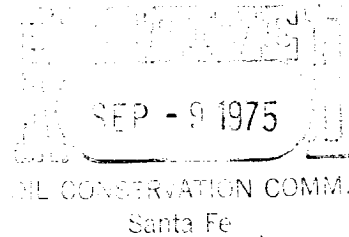


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Re: State 157-D
Unorthodox Location
Eumont Gas Pool
Lea County, New Mexico
2310' FSL, 990' FEL, Section 12, T-22S, R-36E

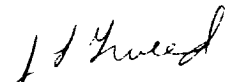
Dear Mr. Ramey:

Atlantic Richfield Company requests administrative approval of an unorthodox location for the State 157-D No. 4 well which we intend to plug and abandon in the Arrowhead Grayburg and recomplete in the Eumont Gas Pool. The well was originally completed open hole in the Arrowhead Grayburg in August 1939, at an orthodox location, 2310' FSL, 990' FEL, Section 12, Township 22 South, Range 36 East. The well location complies with New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Statewide Rule 104F and qualifies for administrative approval.

The well is located within an approved 320-acre non-standard Eumont Gas Proration Unit and simultaneous dedication of acreage is being applied for under separate cover. However, approval of this request for unorthodox location is in the interest of conservation, will protect correlative rights, prevent economic waste, and will allow for more complete recovery of Eumont gas reserves.

Attached is a map showing offset operators, well location, and Acreage Dedication Plat, and a list of offset operators. In addition, offset operators have been notified of and provided with this application as required by Statewide Rule No. 104.

Very truly yours,


J. L. Tweed

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