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Linn Operating, Inc.  
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Attn: Mr. Austin Akers

Re: Resignation/Designation of Successor Unit Operator  
Seven Rivers Queen Unit  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Akers:

We are in receipt of your resignation/designation of successor unit operator, wherein Sand Ridge has resigned as unit operator of the Seven Rivers Queen Unit and designated Linn Energy Holdings, LLC as the successor unit operator.

The Commissioner of Public Lands has this date approved the resignation of Sand Ridge and the designation of Linn Energy Holdings, LLC as the successor unit operator of this unit. Our approval is subject to like approval by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

This change in operators is effective April 01, 2011. In accordance with this approval, Linn Energy Holdings, LLC is now responsible for all operations and the reporting of all production from this unit.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further help, please contact Pete Martinez at (505) 827-5791.

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BY:   
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