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October 3, 2001

Lori Wrotenbery, Director
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 St. Francis Drive
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Re: NMOCD Case No. 12705; Application of D. J. Simmons, Inc. for Compulsory
Pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery:

On behalf of the Applicant, D. J. Simmons, Inc., we respectfully request that the hearing in Case No. 12705 now set for the October 18, 2001 examiner docket be continued indefinitely pending the completion of the *de novo* proceedings in Case No. 126351. These two competing compulsory pooling cases involve overlapping proration units, one a stand-up E/2 unit and the other a lay-down S/2 unit, that both affect the SE/4 of the same section.

Very truly yours,



J. Scott Hall

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