.  
(Also to nearest drlg. unit line, if any)

1905'

16. NO. OF ACRES IN LEASE

321.72

17. NO. OF ACRES ASSIGNED  
TO THIS WELL

40

18. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED LOCATION\*  
TO NEAREST WELL, DRILLING, COMPLETED,  
OR APPLIED FOR, ON THIS LEASE, FT.

75'

19. PROPOSED DEPTH

3,300

20. ROTARY OR CABLE TOOLS

Rotary

21. ELEVATIONS (Show whether DF, RT, GR, etc.)

3570

Capitan Controlled Water Basin

22. APPROX. DATE WORK WILL START\*

3-20-92

23.

PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM

Secretary's Potash R-111-P Potash

SIZE OF HOLE	SIZE OF CASING	WEIGHT PER FOOT	SETTING DEPTH	QUANTITY OF CEMENT
12 1/4"	8 5/8"	24#	500'	300 Sx Class C-circulate to surface
7 7/8"	5 1/2"	15.5#	TD	800 Sx Class C-circulate to surface

The operator proposes to drill to a depth sufficient to test the Yates formation for oil. If productive, 5-1/2" casing will be cemented at TD. If non-productive, the well will be plugged and abandoned in a manner consistent with federal regulations. Specific programs as per Onshore Oil & Gas Order #1 are outlined in the following attachments:

Drilling Program

Surface Use & Operating Plan

Exhibit #1 & 1A - Blowout Preventer Equip.

Exhibit #2 - Location & Elevation Plat

Exhibit #3 - Planned Access Roads

Exhibit #4 - One-mile Radius Map

Exhibit #5 - Production Facilities  
Layout

Exhibit #6 - Drilling Rig Layout

Exhibit #7 - Cultural Resources  
Examination

IN ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PROPOSED PROGRAM: If proposal is to deepen or plug back, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout preventer program, if any.

24.

SIGNED George Mullen George Mullen

TITLE Regulatory Affairs Specialist DATE 2/17/92

(This space for Federal or State office use)

PERMIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 3-7-92

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO  
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND  
SPECIAL STIPULATIONS

ATTACHED

\*See Instructions On Reverse Side

## INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL: This form is designed for submitting proposals to perform certain well operations, as indicated, on all types of lands and leases for appropriate action by either a Federal or a State agency, or both, pursuant to applicable Federal and or State laws and regulations. Any necessary special instructions concerning the use of this form and the number of copies to be submitted, particularly with regard to local, area, or regional procedures and practices, either are shown below or will be issued by, or may be obtained from, the local Federal and/or State office.

ITEM 1: If the proposal is to redrill to the same reservoir at a different subsurface location or to a new reservoir, use this form with appropriate notations. Consult applicable State or Federal regulations concerning subsequent work proposals or reports on the well.

ITEM 4: If there are no applicable State requirements, locations on Federal or Indian land should be described in accordance with Federal requirements. Consult local State or Federal office for specific instructions.

ITEM 14: Needed only when location of well cannot readily be found by road from the land or lease description. A plat, or plats, separate or on this reverse side, showing the roads to, and the surveyed location of, the well, and any other required information, should be furnished when required by Federal or State agency offices.

ITEMS 15 AND 18: If well is to be, or has been directionally drilled, give distances for subsurface location of hole in any present or objective production zone.

ITEM 22: Consult applicable Federal or State regulations, or appropriate officials, concerning approval of the proposal before operations are started.

## NOTICE

The Privacy Act of 1974 and the regulation in 43 CFR 2.48(d) provide that you be furnished the following information in connection with information required by this application.

AUTHORITY: 30 U.S.C. 181 et seq., 25 U.S.C. 396; 43 CFR Part 3160.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: The information is to be used to process and evaluate your application for permit to drill, deepen, or plug back an oil or gas well.

ROUTINE USES: (1) The analysis of the applicant's proposal to discover and extract the Federal or Indian resources encountered. (2) The review of procedures and equipment and the projected impact on the land involved. (3) The evaluation of the effects of proposed operation on surface and subsurface water and other environmental impacts. (4)(5) Information from the record and/or the record will be transferred to appropriate Federal, State, local or foreign agencies, when relevant to civil, criminal or regulatory investigations or prosecutions, as well as routine regulatory responsibility.

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION: Filing of this application and disclosure of the information is mandatory only if the lessee elects to initiate drilling operations on an oil and gas lease.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq) requires us to inform you that:

This information is being collected to allow evaluation of the technical, safety, and environmental factors involved with drilling for oil and/or gas on Federal and Indian oil and gas leases.

This information will be used to analyze and approve applications.

Response to this request is mandatory only if the lessee elects to initiate drilling operations on an oil and gas lease.

Submit to Appropriate  
District Office  
State Lease - 4 copies  
Fee Lease - 3 copies

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102  
Revised 1-1-89

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

EXHIBIT # 2

Geronimo Federal # 8

Lea County, New Mexico

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

DISTRICT II  
P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88210

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

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

All Distances must be from the outer boundaries of the section

Operator MITCHELL ENERGY Corporation			Lease GERONIMO FEDERAL		Well No. #8
Unit Letter F	Section 31	Township 19S.	Range 33E.	County NMPM LEA	
Actual Footage Location of Well: 1980 feet from the NORTH line and 1905 feet from the WEST line					
Ground level Elev. 3570	Producing Formation Yates-Seven Rivers		Pool Tonto, South (Yates-Seven Rivers)		Dedicated Acreage: 40 Acres

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hatchure marks on the plat below.

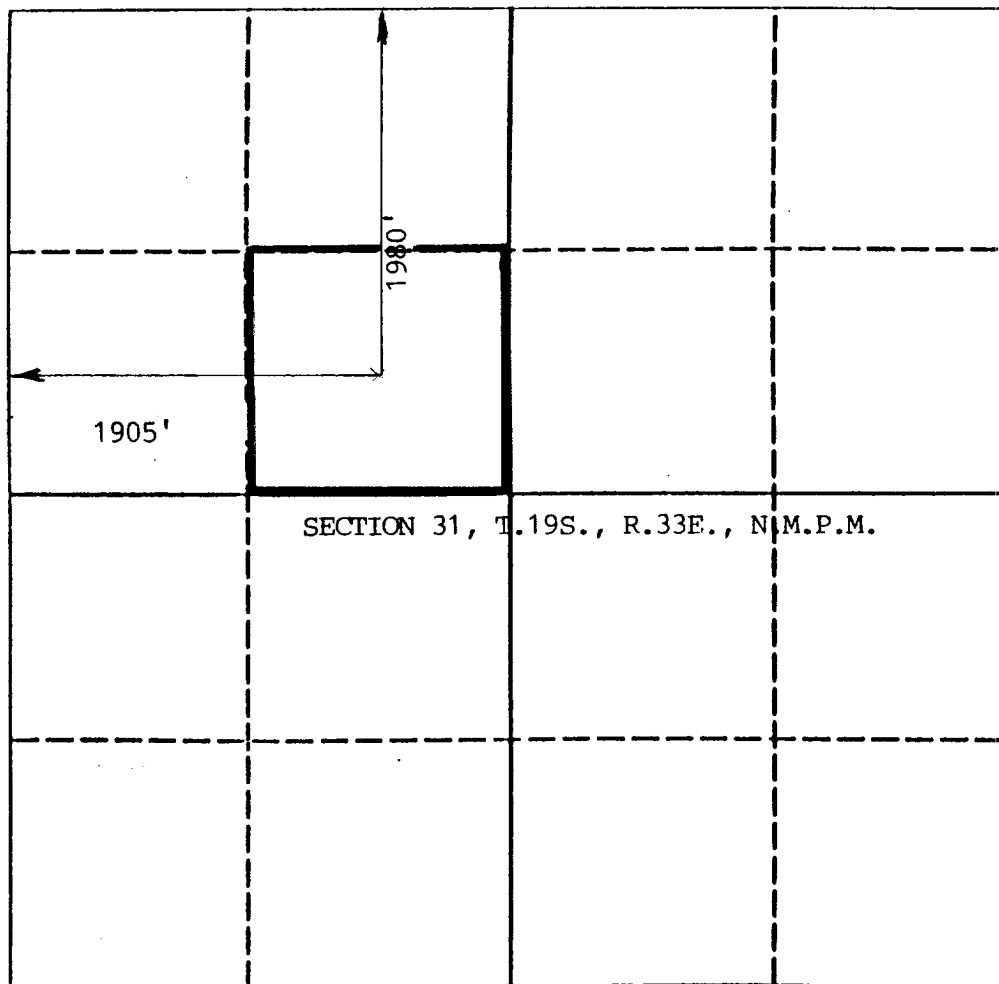
2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).

3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interest of all owners been consolidated by communization, unitization, force-pooling, etc.?

☐ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes" type of consolidation

If answer is "no" list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated. (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.)

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interest, has been approved by the Division.



OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature

*George Mullen*

Printed Name

George Mullen

Position

Reg. Affairs Specialist

Company

Mitchell Energy Corp.

Date

2-17-92

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

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 knowledge and belief.

Date Surveyed

1/28/92 D. J. JACQUES

Signature & Seal of  
Professional Surveyor

6290  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER  
BK.62, PG. 42-43

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Attached to Form 3160-3  
Mitchell Energy Corporation  
Geronimo Federal #8  
1980' FNL & 1905' FWL  
SE/NW Sec 31, T-19-S, R-33-E  
Lea Co., N.M.

1. Geologic Name of Surface Formation:

Permian

2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Permian	Surface
Top Salt	1350'
Base Salt	2740'
Yates	2970'

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

Upper Permian Sands	100'	fresh water
Yates	2970'	oil

No other formations are expected to give up oil, gas, or fresh water in measurable quantities. The surface fresh water sands will be protected by setting 8-5/8" csg at 500' 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 behind the 5-1/2" csg.

4. Casing Program:

<u>Hole Size</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>OD csg</u>	<u>Weight, Grade, Jt, Cond, Type</u>
12-1/4"	0-500'	8-5/8"	24#, K-55, ST&C, New, R-3
7-7/8"	500-TD'	5-1/2"	15.5#, ST&C, New, R-3

Cement Program:

8-5/8" Surface  
casing:

Cemented to surface with 300 sacks of  
Class "C" + 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 1/4 #/sack  
Flocele.

5-1/2" Production  
casing:

Cemented to surface with 800 sacks Class  
"C" + 5#/sack salt + 1/4#/sack Flocele.

# MINIMUM BLOWOUT PREVENTER REQUIREMENTS

3,000 psi Working Pressure

3 MWP

## STACK REQUIREMENTS

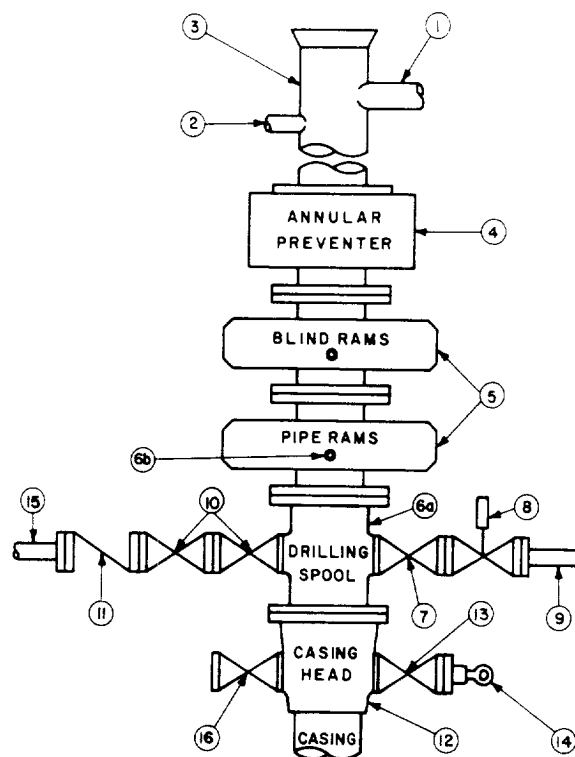
No.	Item	Min. I.D.	Min. Nominal
1	Flowline		
2	Fill up line		2"
3	Drilling nipple		
4	Annular preventer		
5	Two single or one dual hydraulically operated rams		
6a	Drilling spool with 2" min. kill line and 3" min choke line outlets		
6b	2" min. kill line and 3" min. choke line outlets in ram (Alternate to 6a above.)		
7	Valve <span style="float:right">Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/></span>	3-1/8"	
8	Gate valve—power operated	3-1/8"	
9	Line to choke manifold		3"
10	Valves <span style="float:right">Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/></span>	2-1/16"	
11	Check valve	2-1/16"	
12	Casing head		
13	Valve <span style="float:right">Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/></span>	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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EXHIBIT 1  
Geronimo Federal # 8  
Lea County, New Mexico

CONFIGURATION A



## CONTRACTOR'S OPTION TO FURNISH:

1. All equipment and connections above bradenhead or casinghead. Working pressure of preventers to be 3,000 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.

## MEC TO FURNISH:

1. Bradenhead or casinghead and side valves.
2. Wear bushing, if required.

## GENERAL NOTES:

1. Deviations from this drawing may be made only with the express permission of MEC'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, other bean sizes, retainers, and choke wrenches to be conveniently located for immediate use.
5. All valves to be equipped with handwheels or handles ready for immediate use.
6. Choke lines must be suitably anchored.

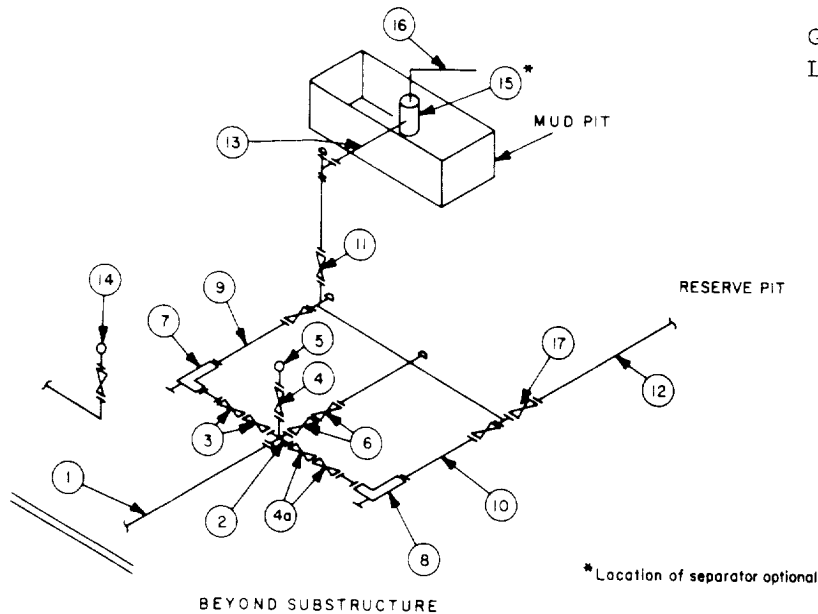
7. Handwheels and extensions to be connected and ready for use.
8. Valves adjacent to drilling spool to be kept open. Use outside valves except for emergency.
9. All seamless steel control piping (3000 psi working pressure) to have flexible joints to avoid stress. Hoses will be permitted.
10. Casinghead connections shall not be used except in case of emergency.
11. Do not use kill line for routine fill-up operations.

**MINIMUM CHOKE MANIFOLD**  
3,000, 5,000 and 10,000 PSI Working Pressure

**3 MWP - 5 MWP - 10 MWP**

EXHIBIT 1-A

Geronimo Federal # 8  
Lea County, New Mexico



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"x3"x3"x2"			3,000			5,000			
	Cross 3"x3"x3"x3"									10,000
3	Valves(1) Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/> (2)	3-1/8"		3,000	3-1/8"		5,000	3-1/8"		10,000
4	Valve Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/> (2)	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	3-1/8"		10,000
5	Pressure Gauge			3,000			5,000			10,000
6	Valves Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/> (2)	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		3"	10,000
11	Valves Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/> (2)	3-1/8"		3,000	3-1/8"		5,000	3-1/8"		10,000
12	Lines		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
13	Lines		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
14	Remote reading compound standpipe pressure gauge			3,000			5,000			10,000
15	Gas Separator		2'x5'			2'x5'			2'x5'	
16	Line		4"	1,000		4"	1,000		4"	2,000
17	Valves Gate <input type="checkbox"/> Plug <input type="checkbox"/> (2)	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 10M.

(3) Remote operated hydraulic choke required on 5,000 psi and 10,000 psi for drilling.

**EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

- All connections in choke manifold **shall** be welded, studded, flanged or Cameron clamp of comparable rating.
- All flanges **shall** be API 6B or 6BX and ring gaskets **shall** be API RX or BX. Use only BX for 10 MWP.
- All lines **shall** be securely anchored.
- Chokes **shall** be equipped with tungsten carbide seats and needles, and replacements **shall** be available.
- 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.
- 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° bends using bull plugged tees.
- Discharge lines from chokes, choke bypass and from top of gas separator should vent as far as practical from the well.

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