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Chevron U.S. A. Production Company P.O. Box 1150 Midland, Texas 79702-1150 Attention: Michelle LeVan

Administrative Order NSP-688-A(SD)

Dear Ms. LeVan:

Reference is made to your application dated January 18, 1996 for an 80-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit ("GPU") consisting of the following acreage in the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool:

## LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO <u>TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 37 EAST, NMPM</u> Section 1: W/2 SE/4.

It is our understanding that this unit is to be simultaneously dedicated to your existing Alice Paddock Well No. 1 (API No. 30-025-09938), located at a standard gas well location 660 feet from the South line and 1980 feet from the East line (Unit O) of said Section 1 and your existing Alice Paddock Well No. 2 (API No. 30-025-09939), located at a standard gas well location 1980 feet from the South and East lines (Unit J) of said Section 1.

By authority granted me under the provisions of Rule 2(d) of the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Blinebry Oil and Gas Pool" as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8170, as amended, the above-described 80-acre non-standard gas spacing and proration unit is hereby approved. Also, you are hereby permitted to produce the allowable assigned the subject GPU, in accordance with Rule 5 of said pool rules based upon a unit size of 80 acres.

There appear to be three administrative non-standard gas spacing and proration orders previously issued for the Alice Paddock Well No. 1:

- Division Administrative Order NSP-688, dated August 19, 1964, which authorized the 40 acres comprising the SW/4 SE/4 of

said Section 1 to be dedicated to said well;

- Division Administrative Order NSP-692, dated September 30, 1964, authorized a 120-acre non-standard GPU for the Alice Paddock Well No. 1 consisting of the SW/4 SE/4 and E/2 SE/4 of said Section 1; and,

- on January 27, 1986 said Administrative Order NSP-692 was amended to form a non-standard 80-acre GPU for the Alice Paddock Well No. 1 comprising the S/2 SE/4 of said Section 1.

The last gas proration schedule, issued by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission in Case 11350 by Order No. R-10435, has for the Alice Paddock Well No. 1 an acreage factor of 0.25, which indicates that the 40 acres comprising the SW/4 SE/4 of said Section 1 is currently dedicated to said well. While your application made no reference to any of the previous orders or to the current 40-acre GPU for the No. 1 well, it can only be assumed that Chevron has been producing this well under the authority of Order NSP-688.

At this time the three of the aforementioned Division Administrative Orders (NSP-688, NSP-692, and "AMENDED NSP-692) are hereby placed in abeyance until further notice by the Division.

Sincerely, William J. LeMa Director WJL/MES/kv Oil Conservation Division - Hobbs cc: NSP-688 File: NSP-692