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**HAND-DELIVERY**

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**Re: Case No. 13589: Application of Duke Energy Field Services, LP for approval of an acid gas injection well, Lea County, New Mexico.**

Dear Ms. O'Connor:

In preparation of the Oil Conservation Commission hearing on the application of Duke Energy Field Services, LP ("Duke") for approval of an acid gas injection well, Duke requests a pre-hearing conference be held in this matter. Duke believes a conference is necessary to afford all the parties an opportunity to understand the position and/or concerns of the Division and other parties. The case is currently scheduled for the February 9, 2006 Commission Docket. Duke proposes a conference is held on Friday, February 3, 2006 at a time mutually convenient to all parties. If this date does not work, Duke is open to an alternative date.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

William F. Carr

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cc: Scott Hall