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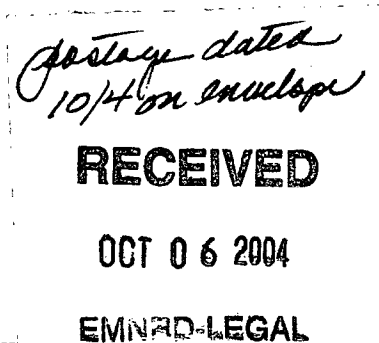
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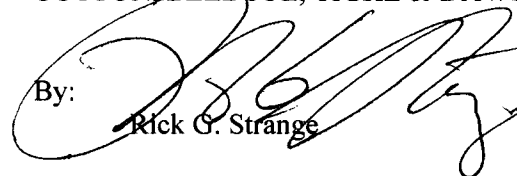
Re: Case 13142, application of New Mexico Environment Bureau Chief for [redacted] requiring [redacted] LLC to Remediate Hydrocarbon Contamination at an Abandoned Well and Battery Site, Lea County, New Mexico (do novo)

Dear Ms. Leach:

Thank you for your letter dated September 29th. It is my understanding that this case has been passed to the November docket because I have oral argument before the Beaumont Court of Appeals on October 14th. If so, I believe that would change the deadlines. If my understanding is incorrect, I would appreciate it if you would advise me. If the deadlines are, in fact, being changed because of the new setting, I would also appreciate it if you would provide us with the new deadlines.

Very truly yours,

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