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Attn: Ms. Meg Muhlinghause

Re: Application of Concho Exploration, Inc. to Increase the Depth Bracket Allowable  
for the Shugart-Delaware Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Interest Owner:

This letter is to advise you that Concho Exploration, Inc. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. This application has been set for hearing before a Division Examiner on July 24, 2003. You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date.

Parties appearing in cases are required by Division Rule 1208.B to file a Prehearing Statement three days in advance of a scheduled hearing. This statement must include: the names of the parties and their attorneys; a concise statement of the case; the names of all witnesses the party will call to testify at the hearing; the approximate time the party will need to present its case; and identification of any procedural matters that are to be resolved prior to the hearing.

Sincerely,



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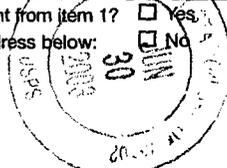
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