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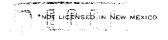
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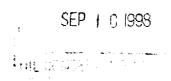
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Applications of Hallwood Petroleum, Inc. for Orders Allowing Drilling in Potash Area, Lea County, New Mexico. 1.3.56

## Dear Florene:

Enclosed herewith are the original and three copies of the above referenced applications of Hallwood Petroleum, Inc., along with the proposed ads. Please file the originals and return one file-stamped copy of each application to us in the enclosed, stamped envelope. We would request that this matter be placed on the docket for October 8, 1998.

The applications request that the Division allow drilling to develop the oil and gas resources on fee lands within the Designated Potash Area. The mineral interest owners concur with these Applications. The subject lands are not leased for potash. However, Mississippi Potash, Incorporated owns a potash lease within one mile of the APD locations and has filed objections to the proposed development.

In accordance with applicable Division rules, we have notified the persons on the list below of this application.

Please advise if anything further is needed. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

HINKLE, COX, EATON, COFFIELD, & HENSLEY, L.L.P.

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Lois Dodds

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