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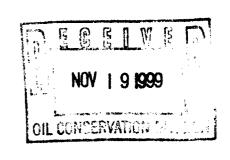
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Re: Case No. 12289: West Lovington Strawn Unit

Dear Mr. Stogner:

I have received Mr. Hall's letter of November 18th, regarding Exhibit 9 submitted at hearing.

Mr. Hall is correct that there was a slight change to Exhibit 9 between October 26th and November 18th. However, as is apparent from the final paragraph of my October 26th letter (enclosed), the intent of revised Article 10.4 was to include royalty interests in well payout. If that was not the intent, there was no need to change the Energen proposal (Exhibit 8 submitted at hearing).

I ask that the enclosed letter be attached to and made part of Exhibit 9.

Very truly yours,

James Bruce

Attorney for Gillespie Oil, Inc.