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RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA
OPERATOR: ADVANCE ENERGY PARTNERS HAT MESA, LLC
LEASE NAME: MERCHANT STATE UNIT #505H
PROPOSED LOCATION: U/L A Sec 35 T21S R33E 150 FNL 1305 FEL
PROPOSED DEPTH: 21063' MD

Gentleman:

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Thank you for your assistance. Please Return as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Paul Kautz

Hobbs District Geologist, District I

RESPONSE:

The above referenced location is in LMR (2018 year) -----Yes ----- No ☒

The above referenced location is within the Buffer Zone -----Yes ----- No ☒ SDV

Signed
Printed Signature Aubrey Dunn

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