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J.D. Murchison Interests, Inc. 1100 Mira Vista Blvd. Plano, Texas 75093-4698

Attn:

Mr. Mike S. Heathington

Re:

2010 Plans of Development

Hightower State Unit Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Heathington:

The Commissioner of Public Lands has, of this date, approved the referenced Plan of Development. Our approval is subject to like approval by all other appropriate agencies. The possibility of drainage by wells outside the unit area, and the need for further development of the unit may exist; therefore, we may contact you at a later date regarding these possibilities.

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

JAMI BAILEY Director

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