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Gillespie-Crow, Inc.
P. O. Box 2557
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Attn: Mr. William R. Crow

Re: Application For A Reduced Allowable State "S" Well No. 1 -
Undesignated West Lovington-Strawn Pool

Phillips Petroleum Company, as a working interest owner in the West Lovington Strawn Unit in Lea County, New Mexico, supports the operator in the subject application as filed. The operator is hereby authorized to read this letter to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in support of the application.

Sincerely,

R. Weatherspoon
Operations Engineer
CENTRAL ASSET TEAM

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