## CLAUDE C. KENNEDY INDEPENDENT OIL AND GAS OPERATOR May 6, 1978

Mr. Alton R. Kendrick N. M. O. C. C. 1000 Rio Brazos Road Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Re: Proposed Drill Site Location:
Sec. 9, T15N, R6W, McKinly County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Kendrick:

I am the record title owner of a <u>fee</u> oil and gas lease covering the subject section of land located on the Ignacio Chavez Land Grant.

As a requirement and only as a requirement of that fee oil and gas lease, there is a Future Interest BLM Lease NM A 30317 which <u>might</u> become effective on 5-10-1989.

I have discussed this proposed location verbally with you and both USGS offices covering this area.

I have entered into a "Farmout Agreement" with Mr. W. M. Kaiser and have represented this to be a fee Oil & Gas Lease. I have verbally been advised that USGS might require compliance with NTL-6 prior to approval of this application.

Mr. Kaiser does not wish to be exposed to the added expense of the NTL-6 compliance and necessary delay.

Therefore, I take the position that this is a <u>fee</u> lease, not subject to USGS jurisdiction; and that the only approval required should come from the N.M.O.C.C. and the surface management agency which is:

District Manager
Bureau of Land Management
P. O. Box 6770

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107 as contained in the lease provisions of NM A 30317.

Therefore, I request that this application be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Receipt of the "Official Survey Plats".
- 2. Approval of "Bond" as required.
- 3. BLM surface clearance.



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A timely decision in this matter would be greatly appreciated, since we had planned to start work on this well this month.

Thanking you, I remain

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