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Pogo Producing Company Attention: Richard L. Wright P. O. Box 10340 Midland, TX 79702

RE: Mobil Federal Well No. 7 NM-0281482-A 330' FSL & 660' FEL, Sec. 29, T23S, R31E Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am happy to approve your Application for Permit to Drill (APD) at the present location. Your copy of the APD, with attached stipulations, is

As you may be aware, there has been a significant increase in APD's in the Secretary's Potash Area. Unfortunately, this has resulted in time delays, which I sincerely hope have not unduly burdened your company.

If you need any additional information, please contact Tony Herrell at the Carlsbad Resource Area (505) 887-6544.

Sincerely,

## Larry L. Woodard

Larry L. Woodard State Director

## 1 Enclosure:

1 - Application for Permit to Drill (APD)

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NM (910, L. Woodard) NM (920, R. Smith) NM (060, A. Lopez) NM (060, L. Cone) NM (067, T. Herrell)

International Minerals & Chemical Co. Attention: Gary Williams P. O. Box 71 Carlsbad, NM 88220

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