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Florene Davidson Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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Dear Florene:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Quest Cherokee, LLC, are an original and one copy of an application to approve an APD, together with a proposed advertisement. The advertisement has also been e-mailed to the Division. Please set this matter for the February 1, 2007 Examiner hearing. Thanks.

/Very truly yours,

ler James Bruce

Attorney for Quest Cherokee, LLC

## **BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION** 2007 JAN 3 RM 7 59 FOR APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. Case No. 13870

## **APPLICATION**

Quest Cherokee, LLC applies for an order approving an application for permit to drill, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is the operator of the proposed State 9-4 Well No. 1, to be located in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M. The original proposed location of the well is in the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 9.

2. The Division's Hobbs District Office has informed applicant that it will not administratively approve the application for permit to drill due to objections by nearby surface owners to drilling the well.

3. Applicant requests that its application for permit to drill be approved so that it may drill the well. Failure to approve this application will result in applicant's loss of its right to drill in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 9. The approval of this application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order approving the relief requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney for Quest Resources, LLC

**Case No.** <u>13876</u>: Application of Quest Cherokee, LLC for approval of an application for permit to drill, Lea County, New Mexico: Applicant seeks approval of an application for permit to drill its State 9-4 Well No. 1 in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 9, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, NMPM. The proposed well is located approximately 5 miles north-northwest of Hobbs, New Mexico.