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August 17, 2009

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Attn: Ms. Janet Richardson

Re: Voluntary Termination Barracuda State Exploratory Unit Chaves County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Richardson:

Your letter of August 12, 2009 has been received by this office. As operator of the captioned unit, your letter requests the voluntary termination of the Barracuda State Exploratory Unit Agreement. Enclosed with your letter of August 12, 2009 are ratifications of over 83% of the working interest owners requesting the unit termination.

Pursuant to Article 17 of the Barracuda State Exploratory Unit Agreement, please be advised that this office has terminated the Barracuda State Exploratory Unit Agreement effective August 17, 2009.

Please notify all interested parties of this action.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

Very truly yours,

PATRICK H. LYONS COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

JAMI BAILEY, Director Oil, Gas & Minerals Division PL/JB/pm pc: Reader File

Reader File NMOCD Attention: Mr. Ed Martin TRD-Attention: Mr. Valdean Severson RMD-Attn: Mr. Kurt McFall Jeff Albers

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