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April 11, 2004

David Catanach Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Case No. 13243/Mewbourne Oil Company/§17-18S-32E

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the BLM, approving Mewbourne's proposal to form Strawn laydown units in Section 17 for Mewbourne's new wells.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Mewbourne Oil Company



12:32pm

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Roswell Field Office 2909 West Second Street Roswell, New Mexico 88201

IN REPLY REFER TO: NMNM-106717 NMNM-9016 3160 (06300)

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Mewbourne Oil Company Attn: Steve Cobb 500 West Texas, Suite 1020 Midland, Texas 79701

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to our meeting on March 25, 2004, this office is in agreement with your company that it is necessary to communitize the S½NE¼ and N½ SE¼, sec. 17, T. 18 S., R. 32 E., NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. The wells involved, the SF 17 Federal Com No. 1 well located in the SW1/4NE1/4 and SF 17 Federal Com .No. 2 well located in the NW1/4SE1/4, sec. 17 are both producing from the Strawn Lime. The seismic data and isopach map of the Strawn Lime presented at the meeting clearly show the necessity for such action. As soon as this office receives the necessary application the communitzations will be approved. If you have any questions please call John S. Simtz at (505) 627-0288 or the division of lands and Minerals at (505) 627-0272.

Larry D. Bray

Assistant Field Office Manager,

Lands and Minerals