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February 4, 2002

Hon. David R. Catanach
Hearing Examiner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Re: Case No. 12809
Application for an Order Shutting In Well, Terminating Injection Authority
and Assessing Civil Penalties, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Catanach:

The Division is requesting that the hearing of the referenced case which is presently set on February 7, 2002, be continued to March 7, 2002, inasmuch as the Division and the operator are exploring possibilities of settlement.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of David K. Brooks in cursive.

David K. Brooks
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