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New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Attn: J. E. Kapteina

waiting no offsetting operators

Re: TransOcean Oil, Inc. Turner SFPRR No. 1 Section 21, T3N, R9W Catron Co., New Mexico

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Dear Sir:

We respectfully request an exception to a normal standard location to a non-standard location of 1571.5 FWL & 1559.7 FNL of Section 21, T3N-R9W, due to local topographic conditions, on the above-captioned well. We further ask the Secretary-Director to grant administration approval to the requested non-standard location under Rule 104 - Section F.

Enclosed is a plat of the topography in Section 21 and the immediate area taken from the U.S.G.S. "Pasture Canyon" topographic map. On the plat is plotted the proposed non-standard location which has been surveyed by a licensed surveyor. This location falls southwest of a cliff face that precludes standard locations to the north and east. The rubble and block boulders preclude standard locations to the south and west of the proposed location.

In summary, the presence of the steep cliff face, large block boulders, and the amount of cut and fill make the standard locations undesirable. The non-standard location is located on a sloping terrace at the base of the steep cliff and presents no drainage problems.

The area has been inspected and approved by Mr. Carl Ulvog of your Santa Fe Office.

Enclosed is a lease ownership map of the subject acreage and offsetting

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acreage. TransOcean Oil, Incorporated owns leases on all of the offsetting acreage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Charles G. Johnson Manager Western Exploration Division

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