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Via Fax

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

Re: Case No. 13083/Roca Production, Inc.

Dear Mr. Catanach:

Fursuant to your letter of February 15, 2005, applicant submits the enclosed affidavit. Please be advised that I am obtaining a signed Very truly yours,

Attorney for Roca Production, Inc.

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF ROCA PRODUCTION, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Case No. 13,083

AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES C. BROWN

STATE OF TEXAS	
COUNTY OF MIDLAND)

James C. Brown, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states:

- 1. I am over the age of 18, and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein.
- 2. I am a consultant for the owners of approximately 69% of the mineral interest in the well unit, and am familiar with the land matters involved in this case.
- 3. I have reviewed the files regarding the subject lands which are in my clients' possession, and have determined as follows:
 - (a) Although there are references in the files to an operating agreement which was in effect in the 1950s and 1960s, I was unable to locate a copy of any such operating agreement. Therefore, if the Division finds that there is an operating agreement in place, no one will be able to determine its terms and provisions;
 - (b) During the late 1980s and the 1990s the Esmond A Well No. 2 was operated by contract operators, who did not use an operating agreement; and
 - (c) Based on the course of dealing among the mineral interest owners during the last 15 years, there is no operating agreement in effect covering the NE¼ of Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., as to the Jalmat Gas Pool.
- 4. Evelyn O'Hara, who appeared at the hearing in opposition to the pooling application, was unable to provide a copy of the prior operating agreement, and has yet to agree to the proposed re-entry of the well.

James C. B	rown
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO this days brown.	ay of March, 2005 by James C.
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My Commission expires:	