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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
ATT: James S. Rutley  
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Carlsbad, NM 88220

STATE LAND OFFICE  
ATT: Niranjana Khalsa  
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RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA

OPERATOR: ADVANCE ENERGY PARTNERS HAT MESA, LLC

LEASE NAME: MERCHANT STATE UNIT #605H

PROPOSED LOCATION: U/L A Sec 35 T21S R33E 100 FNL 710 FEL

Lat. 32.442253 Long. -103.536956 NAD83

PROPOSED DEPTH: 22110' MD 11960' TVD

Gentleman:

The application for permit to drill identified above has been filed with this office of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. Pursuant to the provisions of Oil Conservation Division Order R – 111 - P, please advise this office whether the location is within an established Life-of-Mine-Reserve that are filed with and approved by your office. If not, please advise whether it is within the buffer zone established by the order.

Thank you for your assistance. Please Return as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

  
Paul Kautz

Hobbs District Geologist, District I

RESPONSE:

The above referenced location is in LMR ( 2018 year) -----Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ✓

The above referenced location is within the Buffer Zone -----Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ✓

Signed Niranjana Khalsa  
Printed Signature Niranjana Khalsa  
Representing NMSEO