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Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Chair Oil Conservation Commission 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: REQUEST FOR HEARING DENOVO

Order No. R-11652 NMOCD Case 12587 Application of Sapient Energy Corp. for an unorthodox well location and nonstandard proration unit or in the alternative a 160-acre non-standard proration unit Lea County, New Mexico

NMOCD Case 12605 Application of Sapient Energy Corp. for special pool rules, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of Sapient Energy Corp., please find enclosed our request for a Hearing DeNovo of the referenced cases before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission. We request that this matter be set for hearing on the November 9th docket.

Thomas Kellahin

cc: William F. Carr, Esq.

Attorney for Conoco Inc.

cc: Sapient Energy Corp.

Attn: Chuck Perrin

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 12587

APPLICATION OF SAPIENT ENERGY CORP. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATIONS AND (i) TWO NON-STANDARD 160-ACRE GAS SPACING UNITS; OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE (ii) ONE NON-STANDARD 160-ACRE GAS SPACING AND PRORATION UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 12605

APPLICATION OF SAPIENT ENERGY CORPORATION FOR SPECIAL POOL RULES, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

SAPIENT ENERGY CORP.'S REQUEST FOR A DE NOVO HEARING BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Comes now SAPIENT ENERGY CORP., a party of record before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division in Cases 12587 and 12605 and adversely affected by Division Order R-11652 entered September 13, 2001, by its attorneys Kellahin & Kellahin and pursuant to NMSA (1978) Section 70-2-13, hereby requests that the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission hold a HEARING DENOVO in these matters.

Respectfully Submitted:

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