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Exxon Company, U.S.A.
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Attn: Joe B. Thomas

Re: Proposed Laguna Salado south Unit Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We received your letter, dated June 1, 1990, requesting preliminary concurrence and approval of the Laguna Salado South.

This office has reviewed the proposal which meets the general requirements of the Commissioner of Public Lands who has this date granted you preliminary approval of the Laguna Salado South.

Preliminary approval shall not be construed to mean final approval in any way and will not extend any short term leases until final approval and an effective date for the expansion have been given.

In order to grant final approval to this proposed unit expansion, we require the following additional information;

1. Initial plan of operations
2. Ratifications of Lessees of Record and Working Interest Owners. Please submit two sets of ratifications: one set must contain original signatures.
3. A letter that identifies which tracts have been committed and which are not committed to the Unit Agreement.
4. Concurrence by the Oil and Gas Conservation Division and the BLM.

If we may be of further help, please do not hesitate to call this office at (505) 827-5746.

Very truly yours,

W. R. HUMPHRIES
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

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