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Re:

INEW MEXICO BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION RECOGNIZED SPECIALIST IN THE AREA OF NATURAL RESOURCES-OIL AND GAS LAW

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Case 12212

Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Attn: Mr. Michael E. Stogner

> <u>NOTICE OF OBJECTION</u>: Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C.'s Diamondback "25" Federal Well No. 1 Unit P, Section 25, T19S, R32E, NMPM, Administrative Application to NMOCD for Approval of Unorthodox Gas Well Location, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stogner:

By letter dated June 3, 1999, Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. sent notification to the offsetting operators of the referenced request.

On behalf of Mitchell Energy Corporation, as an offsetting interest owner and operator in Section 31, we hereby object to the referenced application by Nearburg Exploration Company, L.L.C. for an unorthodox gas well location described in its administrative application to the Division.

We request that this matter be set for hearing and that Mitchell Energy Corporation be provided notification of the hearing in accordance with Division notice rules.

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