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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. Z-235-437-244

Ms. Maureen Gannon PNM Alvarado Square, MS 0408 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87158

RE: GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION HAMPTON 4M WELL SITE

Dear Ms. Gannon:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has been reviewing the investigation and remedial actions related to PNM's former dehy pit at Burlington Resources Hampton 4M well site near Aztec, New Mexico.

The investigation and remedial actions taken to date are satisfactory. However, the OCD is concerned about the migration of contaminated ground water onto downgradient private lands and the presence of private water wells downgradient of the site. Therefore, the OCD requires that PNM take additional remedial actions within 30 days to remove the remaining source areas with free phase hydrocarbons in the vicinity of and immediately downgradient of the dehy pit.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (505) 827-7154.

Sincerely,

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