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February 12, 1998

Mr. Doyle Hartman
3811 Turtle Creek
Dallas, Texas 75219

Re: **McCasland Fee #1**
NE/4 SW/4 Section 18
T-20-S, R-39-E
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hartman:

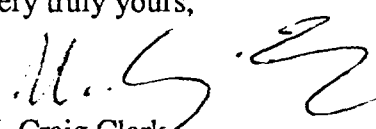
Pursuant to my letter dated January 9, 1998 concerning the drilling of the above captioned well, enclosed for your review and approval is a Joint Operating Agreement covering the above captioned lands.

Please review the agreement and if everything appears correct, sign it in space provided and return one copy of the extra signature page, along with an executed copy of the AFE previously furnished you.

Again, as stated in my previous letter, in the event you do not wish to participate in the drilling of the well with your mineral interest, we would be happy to lease your interest as stated in EnerQuest's letter of May 12, 1997. As you are probably aware, we have scheduled a force pooling hearing in early March, however, we would like to resolve this matter prior to the hearing date.

Should you require any additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,


M. Craig Clark

MCC/s
Enclosure
cc: Mr. Steve Hartman

