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May 23, 1986

Mr. James A. Davidson P. O. Box 494 Midland, Texas 79702-0494

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION Santa Fe, New Mexico 60 Exhibit No. **Hearing Date**

Re: Well Proposal - SE: Section 14, T-16-S, R-38-E

E. Garrett Area Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Marathen Oil Company is proposing to drill a 13,300' Silurian test at a legal location in the SE2 of Section 14, T-10-S, A-13-E. Lea County, New Mexico. Estimated dry hole costs are \$1,204,000.00 with completed well cost of \$1,719,000.00. Marathon hereby requests you elect one of the following options:

.... Participate in the drilling of the well.

.... Farmout your interest to Marathon in the $S_{\frac{1}{2}}$, $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}NE_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of Section 14, delivering a 75% net revenue interest lease before payout with the option to convert a 1/16 of 8/8 overriding royalty interest into a proportionate 25% working interest at payout.

Please respond to this proposal by June 23, 1986. Marathon's proprietary data will be made available to any party who elects in writing to participate or farmout by June 23, 1986.

If you have any questions, contact Steve Daniels, Landman, at the letterhead address.

Very truly yours,

MARATHON OIL COMPANY

Steve Daniels

Landman

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xc: L. M. Bullock, III