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**Sent Via Fax at 915/687-8431 &
Certified Return Receipt Requested**

Mr. John Kloosterman
Marathon Oil Company
PO Box 552
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RE: Replacement Letter
Request for Permission to Locate
West Indian Basin Unit Well No. 5,
680' FNL & 1690' FEL of Section 20,
T21S, R23E, N.M.P.M.,
Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LLC has had the location for the West Indian Basin Unit Well No. 5 re-surveyed and re-staked at location 680' FNL & 1690' FEL of Section 20, T21S, R23E, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. As we have heretofore stated, the Bureau of Land Management has advised that we need to obtain permission from Marathon Oil Company to locate such well at this location due to the proximity of a Marathon Oil Company water line and a Marathon Oil Company gas line. The Bureau of Land Management will require that the pit for such well be built to the south.

We ask that Marathon Oil Company grant its permission to locating the West Indian Basin Unit Well No. 5 at this location by signing and dating this letter in the space provided below and returning it to my attention at the address on this letterhead. Please return a copy by fax at 972/715-4012.

Thank you, and if you should have any questions, please call me at 972/715-4608.