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September 16, 2016

Mr. William Carr, Senior Attorney
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RE: Request for Extension to Commence Drilling of the Viking Helmet State Com. Well No. 1H Pursuant to Division Order No. R-14054/Case No. 15373

Dear Mr. Carr:


Reference is made to your request on behalf of COG Operating, LLC ("COG") received by the Division on August 23, 2016, for the Viking Helmet State Com. Well No. 1H (API No. 30-025-42782) with a surface location in Unit A of Section 29, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, NMPM.

It is our understanding that COG still intends to drill the proposed well but is unable to meet the obligation date of September 30, 2016, included in Ordering Paragraph (4) of Order No. R-14054. COG has stated that additional time is required to compile production data from recently completed wells in the vicinity which will assist COG in determining the economic viability of the proposed location for this well.

The Division has reviewed your request and hereby extends the final date to commence the drilling of this well to September 30, 2017. All other provisions of Order No. R-14054 remain in full force and effect.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael McMillan at 505.476.3448.

Sincerely,


DAVID R. CATANACH
Director

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cc: Oil Conservation Division – Hobbs District Office
Case No. 15373
Well File API 30-025-42872