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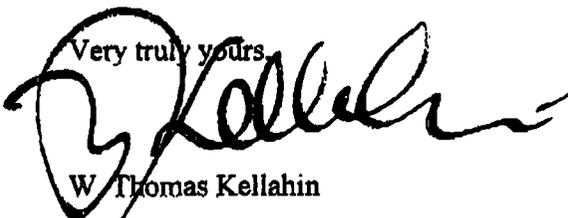
Mr. Mark Fesmire, Director
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Request to Dismissal
NMOCD Case 13218
Application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. for compulsory pooling,
Excalibur "17" Federal Com. Well No. 1 Unit P,
320-acre spacing unit consisting of S/2 Section 17, T19S, R33E,
Lea County, New Mexico

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Dear Mr. Fesmire:

Chesapeake Operating Inc. is the successor to Concho Resources Inc. to applicant in this case. This case appears on the June 10, 2004 docket. Chesapeake will continue to attempt to obtain voluntary agreement from the working interest owners and therefore requests that this case be dismissed.

Very truly yours,

W. Thomas Kellahin

CC: Chesapeake Operating Inc.
Attn: Lynda Townsend