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FEDERAL EXPRESS

Re: Burlington Marcotte No. 2; Sec. 8, T-31-N, R-10-W, NMPM
San Juan County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Alexander:

Enclosed is Total Minatome Corporation's check No. 0152220 for \$107,791.00 for its share of estimated well costs for the Marcotte No. 2 well. This payment is tendered pursuant to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Order R-10878 entered on September 12, 1997 in Case No. 11809. Also enclosed is a copy of my letter to Tom Kellahin dated today.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

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