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December 6, 2010

Hess  
500 Dallas Street  
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Attention: Mr. James S. Hughart

Re: Final Approval to Second Unit Enlargement  
West Bravo Dome Carbon Dioxide Gas Unit  
Harding County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hughart:

This office has received your letter of November 16, 2010, wherein you have requested final approval of the Second Enlargement of the West Bravo Dome Carbon Dioxide Gas Unit. Also enclosed are Hess Corporation's original ratification and revised Exhibits "A", "B" and "C".

It is our understanding that Hess is the sole owner of the leases committed to the Unit and the sole working interest owner of the Unit.

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the Second Enlargement and Expansion of the West Bravo Dome Carbon Dioxide Gas Unit Area, Harding County, New Mexico. The Commissioner also accepts revised Exhibits "A", "B" and "C", reflecting the addition of Tracts F116 to F120 (Federal); S525 to S539 (State) and 2047 to 2054 (Fee) to the Unit. The Unit Area as expanded now contains a total of 76,949.58 acres.

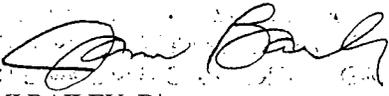
Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and the Bureau of Land Management. Pursuant to Article 12.3 of the Unit Agreement, the effective date of any enlargement of the Unit Area shall be 7:00 A.M. on the first day of the calendar month following compliance with conditions for enlargement.

Your filing fee in the amount of \$3,240.00 has been received.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

PATRICK H. LYONS  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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