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PLEASE REPLY TO SANTA FE

Mr. William J. LeMay, Director  
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2040 South Pacheco  
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**HAND DELIVERED**

Re: NMOCD Case No.s 11808 and 11809; Application of Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company for Compulsory Pooling, Unorthodox Well Location and Non-Standard Spacing and Proration Unit, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Enclosed for filing are duplicate originals of Total-Minatome Corporation's Motion to Stay Order No.s R-10877 and R-10878.

Please note that the Motion requests your expedited consideration for the reason that the Division's compulsory pooling order in Case No. 11809 provides that the owners of pooled interests have thirty days from the date the schedule of estimated well costs are made available to pay their share of costs and avoid the statutory risk penalty. In this circumstance, that election date is October 19th.

Please note also that these pooling orders are affected by Judge Caton's initial ruling staying Order R-10815 establishing 640-acre spacing for sub-Dakota formation gas wells.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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