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Oil Conservation Division District II Office 1301 W. Grand Ave. Artesia, New Mexico 88210 Attn: Ms. Kimberly Wilson

Re: Statewide Rule 118 Hydrogen Sulfide Gas Contingency Plan

Proposed Vega 9 Federal No. 4 Well

Dear Ms. Wilson:

In accordance with NMAC 19.15.3.118 C. (1) governing the determination of the hydrogen sulfide concentration in gaseous mixtures in each of its operations, Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado does not anticipate that there will be enough H2S from the surface to the Paddock formations to meet the OCD's minimum requirements for the submission of a contingency plan for the drilling and completion of the following test(s):

Vega 9 Federal No. 4 9-17S-30E 990 FNL & 330 FWL Eddy County, NM

If anything further is needed regarding this issue, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 972-443-6489.

Yours truly,

Zeno Farris

Manager, Operations Administration

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