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Affidavit of Publication

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State of New Mexico,
County of Eddy, ss.

Dawn Higgins,

being first duly sworn, on oath says:

That she is Business Manager of the Carlsbad Current-Argus, a newspaper published daily at the City of Carlsbad, in said county of Eddy, state of New Mexico and of general paid circulation in said county; that the same is a duly qualified newspaper under the laws of thc State wherein legal notices and advertisements may be published; that the printed notice attached hereto was published in the regular and entire edition of said newspaper and not in supplement thereof on the date as follows, to wit:

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That the cost of publication is $ 43.46, and that payment thereof has been made and will be assessed as court costs.

Dawn Higgins

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

25 day of February, 2002

Stephanie Dobson

My commission expires 12/13/05

Notary Public

February 19, 2002

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

Bass Enterprises Production Company has applied to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste into a porous formation productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of produced water or other oil and gas waste into the Poker Lake Unit #170 (Delaware Formation). The proposed disposal well is located 35 miles southeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico in Section 33, T23S-R30E, Eddy County, New Mexico. The produced salt water will be disposed at a subsurface depth of 3851-7718'.

Any questions concerning this application should be directed to John Smitherman, Division Production manager, Bass Enterprises Production Co., P.O. Box 2760, Midland, Texas 79702- 2760, (915) 683-2277.

Interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing with the Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 within 15 days.

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