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May 7, 2018

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** ATT: James S. Rutley 620 E Greene Street Carlsbad, NM 88220

STATE LAND OFFICE ATT: Stephen Wust PO BOX 1148 Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL IN POTASH AREA

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PROPOSED LOCATION: U/L L Lot 17 Sec 6 T21S R33E 2471 FSL 380 FWL

PROPOSED DEPTH: 17480' MD

Gentleman:

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

Very truly yours,

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RESONSE:

Signed

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May 3, 2018

Oil Conservation Division 1625 N. French Drive Hobbs, NM 88240

Attn: Paul Kautz

Hobbs District Geologist

RE: T21S-33E Sections 6 & 7 Lea County, New Mexico

- 1. Toque State Com 301H
- Toque State Com 502H 2.
- Toque State Com 601H 3.
- Toque State Com 401H 4.
- Toque State Com 701H 5.
- Toque State Com 201H 6.
- 7. Toque State Com 302H
- Toque State Com 503H 8.
- Toque State Com 702H 9.
- Toque State Com 303H 10.
- Toque State Com 602H 11.
- Toque State Com 202H 12.
- 13. Toque State Com 203H
- Toque State Com 402H 14.
- 15. Toque State Com 703H
- Toque State Com 704H 16. Toque State Com 304H 17.

## Dear Mr. Kautz:

Ascent Energy, LLC ("Ascent") has submitted the application for permit to drill for the seventeen above referenced Toque State Com wells (the "Wells") to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on May 3, 2018. Since the Well is located within the Designated Potash Area, Ascent has researched the Bureau of Land Management and New Mexico State Land Office records and has not located any active potash lease(s) within 1 mile of the Well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (720) 710-8923.

Kindest Regards,

Lee Zink Land Manager