

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING  
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION  
DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
CONSIDERING:**

**CASE NO. 13097**

**APPLICATION OF EL PASO ENERGY RATON, L.L.C.  
FOR APPROVALS OF NON-STANDARD/IRREGULAR  
SPACING UNITS AND CERTAIN NON-STANDARD  
SETBACKS FOR UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATIONS  
FOR COALBED METHANE GAS WELLS AND ANY  
OTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED FOR SUCH UNITS,  
SETBACKS AND WELLS IN COLFAX COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

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**JUN 16 2003**

*Oil Conservation Division*

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE OF HEARING**

Applicant El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C. (El Paso) requests a continuance of hearing on its Application in this matter from June 19, 2003 until August 7, 2003, at which time El Paso requests that its Application be set and heard by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD).

El Paso has contacted a representative of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and understands that the BLM has no objection to this Request for Continuance of Hearing.

El Paso understands that if no formal order is entered granting its Request for Continuance of Hearing prior to the June 19, 2003 hearing, such requests are routinely granted at the opening of the hearing on June 19, 2003, if the Request has been made by Applicant, and that Applicant need not attend the hearing.

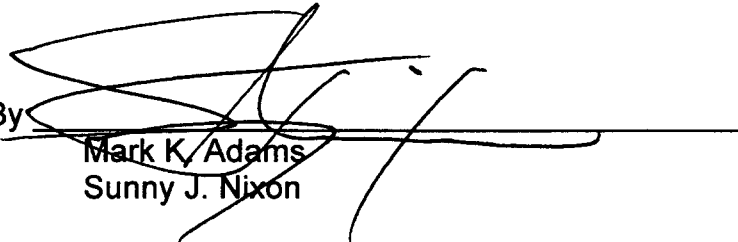
WHEREFORE, El Paso requests a continuance of hearing on its Application until

the OCD hearing date scheduled for August 7, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing  
Request For Continuance Of Hearing by El Paso Energy Raton, L.L.C. to be sent by  
facsimile and by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, this 16th day of June, 2003 to the  
following:

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