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December 15, 2000

Lori Wrotenbery, Director
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Re: NMOCD Case No. 12441; Application of LG&E Natural Pipeline LLC for Special Project Rules, Grama Ridge Morrow Gas Storage Unit, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

The above Application seeks the adoption and implementation of special project rules in the vicinity of the Grama Ridge Morrow Gas Storage Unit. Since the Application was first filed, hearing in the matter has been continued a number of times to facilitate discussions between the Applicant, LG&E Natural Pipeline LLC, and other operators in the immediate area. Recently, one hundred percent of the stock of LG&E Natural Pipeline LLC was acquired by Conoco, Inc., and as a result, the name of the owner and Unit Operator of the Grama Ridge Morrow Gas Storage Unit. was changed to Raptor Natural Pipeline LLC ("Raptor").


Raptor wishes to pursue the Application in the case once it has completed all the tasks attendant with the closing of its acquisition of the LG&E interests. Accordingly, on behalf of Raptor, I respectfully request the hearing in the matter be continued to the Division's January 25, 2001 examiner docket. As Conoco's acquisition did not require the assignment or transfer of record title interests in the Unit, I believe it would be appropriate to simply substitute Raptor Natural Pipeline LLC for the current Applicant on the hearing docket and in the Division's advertisement. Similarly, there should be no need for Raptor to provide new notice of the Application. Should there be any question about proceeding in this fashion, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Lori Wrotenbery
December 15, 2000
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Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

MILLER, STRATVERT & TORGERSON, P.A.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Scott Hall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some capitalization.

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