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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Ms. Lori Wrotenbery, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Oil Conservation Division Case 12972: Application of Paladin Energy Corp. for amendment of the Special Pool Rules and Regulations for the Bagley Siluro-Devonian Pool to assign a special depth bracket allowable, Lea County, New Mexico.

Oil Conservation Division Case No. 12973: Application of Paladin Energy Corp. for a non-standard oil spacing unit, Lea County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Wrotenbery;

Paladin Energy Corp. hereby requests that the above-referenced cases be dismissed.

Your attention to this request is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



William F. Carr  
Attorney for Paladin Energy Corp.

cc: Mr. George Fenton  
Paladin Energy Corp.  
W. Thomas Kellahin, Esq.