



OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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CERTIFIED - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Gray Surface Specialties
Attention: Denise Menoud
3106 North Big Spring Street, Suite 100
Midland, Texas 79705

Re: Rule 104 Notification to Multiple Operators in
Shared Proration Unit for Permit to Drill New Well
OXY Checker State #2, 1980 FNL & 660 FWL, Unit E
Section 8, T19S-R29E, Eddy County, New Mexico
JOA file 03181501

Dear Ms. Menoud,

With respect to your letter dated December 28, 2006, please be advised that OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership objects to Bold Energy, L.P.'s proposed application for multiple Operators on the captioned lands. OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership (successor to OXY USA Inc.) is the designated Operator under the terms of that certain Operating Agreement dated March 1, 1997 and Letter Agreement dated March 27, 1997.

OXY requests that Bold Energy contact OXY prior to any further action on this proposed well so that we can discuss resolution to this matter as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership

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cc: Elizabeth Bush
William Carr (Holland & Hart)
Bob Doty
David Sutter (Stubbeman Law Firm)
Peggy Kerr (Bold Energy)

An Occidental Oil and Gas Company

Oil Conservation Commission
Case No. _____
Exhibit No. 5