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Reference:

Designation of Successor Unit Operator Querecho Plains Deep Unit Unitization Agreement No. NM71018X Lea County, New Mexico

CERTIFIED—RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED 7012 3460 0001 7403 9106

MCA Business Unit Larry Angle Chevron U.S.A. Inc. P.O. Box 2100 Houston, TX 77252

Gentlemen:

This office has received and reviewed your designation of successor unit operator in which your company has agreed to assume all rights, duties, and obligations as the unit operator of the Querecho Plains Deep Unit Eddy County, New Mexico.

As your company has obtained a nationwide \$200,000.00 BLM Bond (CA0329) and all the conditions for becoming a successor unit operator have been met to the Authorized Officer's satisfaction, Chevron U.S.A. Inc., is hereby approved as the unit operator for the Querecho Plains Deep Unit as of this date and is effective October 3, 2012.

In accordance with this approval, Chevron U.S.A. Inc. is responsible for all operations and the reporting of all production from the unit. Well signs should also reflect Chevron U.S.A. Inc. as the unit operator. Please inform all interested principles of such approval. An approved copy of this designation is enclosed.

In approving this designation, the Authorized Officer neither warrants nor certifies that the designated party has obtained all required approvals that would entitle it to conduct operations under the Querecho Plains Deep Unit Agreement.

In addition to becoming the successor unit operator, this office requests a revised Exhibit B for the subject unit within 90 days from the receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Edward G. Fernandez, Petroleum Engineer at the Division of Lands and Minerals at (575) 234-2220.

Sincerely,

George MacDonell

Associate Field Manager,

Lands and Minerals

1 Enclosure

cc:

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