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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 FEB 9 2004

Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: NMOCD Case No. 13085; Application of EGL Resources, Inc. and Robert Landreth for Pool Extension for the North Bell Lake-Devonian Gas Pool, Or Alternatively, for Pool Creation and Special Pool Rules, And Expansion of Gas Spacing and Proration Unit, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

The examiner hearing on the Application referenced above was concluded on October 2, 2003. Correspondingly, on behalf of the Applicants, we respectfully request the entry of a final order in the case at the Division's earliest convenience. While the Division is understandably preoccupied with the current legislative session, the Applicants are concerned that any further delay will result in the loss of valuable property rights. In addition, an offsetting well drilled by Devon Energy Production Company that was the subject of an interim order has reached total depth (14,601') and will be completed at a location the Applicants have asserted will be deemed to be unorthodox, resulting in the violation of correlative rights. (See attached copy of the August 22, 2003 *Decision Of The Examiner*.)

For these reasons, we would appreciate your consideration of this request as soon as your schedule may permit.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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